

Catechism Markings #9
Office of the Keys (Confession) (Due November 11, 2015)

Reading in Small Catechism-- pp. 224-230

Memory: 224 - "What is the Office of the Keys"; p. 225 – John 20:22-23

Challenge Memory: p. 224 – "Where is this written".

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Repentance (Seven Parts)

1. Realizes what you are doing, thinking, saying is sinful (Law: S.O.S.)
2. Feels sorry for the sin (Contrition)
3. Believes in Christ as Savior, who by His death brings forgiveness (Faith)
4. Confesses the sin to God (Confession)
5. Asks for forgiveness (Supplication)
6. Intends to turn from the sin and make amends to live a godly life (Intention)
7. Does it (Action)

(Summary of the Seven Parts of Repentance)

1. Law -- S.O.S.
2. Contrition
3. Faith
4. Confession
5. Supplication
6. Intention
7. Action

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What are the necessary fruits of TRUE repentance

1. A godly life
2. Good works

The Exercise of the Office of the Keys

gives transfers
CHRIST > to > CONGREGATION > to > PASTOR

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Steps of Excommunication

1. Talk to the sinful person alone
2. Take one or two others as witnesses
3. Tell the Church
4. If the sinner does not repent, we must excommunicate him/her.

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One who is excommunicated

1. No longer a member of the church
2. No longer may receive the Lord's Supper
3. May still attend church
4. May be a member again if he/she repents

Purpose of excommunication

1. To see the greatness of the sin

2. To lead the sinner to repentance
3. To again receive salvation
4. To prevent leading others into sin.

Vocabulary

- 1. Nunc Dimittis** – Latin for “now [let your servant] depart,” from the Song of Simeon. (Luke 2:29-32)
- 2. Offertory** – Biblical text usually sung as the offering is received at the altar.
- 3. Ordinary** – Parts of the service that remain the same from week to week, for example the Kyrie and Sanctus.
- 4. Funeral Pall** – Large that covers the casket, reminding us that we are clothed in Christ’s righteousness through Baptism. (Galatians 3:27).
- 5. Paraments** – Cloths placed on the altar, pulpit, and lectern in the color of the season of the Church Year.