

Responsive Prayer for Catechesis

L. Holy God, holy and most gracious Father,
C. have mercy and hear us.

1. The Ten Commandments Preach Repentance

You shall have no other gods.
You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.
Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.
Honor your father and your mother.
You shall not murder.
You shall not commit adultery.
You shall not steal.
You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.
You shall not covet your neighbor's house.
You shall not covet your neighbor's wife,
or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey,
or anything that belongs to your neighbor.
He says: "I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God,
punishing the children for the sin of the fathers
to the third and fourth generation of those who hate Me,
but showing love to a thousand generations
of those who love Me and keep My commandments."

2. The Apostles' Creed Preaches the Faith

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.

3. The Lord's Prayer Preaches the Holy Life

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.



Psalm 1

**Blessed is the man who med-i-tates day and night
in the law of the Lord,**

¹Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the
ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sin-ners,

Nor sits in the seat of the scorn-ful;

²But his delight is in the law of the Lord,

And in His law he med-i-tates day and night.

³He shall be like a tree planted by the riv-ers of wa-ter,
That brings forth its fruit in its season, Whose leaf
also shall not wither; And whatever he does shall
pros-per.

⁴The un-god-ly are not so,

But are like the chaff which the wind drives a-way.

⁵Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment,
Nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

⁶For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,
But the way of the ungodly shall perish.

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.

Blessed is the man who meditates day and night
in the law of the Lord,

L. The Lord be with you.

C. And with your spirit.

L. Let us pray.

Various petitions based on the reading just expounded.

--*Confession of our sins and sinfulness.*

--*Requests for things that we now know we need.*

--*Praise and Thanksgiving for who God is and what He has done.*

--*The final petition*

O EVERLASTING God and Father of our Lord, Jesus Christ,
grant me Thy grace that I may study the Holy Scriptures
diligently, and, with my whole heart, seek and find Christ therein
and through Him obtain everlasting life; through the Same Jesus
Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who livest and reignest with the Father
and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

[“Before Reading Holy Scripture,” *Oremus*, p. 27]

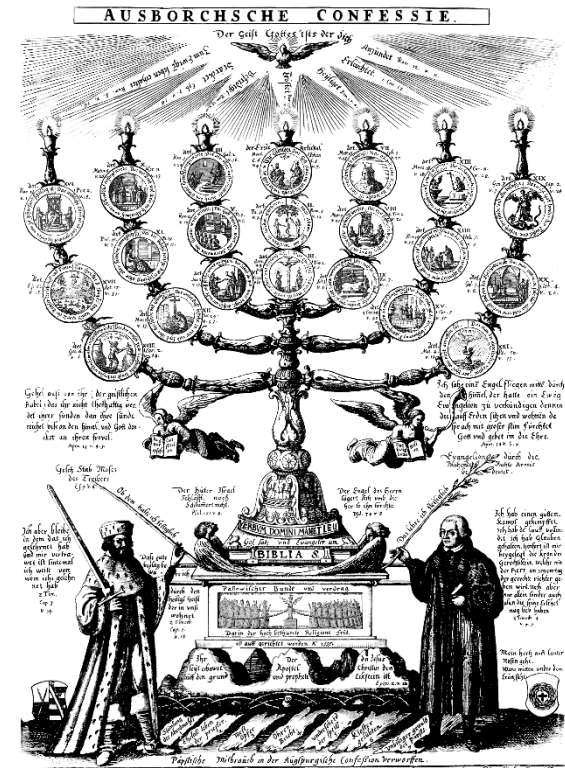
L. Let us bless the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

L. The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to
everlasting life.

C. Amen.

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“Augsburg Confession” is by Wenceslaus Hollar (1607-1677)
The Elector of Saxony stands on the left while Dr. Martin Luther stands on the right. Between them is a large chest(ark) with pole handles decorated with the design of the Bund of Passau. There is a Bible on top of the large chest. Upon the Bible is a large seven-branched candlestick, with each branch bearing three roundels of Biblical scenes. A dove hovers above the scene while two angels hover beneath the branches on each side. There are German inscriptions scattered over the design.

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