## Friday — Activity

Decode the Scripture verse.



#### Luke 24:5b-6a ESV





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# Lambs at Pasture

The Resurrection of Our Lord

2017

#### Introit

Psalm 8:1, 5-6, 9; antiphon: Luke 24:5b-6b

He is risen! Alleluia!

Why do you seek the living among the dead? Alleluia!

Remember how he told you, Alleluia,

that the Son of Man must be crucified and on the third day rise. Alleluia!

O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens.

Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor.

You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet.

O LORD, our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

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.

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# Daily Readings & Discussion Questions

An answer key is available for download at www.stluth.org/lap

# MEMORY VERSE

1 Corinthians 5:7b-8a, c

Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Let us therefore celebrate the festival with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

HYMN OF THE WEEK: LSB #457 – Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

CATECHISM CONNECTION: The Second Article of the Creed with Explanation

#### COLLECT OF THE WEEK

O God, for our redemption You gave Your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross and by His glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of the enemy. Grant that all our sin may be drowned through daily repentance and that day by day we may arise to live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

**Propitiation** is the act of assuming guilt and punishment for someone else (you did not commit the crime, but take the punishment as if you had). Jesus Christ is the propitiation of our sins. He assumed our guilty verdict and punishment for our sins when He died on the cross. Jesus did/does not commit sin, He is the only One who can hold the Law perfectly. It is through His death that we are sanctified.

**Sanctification** is the process of becoming holy, that is, spiritual growth which follows justification. We are justified through Jesus' death on the cross. By believing—having faith that Jesus paid the price for our sins, we are led to lead holy lives.

## MONDAY — THE PSALM

Read Psalm 118:15-29

Who is the rejected stone that becomes the cornerstone?

Jesus Christ — This was accomplished by Jesus being betrayed and turned over to  $\frac{1}{2}$  His enemies (rejected), crucified, and put to death. His death on the cross is for our salvation, making  $\frac{1}{2}$  Him the cornerstone.

## TUESDAY — THE OLD TESTAMENT

Read Job 19:23-27

What is the significance of Job wanting his confession of faith recorded? (verses 23–24)

Job wanted his words inscribed on a scroll with an iron pen or lead (possibly chiseled onto stone or a rock); it cannot be erased, but preserved for future generations.

What does verse 25 mean?

"Redeemer lives and at the last He will stand upon the earth" — God will always be there, genuinely desiring each one of us to be with Him eternally in heaven. On the last day, God will judge His believers as innocent because Jesus died for the propitiation (atonement) of our sins.

What does verse 26 mean?

"And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see  $\operatorname{God}^{\text{\tiny M}}$  — After we die, it is not the end. We believers will be with God eternally, in heaven as spirit, on the new earth in glorified bodies.

Review Luther's Small Catechism with Explanation, question 187 (page 169)

# Wednesday — The Gospel

Read Mark 16:1-8

Who went to the tomb to anoint Jesus?

Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome

What did the women find when they arrived at the tomb?

The large stone covering the entrance to the tomb had been rolled away. Upon entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; He is not here."

# THURSDAY — THE EPISTLE

Read 1 Corinthians 5:6-8

What is leavened dough?

"Leavened dough is a dough made from flour and water, similar to sweet dough, yet bitter and sour. It generally refers to all doctrines taken hold of by a man and by which his life is changed, either for good or for bad. Christ uses good leavened dough as a term for His Holy Gospel. ... Bad leavened dough He uses as a term for the doctrines of men and for hypocrisy." (Spangenberg, The Christian Year of Grace, pages 155–156)

Review Luther's Small Catechism with Explanation, question 283 (page 230) and question 293 (pages 235–236)

# Optional Reading & Discussion Question

Read 1 Corinthians 15:51-57

What happens to us on the last day?

For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immorality. (verses 52-53)

The bodies of the believers will be raised from the dead and given glorified bodies.

Review Luther's Small Catechism with Explanation, question 123 (pages 126–127), question 136 (page 135) and question 190 (pages 170–171)

## CATECHISM CONNECTION

What is the connection of the Second Article of the Creed with Explanation and the Resurrection of Our Lord?

The Second Article of the Creed recounts the redemption Christ worked for our salvation.