

Public School Youth

Divine Service (weekly)

Congregation at Prayer

- ◆ Prayer at home with the family using the Congregation at Prayer

Sunday School and Sunday Morning Catechesis

- ◆ Pastor introduces Bible Passage, Catechism, and Hymn for the week from the Congregation at Prayer

Learn by Heart the Catechism (six chief parts)

- ◆ At home through use of the Congregation at Prayer
- ◆ In Sunday School
- ◆ Through O.T. and N.T. Catechesis

Old and New Testament Catechesis

- ◆ Run for fourth, fifth, sixth, or seventh graders once a week, alternating years

Lutheran Catechesis (24 weeks for 90 minutes each session)

- ◆ Youth and adult catechumens are in the same class.
- ◆ At least one parent attends with each youth catechumen.
- ◆ Youth have learned by heart the six chief parts before attending Lutheran Catechesis.
- ◆ Adult Catechumens learn by heart the Primary Texts of the Catechism over the course of the 24 weeks by praying the primary texts of the Catechism at the beginning of each class session.
- ◆ Praying the primary texts at the beginning of each session helps to ground the catechumens in how these texts are used throughout the Christian life. (See page 28 and 29 of Lutheran Catechesis)
- ◆ The Goal of this combined entry level catechesis class is to focus upon establishing the central thought of each lesson around the Biblical narrative and text of the Catechism for the day.
- ◆ Not all of the material in Lutheran Catechesis is used for this class. The binder becomes an ongoing resource for the catechumen in using his Bible, Catechism, and Hymnal.