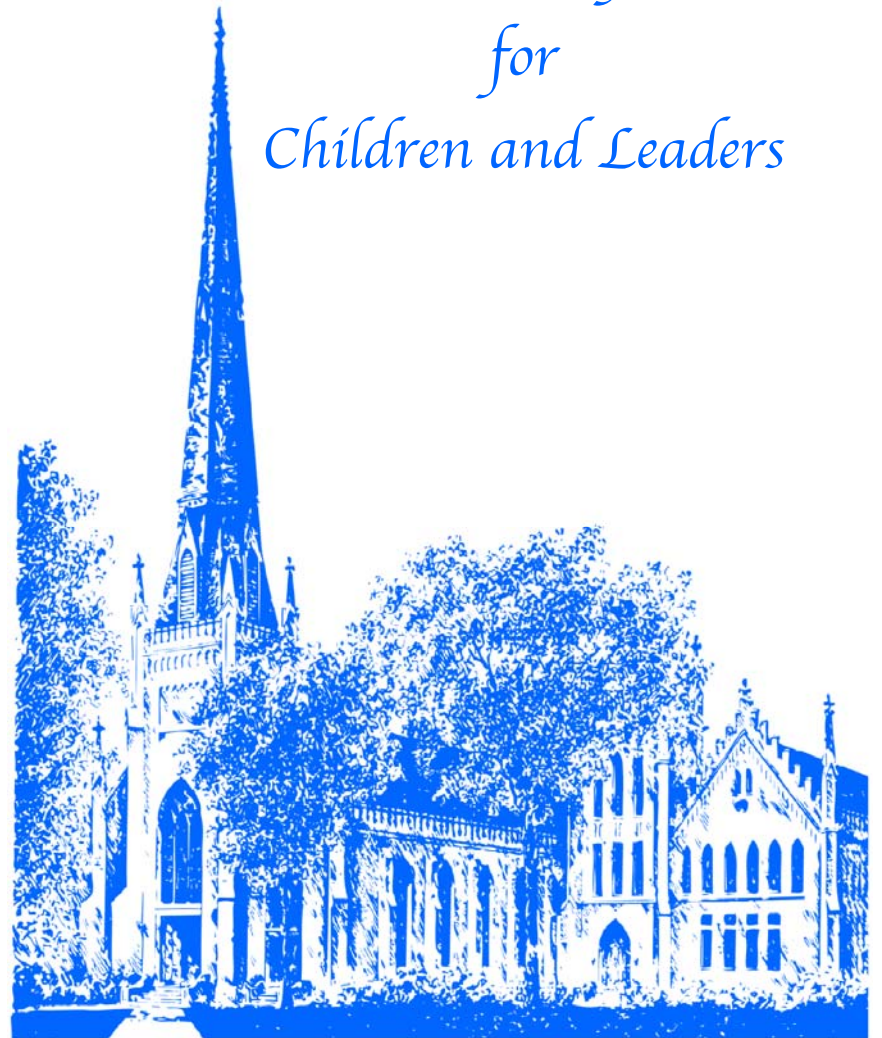


*4th Grade
Catechism Class
Glossary
for
Children and Leaders*



Glossary for Children

Symbol – Something standing for or representing something other than itself.

Tempted – Induced to do something; induced to do evil.

Weak – Easily influenced and feeble in abilities.

Wicked – Addicted to evil; immoral in nature.

Worship – Religious reverence and homage in formalized ceremony and in one's way of life



Bind – Obligate; require of you.

Create – Make.

Cross – A wooden structure used by the Romans for the execution of criminals.

Divine Justice - The deserved punishment for sin according to God's nature of right and wrong.

Duty – Our proper response.

Evil – Wrongdoing.

Father – God, first person in the Trinity.

Forbidden Fruit – the fruit of the tree in the Garden of Eden which gave the knowledge of good and evil.

Glorify – to give honor or high praise.

Gospel – Good News; the message of God's love in sending Jesus Christ.

Holy – God-like; set apart to serve God.

Holy Spirit – third person in the Trinity.

Honored – Respected.

Image – A likeness; having a similar nature.

Intercede – To pray and act for the needs of another person.

Keep – To act appropriately.

King – Supreme ruler.

Lord – Master, Ruler, and King.

Officers – Roles; jobs.

Perfect – Without faults.

Petition – Request.

Powerless – Helpless; unable to help ourselves.

Priest – A person set apart to perform religious ceremonies.

Promise – Guarantee.

Prophet – A teacher or preacher with messages from God.

Pure – Free from sin.

Redeem – To buy back; to regain; to ransom; to deliver from sin.

Regeneration – (regenerate) – to give fresh life or vigor to; to recreate the moral nature; to cause to be born again.

Rose – Awoke from death. Christ rose and left the tomb as a living human.

Salvation – Preservation from destruction; redemption; deliverance from sin.

Satisfy – To supply in full; to make complete payment.

Serpent – In this instance, the serpent in the Garden of Eden (Genesis 3); often seen as the epitome of all evil; the devil.

Signs – Materials that can be perceived by the senses and convey meaning.

Son – Second person in the Trinity.

Soul – The essence of, the spiritual part of, human beings. The generally accepted understanding of this term in the Reformed Tradition is derived from 1 Corinthians 15.

Persons – the basic definition of person is a distinct individual being.
In Christianity three persons are our one God. The nature of God is a mystery, and defies nearly 2,000 years on the subject of the Trinity. In Western Christendom the classical formula has been, three persons in one substance. Reformers emphasize the triune structure of the Christian confession; faith in the Creator who reveals himself in Jesus Christ, whose Spirit dwells with the believer.

Petition – An entreaty, a formal request.

Powerless – No capacity for action or authority.

Priest – One who performs the rites of a religion (i.e. sacrifice).

Promise – An undertaking to do, or not to do, something; cause or grounds for hope. In the case of a promise of God, a survey or guarantee.

Prophet – An inspired teacher or revealer of the Divine Will.

Pure - Blameless; free from sin.

Redeem – To buy back.

Regeneration – To be born again; to be made into a new person.

Rose – Awoke from death.

Salvation – Deliverance from sin.

Satisfy – To make complete payment.

Serpent – The devil.

Signs – Objects or motions that can be seen.

Son – Jesus, second person in the Trinity.

Soul – Spiritual part of human beings.

Symbols – Objects or motions representing something else.

Tempted – Persuaded to do wrong.

Weak – Lacking strength.

Wicked – Bad; evil.

Worship – Praise; honor.

Glossary for Leaders

Bind – Tie to something; constrain by moral influence; to be obligated to.

Create (created, creation) – A theological doctrine, an affirmation that states that nothing exists independently of God, all things belong to and are made by God.

Cross – A means of execution used by the Romans in which the victim was nailed or tied to a wooden cross. Death usually resulted from shock, asphyxiation, starvation, and thirst

Divine justice – The deserved reward or Punishment according to the divine order.

Duty – That which is due, one's proper response.

Evil – Bad or harmful; as a noun: calamities, corruption, and wrong.

Father – First person in the Trinity.

Forbidden fruit – The fruit of the tree in the Garden of Eden which gave the knowledge of good and evil. (Genesis 2-3)

Gospel – Good News; the revelation of God's love in Jesus Christ

Holy – In reference to Christ, the word denoted His majesty and attributes of God. Persons and things may be called holy insofar as they reflect the holiness of God.

Holy Spirit – Third person in the Trinity.

Honored – Respected highly, treated with distinction.

Image – A likeness; having a similar nature

Intercede – To pray and act on behalf of another person.

Keep – To take notice of, or to be faithful to, by appropriate conduct.

King – