

CATECHESIS (cat-uh-key-sis)

is the term the Church uses to talk about instruction in the life and faith of the Church.

While catechesis is important for children and young people, it is equally important that adults seize every possible opportunity to grow in the understanding of their faith.

This brochure outlines various opportunities for adults to study, learn, and grow during the 2011-2012 year.

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 Lutheran Church
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Catechesis

Adult Education Schedule
Sunday Mornings 2011-2012

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Adult Education Offerings 2011-2012

SEPTEMBER, 2011 FORUMS

Sundays at 9:30 am

September 11; Sunday School Open House & Breakfast! For members and guests of all ages!

September 18; Good Shepherd Finances and Endowments – An Update

September 25; Youth News - Summer Trip, ELCA Gathering

October 2; TBD

MICHAELMAS TERM

Sundays at 9:30 am

(October 9 - November 13, 2011)

October 9 - October 30; Inquirer's Class – This class is taught by Pastor Russell and is designed for those who want to learn more about Lutheran Christianity and specifically how that is lived out at Good Shepherd.

October 9 - November 13; Personal Well-Being – A Check Up – Martin Luther said, “This life, therefore, is not godliness but the process of becoming godly, not healthy but getting well, not being but becoming, not rest but exercise. We are not now what we shall be, but we are on the way.” Participants in this class will be invited to consider how they are doing with that process of “getting well” by examining six key aspects of well-being: Social/Interpersonal, Emotional, Physical, Vocational, Intellectual, and Spiritual well-being. The leadership team for this course will include Malinda Clatterbuck, Mark Clatterbuck, Nan Cook, Tom Karge, and Pastor Russell.

November 20; Semi-Annual Congregation Meeting
(No Adult Sunday School)

ADVENT TERM

Sundays at 9:30 am

(November 27 - December 18, 2011)

November 27 - December 18; Home for the Holidays – Family Systems Theory and You – The Rev'd Jim Hanna, Founding Director of the Samaritan Counseling Center of Lancaster, will introduce *Family Systems Theory*, a way of understanding the interconnectedness of individuals within a system. Pastor Hanna will help us examine some Biblical families, consider our own family of origin, and apply systems thinking to our Church “Family.”

(No Sunday School December 25 and January 1)

JANUARY, 2012 FORUMS

Sundays at 9:30 am

January 8; Intergenerational Event for Epiphany
All ages are invited to help us bless the new year.

January 15; Child Safety – What We Can Do to Protect Our Kids – Be educated parents and community members; help educate our kids.

January 22; Sustainability 101 – Garrett Book will share simple lifestyle adjustments each of us can make to help the planet.

EPIPHANY TERM

Sundays at 9:30 am

(January 29 - February 19, 2012)

January 29 - March 25; Listening for God, Volume 2
Back by popular demand, Evelyn Devonshire again explores contemporary literature in an attempt to engage issues related to our own attempts to live faithful lives, reflecting on the situation of others to help us better understand our own situations.

January 29 - February 19; Inquirer's Class – See the description of this course in the Michaelmas Term.

LENT TERM

Sundays at 9:30 am

February 26 - April 1, 2012; Listening for God, Volume 2 continues

April 1; Palm Sunday – A look at the texts for Holy Week

April 8; Easter Day – Easter breakfast and egg hunt

EASTER TERM

Sundays at 9:30 am

(April 15 - May 20, 2012)

April 15 - May 20 (except April 29*); Faith Practices in the Home – Malinda Clatterbuck, our Director of Family Ministries, and Nan Cook, our Parish Visitor, help us to explore devotional practices for individuals and families. Come to learn and experience, and discover a form of prayer that will enrich your daily life.

May 6 - May 27; Inquirer's Class – See the description of this course in the Michaelmas Term.

***April 29; Good Shepherd Sunday** – Combined worship service at 10 am and Congregational Meeting at 11:15. *(No Sunday School)*

THANK GOD IT'S MONDAY (TGIM)

In addition to adult education opportunities Sunday mornings, classes are offered certain Monday nights of the year as well. This year three classes are planned:

October 17 - November 14, 2011 (except October 31); Being Church in a Changing World

January 16 - 30, 2012; Shifting Sands: Changes in the Middle East

February 27 - March 26, 2012; The Lenten Works of Johann Sebastian Bach

See the TGIM brochure for more details.