

PASTOR'S AWARD

*"Study to show yourselves approved unto God,
a workman who does not need to be ashamed."
2 Timothy 2:15*

We are issuing a challenge to the children and youth of Christ the King to be outstanding students of God's Word! We would like to make sure that our young people know the basic tenets of Christianity and the teachings that set us apart as Lutheran Christians. With this goal in mind, our Pastors will be offering special prizes and recognition for all those who demonstrate their motivation and readiness to learn.

We are calling this challenge "Pastor's Award." Fellow pastors and Lutheran Elementary school teachers have verified the age-appropriateness and "do-ability" of these goals. Children and youth will receive various rewards when they demonstrate knowledge of all the designated items for their grade. The youth have all year (Sunday School year, September to May) to memorize all the items listed for their grade level. This is a cumulative affair and each grade builds upon the material from the levels below it. The goal for this kind of structure is that when our youth reach the conclusion of 6th grade Sunday School, they are well-prepared and equipped for Confirmation. This will not be some "flash in the pan" effort that will be here today and gone tomorrow. We intend to set forth this challenge each and every year for the indefinite future. The curriculum will not change, so what your child learns this year will serve them in good stead next year.

No one is required to learn these things for Sunday School. We hope, however, that this will serve as an effective tool in assisting parents in raising their children up in the faith. We also anticipate that the Sunday School teachers will help the children and youth reach their goals. Indeed many teachers, parents, and students have already requested an "advanced track" because they want to excel in this challenge.

Children and youth will demonstrate mastery of each item on their list to one of our Pastors. Several times a year, those who have recently demonstrated that they have learned the required material will be honored during the Sunday morning service. Each will receive a certificate from Pastor recognizing their achievement plus some really cool prizes. We hope that all parents and teachers will support this worthwhile effort and that all of our students participate and enjoy this neat way of growing in their faith.

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Pastor Mark Goble*

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Pre-K	Lord's Prayer	
Kindergarten	The Lord's Prayer	John 3:16-17
Grade 1	The Lord's Prayer John 3:16-17	Ephesians 2:8-10
Grade 2	The Lord's Prayer John 3:16-17 Psalm 23	Ephesians 2:8-10 Ten Commandments

★ Grade 3

The Lord's Prayer
John 3:16-17
Ephesians 2:8-10
Ten Commandments
Psalm 23
Apostles' Creed

★ Grade 4

The Lord's Prayer
John 3:16-17
Ephesians 2:8-10
Ten Commandments
Psalm 23
Apostles' Creed
Books of the New Testament
The Greatest Command (Matthew 22:37-39)

★ Grade 5

The Lord's Prayer
John 3:16-17
Ephesians 2:8-10
Ten Commandments
Psalm 23
Apostles' Creed
Books of the New Testament
Books of the Old Testament
The Greatest Command (Matthew 22:37-39)
2 Questions about the Sacrament of Holy Baptism

★ Grade 6

The Lord's Prayer
John 3:16-17
Ephesians 2:8-10
Ten Commandments
Psalm 23
Apostles' Creed
Books of the New Testament
Books of the Old Testament
The Greatest Command (Matthew 22:37-39)
2 Questions about the Sacrament of Holy Baptism
2 Questions about the Sacrament of the Altar
The Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20)

1 Timothy 4: 11,15 Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity... Be diligent in these matters; give yourself wholly to them, so that everyone may see your progress.