## 2018 - Lent

Ash Wednesday, 2/14 <u>Sermon</u> at 11 & 7: Confession; read pages 306-313.

Wednesday, 2/21 <u>Sermon</u> at 11 & 7: The Office of the Keys; read pages 314-321.

Wednesday, 2/28 <u>Sermon</u> at 11 & 7: The Nature of the Sacrament of the Altar; read pages 322-330.

Wednesday, 3/7 <u>Sermon</u> at 11 & 7: The Benefit of the Sacrament of the Altar; read pages 331-334.

Wednesday, 3/14 <u>Sermon</u> at 11 & 7: The Power of the Sacrament of the Altar; read pages 335-337.

Wednesday, 3/21 <u>Sermon</u> at 11 & 7: How to Receive This Sacrament Worthily; read pages 338-345.

# 2018 - April

Wednesday, 4/25 Study at 11 & 7: The Lord's Prayer: The Introduction through the Third Petition; read pages 231-257.

Wednesday, 5/2 Study at 11 & 7: The Lord's Prayer: The Fourth Petition through The Conclusion; read pages 258-280.

## 2018 - May

Wednesday, 5/9 Study at 11 & 7: The Sacrament of Holy Baptism:

- Means of Grace; read pages 281-284.
- The Nature of Baptism and The Blessings of Baptism; read pages 285-296.

Tuesday, 5/15 Study at 11 & 7: The Sacrament of Holy Baptism:

- The Power of Baptism and What Baptism Indicates; read pages 297-305.
- A Short Form of Baptism to Be Used in Emergencies; read the back inside cover.

#### Wednesday, 5/23 Study at 11 & 7:

Appendix, Part 1: Who Is Jesus?; Reading God's Word; What Is Worship?; Simple Prayer; Salvation Outline; Luther's Preface; Explanation of Luther's Seal; and Books of the Bible; read pages 351-371.

#### Wednesday, 5/30 Study at 11 & 7:

Appendix, Part 2: The Time between the Testaments (432-5 BC); The Church Year; Terms Relating to Worship and God's House; Symbols and Their Meanings; and Catechism Glossary; read pages 372-398.

## Conclusion

This schedule of sermon and study is intended for ▶long-time Lutherans, ▶newer Lutherans, ▶anyone interested in growing in God's truth, and ▶anyone interested in joining Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

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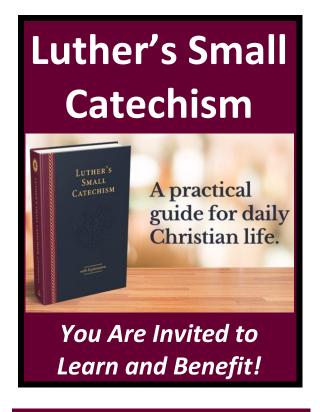
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## Introduction

Dear Friends: Since 1529, when Luther wrote his small catechism, it has been a valuable book for countless Christians.

Now, since the catechism explanation has just been recently revised, we have made plans at Bethlehem to go through the revised edition with a combination of sermons and studies. So ▶receive your copy of the new book and ▶plan to faithfully join us — as laid out in this brochure. You will ✓ be blessed and ✓ be equipped to be a blessing!

## **Overview**

By Concordia Publishing House

"Written by Martin Luther in 1529, the Small Catechism provides a brief, clear summary of God's Word on the essentials of the Christian faith. In question-and-answer format, it explores the Six Chief Parts of Christian Doctrine and includes daily prayers, a table of duties for Christians in their various callings, and a guide for Christians as they prepare to receive Holy Communion."

"An Explanation designed to help readers understand and apply Luther's Small Catechism has accompanied editions of the catechism since the early days of Lutheranism. The 2017 edition offers an updated and expanded explanation, tackling issues prevalent in our culture today. With 374 questions and 1142 Scripture references, the new explanation provides more biblical teaching and devotional aids than ever before."

## **New Features**

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 The Central Thought section guides you through simple Bible study and reflection questions.

- A Closer Reading helps you dig deeper into the wording of Luther's Small Catechism.
- Connections and Applications relate
   Scripture to important issues in today's culture.
- Psalms, hymns, and prayers combine
   Scripture and catechism study with worship for devotional use.
- Bible narrative references, expanded notes, and quotes from Martin Luther and the Confessions delve into God's Word.
- Expanded appendix provides helpful articles, reference material, and glossary to aid in personal study.

# **Sermon and Study Schedule**

◆Read in advance as noted, ◆write down your questions, AND ◆bring your book to each sermon / study!

#### **2017 – Advent**

#### Sunday, 12/3 <u>Sermon</u> at 8:00 & 10:45:

Catechism Contents, pages 7-9: Join us to receive your copy of this valuable new book and learn more about the catechism.

Wednesday, 12/6 Sermon at 11 & 7: The Apostles' Creed, Second Article (Part 1): Redemption; read pages 164-175.

Wednesday, 12/13 <u>Sermon</u> at 11 & 7: The Apostles' Creed, Second Article (Part 2): Redemption; read pages 176-187.

Wednesday, 12/20 <u>Sermon</u> at 11 & 7: The Apostles' Creed, Second Article (Part 3): Redemption; read pages 188-194.

## **2018 – January**

Wednesday, 1/3 Study at 11 & 7: Daily Prayers, Table of Duties, and Christian Questions with Their Answers; read pages 30-40 and 346-350.

Wednesday, 1/10 Study at 11 & 7: Introduction and The Ten Commandments: Commandments 1-3; read pages 43-80.

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Wednesday, 1/24 Study at 11 & 7: The Ten Commandments: Commandments 4-10 and The Close of the Commandments; read pages 81-127.

Wednesday, 1/31 Study at 11 & 7: The Apostles' Creed, First Article (Parts 1-3): Creation; read pages 128-163.

# **2018 – February**

Wednesday, 2/7 Study at 11 & 7: The Apostles' Creed, Third Article: Sanctification (Parts 1-3); read pages 195-230.