



To know Christ and to make his love known in our homes, communities, nation and world.
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Christ Alone Lutheran School Religion Curriculum Guide (6-13-16)

General Overview and Rationale:

Through God's Word each individual child is brought to realize:

I. Our Sinful Condition...

- A. Adam and Eve were created in the image of God: perfect and holy.
- B. All became sinners deserving eternal damnation and cannot save themselves.

II. The Grace of God...

- A. God has established salvation for all.
 - 1. God loves the undeserving sinner and wants all to be saved.
 - 2. God the Father accomplished salvation by sending His Son Jesus Christ to atone for all sins.
 - 3. Christ redeemed the world from sin, death, and hell by His obedient life and innocent death.
 - 4. God the Holy Spirit works saving faith in the heart of all believers.

III. The Response of a Christian...

- A. Christians recognize themselves as children of God.
- B. Christians grow in faith through the regular use of the Word and Sacrament.
- C. Christians gladly serve Christ and the church.
- D. Christians conform to the law of God out of faith and love for Christ.
- E. Christians turn daily to God in prayer.
- F. Christians witness for Christ in their daily lives.

I. CATECHISM

A. GENERAL OBJECTIVES

1. To impart knowledge of the chief truths of God's Word.
2. To reinforce the students in their Christian convictions and attitudes.
3. To lead the students to live a God-pleasing life, which is the fruit of faith.
4. To strengthen and keep them in this faith until their end.

B. SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES AND EXIT GOALS

1. To study systematically the basic Christian Doctrines as outlined in Luther's Small Catechism.
2. To memorize and understand the six chief parts of Luther's Small Catechism.
3. To learn and understand the table of duties.
4. To memorize and understand selected Bible passages.
5. To know the meaning of a selected vocabulary considered for understanding Christian Doctrine.
6. To be able to apply this knowledge of Christian truths and doctrines in everyday life.

II. BIBLE HISTORY

A. GENERAL OBJECTIVES

1. To lead the children to know God as their Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier.
2. To lead the children to know the Law, which shows them by nature they are sinners deserving eternal damnation.
3. To lead the children to know the Gospel, which shows them that Jesus is their only Savior.
4. To lead the children to grow in their faith through the study of God's Word.
5. To lead the children to live God-pleasing lives.

B. SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES AND EXIT GOALS

1. To show the guiding hand of God in the lives of individuals and nations.
2. To teach the doctrines of the Bible.
3. To teach bible history from creation to the end times.
4. To teach the books of the Bible and how they are arranged.
5. To familiarize the children with the life and customs of the people of Bible times.
6. To familiarize the pupils with the geography of the Bible lands.
7. To help children apply biblical truths to real-life situations.

Course of Study (Christ-Light as purchased through NPH)

PreK - NT & OT 48 Lesson Books - Selected Bible Accounts

K - NT & OT Lessons – (selected NT and OT lessons each year)

Gr 1 - NT & OT Lessons – (alternating OT one year and NT the next)

Gr 2 - NT & OT Lessons – (alternating OT one year and NT the next)

Gr 3 - NT & OT Lessons – (alternating OT one year and NT the next)

Gr 4 - NT & OT Lessons – (alternating OT one year and NT the next)

Gr 5 - NT & OT Lessons – (alternating OT one year and NT the next)

Blue Catechism Lessons (Kuske)

Gr 6 - NT & OT Lessons – (alternating OT one year and NT the next)

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Gr 7 - Bible History Class – Topical lessons (4 of the 8 each year)

Bible Studies led by teacher (Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi,
Intertestamental History, and Reformation History)

Gr 8 - Bible History Class - Topical lessons (4 of the 8 each year)

Bible Studies led by teacher (Revelation and Reformation History)

III. HYMNOLOGY

A. GENERAL OBJECTIVES

To learn that hymns and chorales from Christian Worship are an expression of God's Word.

B. SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES AND EXIT GOALS

1. To familiarize the child with the historical background of hymns.
2. To lead the child to understand the Scriptural truths expressed in the hymns.
3. To foster an appreciation for a more meaningful use of the musical heritage of our Lutheran church.
4. To have the child memorize selected hymns.
5. To help the child sing numerous hymns with confidence and conviction.
6. To afford a ready source of comfort, hope, and strength to the child in the trials of life, especially in the hour of death.

IV. CONFIRMATION INSTRUCTION CLASS

A. GENERAL OBJECTIVES

To achieve the objectives listed below, we will make use of:

1. Encouraging “hands on” investigation and application of the truths of Scripture.
2. Memorization of key Bible passages and the six chief parts of the Catechism in order to develop a storehouse of knowledge for the student.
3. Supplemental materials and Bible studies to guide the students in their learning and retention, as well as application of Scriptural truths to everyday life.

B. SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES AND EXIT GOALS

1. To give students knowledge of the basic teachings of Christianity, as they are clearly taught and presented, as God reveals them, in the Holy Scriptures.
2. To teach students the Lutheran faith, using Luther's Small Catechism as a study guide.
3. To prepare students for reception of the Lord's Supper and responsible church membership.
4. To give students an overview of church history, emphasizing how God's plan of salvation unfolded to the person of Jesus Christ and how the church through the age has proclaimed the good news and shared its faith.
5. To help students apply their faith to real life situations.
6. To develop in students, skills to study and learn the Holy Scriptures in order to make them a part of their daily lives.