

Bring Each Week

- Your Bible
- Small Catechism
- Pen or pencil
- Your body, soul & mind



**Session #4
Small Group Meeting
October 21, 2020**

“Luther and the Reformation”

Bible Memory Verse: “For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— not the result of works, so that no one may boast.” Ephesians 2:8-9

SCRATCH THE SURFACE

1. Look up and read the verse for today. How does this speak to Luther’s understanding of God?

2. What was important for Martin Luther?

Dig Deeper

1. What did you learn about Martin Luther tonight?

2. What about the church did Luther not agree with?

3. What do the following terms mean, and what do they have to do with Luther?
 - a. Protestant

 - b. Reformation

 - c. “Here I stand, I can do no other.”

 - d. Bible

4. What do these Latin phrases mean?
 - a. Solo Gratia

 - b. Solo Verbim

 - c. Solo Fidae

5. Martin Luther worked to change the church. Do you think that there are reformations that need to happen in the church today? If so, what are they?

Bible Story OF THE WEEK Jesus Restores a Girl to Life: Luke 8:40-42, 49-56

1. What did Jairus, the man in the story, ask Jesus to do?
2. Did Jesus heal her before she died?
3. When Jesus heard that the girl had died, what did he say?
4. How did Jesus bring her back to life?
5. How does this story connect to Luther's understanding of God's grace?

TAKING IT HOME/TAKING IT TO GOD

1. Read the memory verse again. Can anyone recite it without looking?
2. If someone asked you "What is a Lutheran?" based on what you learned tonight, how would you respond?

Pray together this prayer of Martin Luther's for God's grace and mercy

O God in heaven, look in mercy upon your needy children, and grant us grace. AMEN

BACK TO THE FRONT: SENDING OUT

With your group, go to the Baptismal Font in the Sanctuary. Gather around the font and make a sign of the cross on your own forehead saying, *"I belong to Christ. We belong to each other."*