



June  
Week 1

Personal and Family Devotions • Small Groups • Church meetings

## 1 Invocation

*Make the sign of the cross and say:*  
In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

## 2 Psalm

Rejoice in Yahweh, you righteous;  
**praise is appropriate for the upright.**  
For Yahweh's word is upright,  
**and everything he does is fair.**  
He loves righteousness and justice.  
**The earth is full of Yahweh's covenant faithfulness.**  
By the word of Yahweh the heavens were made,  
**and all the stars were made by the breath of his mouth.**  
For he spoke, and it was done;  
**he commanded, and it stood in place.**  
Yahweh frustrates the alliances of nations;  
**he overrules the plans of the peoples.**  
The plans of Yahweh stand forever,  
**the plans of his heart for all generations.**  
Let your covenant faithfulness, Yahweh, be with us  
**as we put our hope in you.**

*Psalm 33:1, 4-6, 9-11, 22*

Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
**and to the Holy Spirit.**  
As it was in the beginning  
**is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

## 3 Hymns

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee (page 5)  
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow  
(page 6)  
We All Believe in One True God (page 7)

## 4 Lessons



### BIBLE BOOKS

OT Law Books

### Genesis

*Summary Statement*

**The beginning of our problem of sin and God's plan of salvation**

*Outline*

**I. Foundations of the Human Race (1-11)**

**II. Forefathers of the Hebrew Race (12-50)**

*Key Verses*

**1:27; 3:15; 15:6; 49:10; 50:20**

*Daily Readings*

<b>Su</b>	Gen 2:4-25	Gen 8:13-22
<b>Mo</b>	Gen 9:8-17	Gen 11:1-9
<b>Tu</b>	Gen 12:9-13:1	Gen 16:3-13
<b>We</b>	Gen 17:1-8	Gen 19:1-16, 23-26
<b>Th</b>	Gen 21:1-21	Gen 25:19-28
<b>Fr</b>	Gen 32:22-32	Gen 40:9-15, 20-23
<b>Sa</b>	Gen 42:6-17	Gen 50:15-26



## BIBLE EVENTS

Beginning Era

### Genesis 1:1—2:3 ★

Creation



- Who was moving above the surface of the waters prior to creation? (1:2)
- How did God create the light? (1:3)
- How did God create the animals? (1:24)
- How did God create man in a special way, different from the other animals? (1:27)
- What did God do on the seventh day? (2:2)

### Genesis 3:1-24 ★

The First Sin



- What animal spoke to the woman about eating from the forbidden tree? (3:1)
- When the man and woman realized their nakedness, what did they sew together to cover themselves? (3:7)
- What did God say the seed of the woman would do to the serpent? (3:15)
- What kind of garments did God make for the man and woman? (3:21)

Events labeled with a star (★) are appropriate for disciples of all ages. Other events may contain more mature content.

### Genesis 4:1-16

Cain and Abel



- As Cain and Abel offered their sacrifices, which one did God not accept? (4:5)
- What did Cain do to his brother Abel? (4:8)
- What was Cain's response when God asked him about his brother's whereabouts? (4:9)
- What did God put on Cain to protect his life? (4:15)

### Genesis 6:9—7:24

The Flood



- What were the names of Noah's sons? (6:10)
- Why did God decide to put an end to all flesh? (6:13)
- What did God command Noah to make from cypress wood? (6:14)
- How many of every living creature was Noah to bring into the ark? (6:19)
- How long did the rain fall on the earth? (7:12)

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## BIBLE TEACHINGS

### The Creed, First Article

Younger disciples should focus on the content in the yellow box from Martin Luther's Small Catechism.

#### First Article: Of Creation

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

##### *What does this mean?*

I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my limbs, my reason, and all my senses, and still preserves them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and property, wife and children, fields, animals, and everything I own. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life, protects me from all danger, and guards me and preserves me from all evil. He does all this out of pure, fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all of this I owe it to Him to thank, praise, serve, and obey Him. This is most certainly true.

## Creeds

#### **57. What is a creed?**

*A statement of faith*

#### **58. What are the three historic creeds of the Christian faith?**

- A. The Apostles' Creed
- B. The Nicene Creed
- C. The Athanasian Creed

#### **59. Why do we begin the Creed with "I believe"?**

*Because each individual person must believe for him or herself*

*Habakkuk 2:4; Luke 7:50*

#### **60. What does it mean to believe in God?**

- A. Know who God is
- B. Trust in God's promises

*A – Psalm 31:14; B – Psalm 37:5; Hebrews 11:1*

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## 5 Creed

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

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.

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.

## 6 Prayers

*Pray for your family and friends, your church, your community, your nation, your world, and your own personal needs. As you C.H.A.T. with God, remember to Confess your sins, Honor and praise God, Ask Him your requests, and Thank Him for His blessings.*



Almighty and everlasting God, You govern all things in heaven and earth. Mercifully hear the prayers of Your people, and grant us Your peace all the days of our life. Lord, in Your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**



You hate nothing that You have made and You forgive the sins of all those who are penitent. Create and make in us new and contrite hearts that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain from You, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness. Lord, in Your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**



By Your grace alone we are called into Your kingdom, to confess the true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the true Unity. We ask that You would keep us steadfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities. Lord, in Your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

## 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.

## 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 all evil, that all my actions 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.

OR

## Luther's Evening Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. 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.

## 7 Blessing

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you. (2 Corinthians 13:14) **Amen.**

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# Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee



1. Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!  
 2. All Thy works with joy sur - round Thee, Earth and heav'n re - flect Thy rays,  
 3. Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, Ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore Thee, Prais - ing Thee, their sun a - bove.  
 Stars and an - gels sing a - round Thee, Cen - ter of un - brok - en praise.  
 Well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, O - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



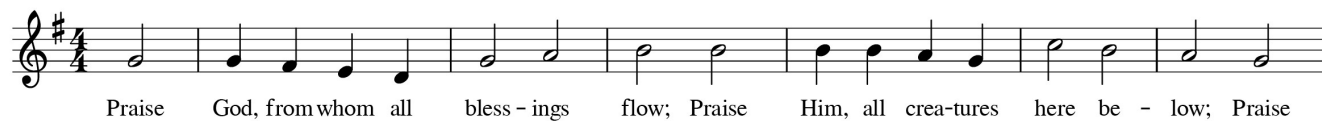
Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, Drive the gloom of doubt a - way.  
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, Flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,  
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, Foun - tain - head of love di - vine:



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, Fill us with the light of day.  
 Chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain Call us to re - joice in Thee.  
 Joy - ful, we Thy heav'n in - her - it! Joy - ful, we by grace are Thine!



## Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow





## We All Believe in One True God



1. We all be - lieve in one true God, Fa - ther, Son, and  
2. We all be - lieve in Je - sus Christ, Son of God and  
3. We all con - fess the Ho - ly Ghost, Who from both in



Ho - ly Ghost, Ev - er - pres - ent help in need, Praised by all the heav'n - ly host;  
Mar - y's son, Who de - scend - ed from His throne And for us sal - va - tion won;  
truth pro - ceeds, Who sus - tains and com - forts us In all tri - als, fears, and needs.



All He made His love en - folds, All cre - a - tion He up - holds.  
By whose cross and death are we Res - cued from all mis - er - y.  
Bless - ed, ho - ly Trin - i - ty, Praise for - ev - er be to Thee!