

dedication

This book is dedicated to YOU!

The homeschooling mom who sometimes takes on a little bit too much, loves her kids, and wants only the best for them.

The mom who has never tired in her endless pursuit of sound Biblical teaching to bring into her home.

And most importantly - the mom who recognizes the absolute importance of pointing her children to Christ every. single. day.

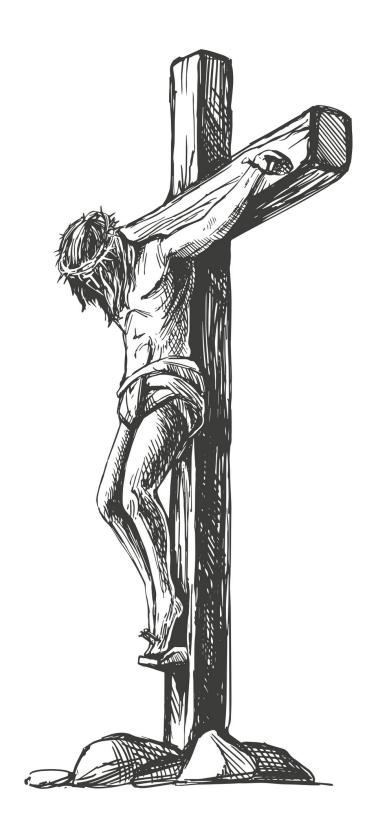
I pray that you find your rest and strength in our Lord and that this curriculum blesses you and your family.

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Let me first begin by thanking God our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for this incredible opportunity to share with you my vision of a Bible curriculum for LCMS homeschooling families.

Please allow me a minute to introduce myself. My name is Jennifer Whalen, and I am first and foremost a child of God, a wife to my wonderful husband of eight years Eric; and a mom to four incredible, adventurous little boys ages 8 and under.

I want to thank you for your purchase and encourage you in your pursuit of solid Biblical teaching in your homeschool. It's not always easy, but it is always worth it.

Take in knowing that you are not alone in your desire to teach your children truth that is based in the Word of God.

Charlotte Mason once said, "We hold that all education is divine, that every good gift of knowledge and insight comes from above."

Truly, every good gift comes from the Lord, and there is no greater gift you can give your children than teaching them the Word of God.

Welcome to Solus Christus - the first ever homeschool Bible curriculum written just for LCMS families.

Thank you for joining me on this journey as we work together to fill our vocation as parents and point our children to Christ.

Tempthe Walley

"Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is older, he will not depart." - Proverbs 22:6

Materials & Resources

Resources with a * at the end are resources that you will need no matter what track you choose to follow.

Materials Needed for the Curriculum

	Lutheran Study Bible*
	Luther's Small Catechism* and/or My First Catechism
	<u>Six-page menu covers*</u> or 3-ring binders w/sheet protectors (1 per student)
	The Story Bible
	Kids in the Divine Service*
	<u>Lutheran Catechesis: Catechumen Edition</u> (only year 2 w/red track)
	Concordia Bible History*
R	esources Included with the Curriculum Lutheranism 101 - Lessons-at-a-Glance *
	Church History Daily Lesson plans *
	Luther's Seal (color & black/white) *
	Luther's Seal (poem)
	A Poem by Martin Luther
	Morning Work Book 1 - 6 *
	Rooks of the Rible Flashcards *

Be sure to bookmark <u>www.thefaithfulhomeschool.com/more</u> for a list of additional readings for older and younger kids, and ideas on how to incorporate them into the curriculum. You can also follow me on instagram **@thefaithfulhomeschool** to see more books and resources that I use to add to my in-home lessons.

Exploring Each Subject Area

Morning-Work Books, Page-by-Page, pages 4-6

The last three pages of the morning-work books are your memory work for that six week period.

The designs on these pages are much simpler so as not to distract from the text. The text is large (or as large as possible) and easy-to-read for young children.

You may organize these in any order you like, I prefer to begin with Scripture, then the Catechism memorization, and end with the hymn.

Scripture lord is my He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the

Lord forever.





All of the hymns included are from the public domain and the text can be included in the morning-work books.

The exception to this is the hymn in the first morning-work book, God's Own Child, for which I received special permission to include.

The Catechism text is from the public domain and therefore may vary from the text with which you are most familiar.

If you would like to edit the text in order to make it match the text that is most familiar to your family I have included editable, digital versions of the Catechism pages, which you can access by clicking here.

This scope & sequence is provided as a guide for your as you prepare your children to one day leave your home and live as adults in and among the world. They will choose their own church and study the Bible and Catechism independently.

As Christian parents, our number one priority should be to point our children to Christ, and to prepare them for life outside of our home. A life where we cannot protect them and shield them from the lies that the world will tell them.

With that in mind, this scope and sequence of Biblical studies is designed to be a jumping off point to provide you with some ideas and goals as you prepare studies for your children. Once a skill has been acquired it is expected that the student is regularly reviewing their past learning For confirmation, it is assumed that your child will take confirmation classes through their home church or that you will be working closely with your LCMS pastor to guide your child through confirmation at home.

For high school level students, it is assumed that they have already been confirmed, and will begin a study of apologetics of the Christian faith.

	Foundation	Accountability	Confirmation	Apologetics
Age Range	Preschool - 2nd	3rd - 6th Grade	7th - 8th Grade	Highschool
Memory Work	By the end of 2nd grade the student should be able to: • recite the 6 chief parts of Luther's Small Catechism from memory (primary text only) • name all 66 books of the Bible • recite 3-6 core passages of Scripture	By the end of 6th grade the student should be able to: • recite the 6 chief parts of Luther's Small Catechism from memory (primary text with explanation) • name all 66 books of the Bible along with the author of each book & the category of the book (i.e. a Book of History) • recite 6-12 core passages of Scripture & Hymns	By the end of 8th grade the student should be able to: • maintain previously memorized pieces while regularly adding in new Scripture & Hymns • begin to show evidence of real life application of previously memorize pieces (i.e. singing a hymn from memory during service, reciting Psalm 25 when they are afraid, etc.)	By the end of High School grade the student should be able to: • maintain previously memorized pieces while regularly draw upon memorized pieces for real life application (i.e. singing a hymn from memory during service, reciting Psalm 23 when they are afraid, etc.)

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Age Range	Preschool - 2nd	3rd - 6th Grade	7th - 8th Grade	Highschool
Church Prep	By the end of 2nd grade the student should be able to: • follow along in the Lutheran Service Book during Divine Service with little-to-no support • recite memorized parts of the service with the congregation (i.e. The Lord's Prayer) • participate in Divine Service to the best of their ability (i.e. stand up & sit down at appropriate times)	By the end of 6th grade the student should be able to: • follow along in the Lutheran Service Book during Divine Service independently • participate in Divine Service as age appropriate • engage in meaningful conversation with family about the lesson from the service • study readings from the lesson from the lesson from the lesson from the lesson from the service • study readings from the lestionary independently & with support	By the end of 8th grade the student should be able to: • participate in Divine Service as age appropriate • engage in meaningful conversation with family about the lesson from the service • study readings from the lectionary with support • begin to discuss with family & pastors the characteristics of a Biblically sound church	By the end of 12th grade the student should be able to: • participate in Divine Service in it's entirety (including weekly communion) • engage in meaningful conversation with family about the lesson from the service • study readings from the lectionary independently independently • identify characteristics of a Biblically sound church

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Age Range	Preschool - 2nd	3rd - 6th Grade	7th - 8th Grade	Highschool
Church History & Lutheran Worship Traditions	By the end of 2nd grade the student should be able to: • share a basic understanding of who Martin Luther was and why & how he started a reformation • begin to understand about Lutheran worship traditions (i.e. what they see during Divine Service each week, colors of the church year, etc.)	By the end of 6th grade the student should be able to: • begin to demonstrate a firm understanding of the reformation and how it has impacted our church today • demonstrate a basic understanding of Lutheran worship traditions (i.e. what they see during Divine Service each week, colors of the church year, etc.)	By the end of 8th grade the student should be able to: • demonstrate a firm understanding of the reformation and how it has impacted our church today. • demonstrate a firm understanding of Lutheran worship traditions (i.e. what they see during Divine Service each week, colors of the church year, etc.)	By the end of 12th grade the student should be able to: • independently seek out opportunities to learn about the reformation and how it has impacted our church today • find unique ways to incorporate Lutheran worship traditions into their daily lives

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Age Range	Preschool - 2nd	3rd - 6th Grade	7th - 8th Grade	Highschool
Theology	By the end of 2nd grade the student should be able to: • demonstrate a basic understanding of who God is • demonstrate a basic understanding of who we are (in relation to God), that we are all sinners, and all in need of God's mercy & salvation share a basic understanding of their baptism (i.e. that baptism saves, etc.)	By the end of 6th grade the student should be able to: • begin to understand proper exegesis when reading the Bible and how they point us to Christ read & reflect on Scripture with support	By the end of 8th grade the student should be able to: demonstrate proper exegesis when reading the Bible and how they point us to Christ read & reflect on Scripture independently and then share with parents share with others in a simple way what they believe & why, & support it with Scripture	By the end of 12th grade the student should be able to: • compare and contrast the difference between what they believe and what other religions believe identify incorrect teachings based on Scripture within their own faith • demonstrate a basic ability to share what they believe and defend their faith (apologetics)

