

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEMORY GUIDE

Third Grade



St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Cascade, Wisconsin

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Sunday School Memory Program

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Dear Parents,

How did you come to know about God? How does He speak to you today? Obviously, God does not physically speak to each individual with an audible voice or by visual contact. Yet, God does speak personally to each of us. He does so through His Word — the Bible. It is through His Word that we have come to know about Him and it is through His Word that we continue to learn about Him and His involvement in our lives.

God's Word gives many benefits and blessings to us, including:

1. Salvation from sin: "You were also included in Christ, when you heard the Word of truth, the Gospel of your salvation."
- *Ephesians 1:13*
2. Prevention of sin when tempted: "I have hidden Your Word in my heart that I might not sin against You." - *Psalms 119:11*
3. Guidance for our lives: "Your Word is a lamp for my feet and a light for my path." - *Psalms 119:105*

With this in mind, the following pages contain Scripture Memory verses and portions of Luther's Small Catechism. They are given with the desire to help the children gain a better understanding of the Christian faith and to encourage them in their Christian lives. Each week in Sunday School, your child will be given a memory assignment. Please help your child to learn this assignment and thus be prepared to recite the verse in class.

May God grant growth where the seed of His Word is planted!

In Jesus' Name,

Richard M. Bidinger, Pastor

How to Memorize

Suggestions to aid the student in memory assignments:

1. Be sure you know exactly what and how much you are to memorize before you begin.
2. Make an effort to understand the material that is to be memorized. Ask your teacher or parents if you need something explained to you.
3. Memorize in a quiet place, where you can concentrate on the assignment and be free of distractions.
4. Memorize short assignments as a whole.
5. Memorize long assignments by parts which have a single thought; then memorize the connections between the parts.
6. Memorize exactly. Carelessly memorized work is quickly forgotten and of little benefit.
7. Memorize in short periods of time over several days. Last minute cramming is of no value.
8. Frequently review the material you have memorized, even after you know it perfectly. This will help you to retain the material longer.
9. Let someone else test you to see if you have the material correct.

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SECTION ONE: COMPLETE BY THE FIRST SUNDAY IN DECEMBER

The Ten Commandments & their Meanings

The First Commandment:

YOU SHALL HAVE NO OTHER GODS.

What does this mean?

We should fear, love and trust in God above all things.

The Second Commandment:

YOU SHALL NOT MISUSE THE NAME OF THE LORD YOUR GOD.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie, or deceive by His Name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise and give thanks.

The Third Commandment:

REMEMBER THE SABBATH DAY BY KEEPING IT HOLY.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it.

The Fourth Commandment:

HONOR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not despise or anger our parents and other authorities, but honor them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them.

The Fifth Commandment:

YOU SHALL NOT MURDER.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not hurt or harm our neighbor in his body, but help and support him in every physical need.

The Sixth Commandment:

YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT ADULTERY.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we lead a pure and decent life in what we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other.

The Seventh Commandment:

YOU SHALL NOT STEAL.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not take our neighbor's money or possessions, or get them in any dishonest way, but help him to improve and protect his possessions and income.

The Eighth Commandment:

YOU SHALL NOT GIVE FALSE TESTIMONY AGAINST YOUR NEIGHBOR.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way.

SECTION TWO: COMPLETE BY THE FIRST SUNDAY IN MARCH

The Ninth Commandment:

YOU SHALL NOT COVET YOUR NEIGHBOR'S HOUSE.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not scheme to get our neighbor's inheritance or house, or get it in a way which only appears right, but help and be of service to him in keeping it.

The Tenth Commandment:

YOU SHALL NOT COVET YOUR NEIGHBOR'S WIFE OR HIS MANSERVANT OR MAIDSERVANT, HIS OX OR DONKEY, OR ANYTHING THAT BELONGS TO YOUR NEIGHBOR.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not entice or force away our neighbor's wife, workers, or animals, or turn them against him, but urge them to stay and do their duty.

The Conclusion:

What does God say about all these commandments?

HE SAYS, "I, THE LORD YOUR GOD, AM A JEALOUS GOD, PUNISHING THE CHILDREN FOR THE SIN OF THE FATHERS TO THE THIRD AND FOURTH GENERATION OF THOSE WHO HATE ME, BUT SHOWING LOVE TO A THOUSAND GENERATIONS OF THOSE WHO LOVE ME AND KEEP MY COMMANDMENTS." [Exodus 20:5-6]

What does this mean?

God threatens to punish all who break these commandments. Therefore, we should fear His wrath and not do anything against them.