MEMORY WORK-AT-A-GLANCE

Memory for Year 1

Trimester I, Weeks 7-12

Trimester 1, Weeks 1-6 Scripture: Psalm 23 Hymn: God's Own Child

Catechism: The Ten Commandments (primary text only)

Trimester 2, Weeks 7-12

Scripture: Luke 2:1-14 Hymn: What Child is This? Catechism: Baptism (primary text only)

Scripture: Matthew 5:1-12 Hymn: What a Friend We Have in Jesus Catechism: The Apostle's Creed (primary text only)

Trimester 3, Weeks 1-6

Scripture: John 3:12–21 Hymn: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross Catechism: Confession

(primary text only)

Memory for Year 2

Trimester I, Weeks 7-12

Trimester I, Weeks 1-6

Scripture: John 1:1-18

Hymn: Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying Catechism: The Ten Commandments

(with explanation)

Trimester 2, Weeks 7-12

Scripture: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 Hymn: Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee Catechism: Baptism

(with explanation)

Scripture: Lamentations 3:21-33
Hymn: Why Should Cross & Trial Grieve Me
Catechism: The Apostle's Creed
(with explanation)
Trimester 3, Weeks 1-6

Irimester 3, Weeks I-b Scripture: Romans 8:1-11

Hymn: Jesus, Refuge of the Weary Catechism: Confession

(with explanation)

Trimester 2, Weeks 1-6

Scripture: Luke 1:67-79 Hymn: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Catechism: The Lord's Prayer

(primary text only)

Trimester 3, Weeks 7-12

Scripture: Ephesians 2:1-10 Hymn: Jesus Christ is Risen Today Catechism: The Sacraments of the Altar

(primary text only)

Trimester 2, Weeks 1-6 Scripture: Psalm 8

Hymn: Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring Catechism: The Lord's Prayer

(with explanation)

Trimester 3, Weeks 7-12

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 13

Hymn: I am Content, My Jesus Ever Lives Catechism: The Sacraments of the Altar

(with explanation)

Church History

Lesson 3

Materials Needed:

Computer with internet access Who Was Martin Luther? (digital or printed copy)

Print out of Poems (included)

Red Track: Feelings come and feelings go.... by Martin Luther

Blue Track: Luther's Rose by Lauren Sommerer All supplies needed for your project

Lesson:

Read over student's chosen poems two times.

Read aloud the article "Who Was Martin Luther?" and discuss the article together: why was Martin Luther's resolve that we can never do enough to earn God's grace so important?

Continue working on your unit study project of your choice.

Lesson 4

Materials Needed:

Martin Luther: The Man Who Changed the World (book)

Print out of Poems (included)

Red Track: Feelings come and feelings go.... by Martin

Luther

Blue Track: Luther's Rose by Lauren Sommerer All supplies needed for your project

Lesson:

Read over student's chosen poems two times.

Begin reading the book Martin Luther: The Man Who Changed the World, try to read roughly half of the book.

Continue working on your unit study project of your choice.

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CATECHISM	LSC: p.11-12 lst & 2nd commandments	LSC: p. 12 3rd & 4th commandments	LSC: p. 13 5th-6th commandments	LSC: p. 13 7th commandment	LUTHERANISM 101 K.I.D.S
STUDY	OR	0	OR	0 R	• p. 80 & 41 • p. 81 & 43
	MFC: p.7 + Ex. 19:17-20:17	MFC: p.8-9	MFC: p.10-11	MFC: p.12-13	• p. 82 & 47 • p. 84 & 46
MEMORY WORK	SCRIPTURE (review 2x)	HYMN (review 2x)	CATECHISM (review 2x)	BOOKS OF THE BIBLE	YITIWI
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RELIGIOUS	1st reading for the week:	Genesis 4	2nd reading for the week:	Genesis 6-9:17	3rd reading for the week:
STUDIES		OR		OR	
		The Story Bible p.33-35		The Story Bible p.36-42	<u>8</u> 2 2 2
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CATECHISM	LSC: p.13 8th commandment	LSC: p.13 9th commandment	LSC: p.13-14 10th commandment	LSC: p.14 Closure of commandments	LUTHERANISM 101 K.I.D.S
Y O O I S	OR	OR	OR	OR	• p. 88 & 50 • p. 90 & 51
	MFC: p.14-15	MFC: p.16-17	MFC: p.18-19	MFC: p.20-21	• p. 91 & 52 • p. 92 & 42
MEMORY WORK	SCRIPTURE (review 2x)	HYMN (review 2x)	CATECHISM (review 2x)	BOOKS OF THE BIBLE	VITIW2
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	LSC: p.15-16 The First Article	LSC: p.16-17 The Second Article	LSC: p.17 The Third Article	catch-up or review	LUTHERANISM 101 K.I.D.S
STUDY	OR	OR	OR	OR	• p. 95 & 96
	MFC: p.22-23	MFC: p.24-25	MFC: p.26-27	MFC: p.28-29	• p. 45 & 48 • p. 79 & 44
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Scripture: Luke 2:1-14 Hymn: What Child is This Catechism: The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Morning Work

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.

A Christmas Prayer

Almighty God, grant that we who are are bathed in the new light of your incarnate Word may reflect the faith that shines in our hearts in all we do; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen



pray Checklist
_ read
_ create or play
serve
_ rest

Daily Expectations

Do all of your work to the glory of God.

"Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men." Colossians 3:23

What does this mean?

I will complete my chores, school work, and all tasks with a good attitude and to the best of my ability making the most of the gifts that God has given me.

I will obey my parents the first time.

"Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord." Colossians 3:20

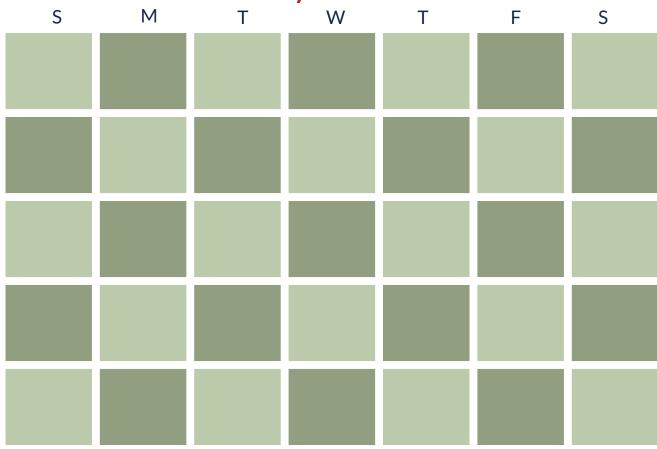
What does this mean?

complaint.

God has placed my parents over me to guide me in His holy ways, therefore I will listen and comply without



Monthly Calendar



What month is it?

January February

March April

May June

July August September October

November December





from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration when Quirinius was governor of Syria. And all went to be registered, each to his own town. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

"GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST AND ON EARTH, PEACE AMONG THOSE WITH WHOM HE IS PLEASED!"

Luke 2:1-14

THE SACRAMENTS OF HOLY BAPTISM

First.

What is Baptism?

Answer: Baptism is not simple water only, but it is the water comprehended in God's command and connected with God's Word.

Which is that word of God?

Answer: Christ, our Lord, says in the last chapter of Matthew: Go ye into all the world and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

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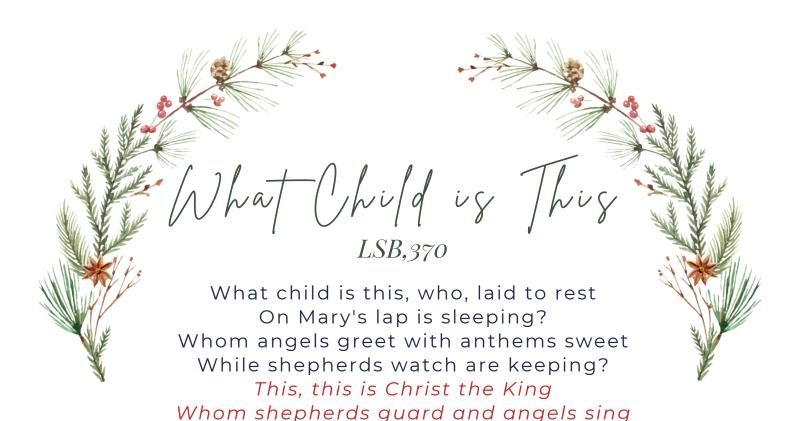
What does Baptism give or profit?

Answer: It works forgiveness of sins, delivers from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare.

Which are such words and promises of God? Answer: Christ, our Lord, says in the last chapter of Mark: He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.



How can water do such great things?
Answer: It is not the water indeed that does them, but the word of God which is in and with the water, and faith, which trusts such word of God in the water



Why lies He in such mean estate
Where ox and donkeys are feeding?
Good Christians, fear, for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading
Nails, spears shall pierce him through
the cross he bore for me, for you
Hail, hail the Word made flesh
the Babe, the Son of Mary

Haste, haste to bring Him laud The babe, the son of Mary

So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh
Come, peasant, king, to own him
The King of kings salvation brings
Let loving hearts enthrone him
Raise, raise a song on high
The virgin sings her lullaby
Joy, joy for Christ is born
The babe, the Son of Mary



Book of Moses

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Moses

Exodus

Book of Moses

Author:

Moses

1 Chronicles

Book of History

Author:

unknown

Book of History

Author:

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2 Chronicles

A Gospel

Author:

John Mark

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