But He promises grace and every blessing to all who keep these commandments. Therefore we should also love and trust in Him and gladly obey what He commands.

Scripture Memory Verses

Why did God give us the Law?

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For... through the law comes knowledge of sin." - *Romans 3:19-20*

Does God hold us accountable for breaking His Law if we do not know His Law?

¹⁷If anyone sins, doing any of the things that by the Lord's commandments ought not to be done, though he did not know it, then realizes his guilt, he shall bear his iniquity." - *Leviticus 5:17*

How does a Christian Use God's Law?

⁹How can a young man keep his way pure?
By guarding it according to Your Word." - *Psalms 119:9*

¹⁰⁵Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."
- *Psalms 119:105*

What is the Gospel? (Good News)

¹⁶For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life."
- *John 3:16*

[The apostle Paul wrote:] ¹⁶For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes,"
- *Romans 1:16*

How are we to love God? (1st Commandment)

³⁷And He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind."
- *Matthew 22:37*

How are we to use and not use God's Name? (2nd Commandment)

⁶I will give thanks to Your Name, O LORD, for it is good."
- *Psalms 54:6*

¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing.
My brothers, these things ought not to be so." - *James 3:10*

SECTION THREE: COMPLETE BY THE FIRST SUNDAY IN MAY

How are we to remember the Sabbath? [Day of Rest]

(3rd Commandment)

¹⁶Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly,
teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom,
singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs,
with thankfulness in your hearts to God." - *Colossians 3:16*

How do children honor their parents? (4th Commandment)

¹Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

²Honor your father and mother." - *Ephesians 6:1-2*

How are we to honor another person's life? (5th Commandment)

⁵And for your lifeblood I will require a reckoning:... From his fellow man I will require a reckoning for the life of man.

⁶Whoever sheds the blood of man,
by man shall his blood be shed,
for God made man in His Own image." - *Genesis 9:5-6*

How are a man and woman joined in marriage? (6th Commandment)

²⁴Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. - *Genesis 2:24*

How are we to regard material possessions? (7th Commandment)

⁶Now there is great gain in godliness with contentment,
⁷for we brought nothing into the world,
and we cannot take anything out of the world.

⁸But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content." - *1 Timothy 6:6-8*

How does God warn us to protect a person's good name?

(8th Commandment)

²⁵Therefore, having put away falsehood,
let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor,
for we are members one of another." - *Ephesians 4:25*

How does God encourage us to protect our neighbor's property? (9th & 10th Commandments)

⁴Delight yourself in the LORD,
and He will give you the desires of your heart." - *Psalms 37:4*

REVIEW SECTION

The Apostles' Creed

The First Article

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.

The Second Article

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit; Born of the Virgin Mary;
Suffered under Pontius Pilate; Was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
The third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven, and
Sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

The Third Article

I believe in the Holy Spirit;
The holy Christian church,
The communion of saints;
The forgiveness of sins;
The resurrection of the body; and
The life everlasting. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, Who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy Name,
Thy Kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory
Forever and ever. Amen

ADVANCED LEVEL

Luther's Morning Prayer:

I thank You, my heavenly Father,
 through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son,
 that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger;
 and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and
 every evil, that all my doings and life may please You.
 For into Your hands I commend myself,
 my body and soul, and all things.
 Let Your holy angel be with me,
 that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen

Checklist of Completed Assignments

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The Ten Commandments & Meanings

- 1st Commandment & Meaning _____
- 2nd Commandment & Meaning _____
- 3rd Commandment & Meaning _____
- 4th Commandment & Meaning _____
- 5th Commandment & Meaning _____
- 6th Commandment & Meaning _____
- 7th Commandment & Meaning _____
- 8th Commandment & Meaning _____
- 9th Commandment & Meaning _____
- 10th Commandment & Meaning _____
- Conclusion of the Commandments & Meaning _____

Scripture Memory Verses

- Romans 3:19-20 _____
- Leviticus 5:17 _____
- Psalms 119:9 _____
- Psalms 119:105 _____
- John 3:16 _____
- Romans 1:16 _____
- Matthew 22:37 _____
- Psalms 54:6 _____
- James 3:10 _____
- Colossians 3:16 _____
- Ephesians 6:1-2 _____
- Genesis 9:5-6 _____
- Genesis 2:24 _____
- 1 Timothy 6:6-8 _____
- Proverbs 19:5 _____
- Philippians 2:4 _____

Review: The Apostles' Creed

- The First Article _____
- The Second Article _____
- The Third Article _____

Advanced: Luther's Morning Prayer
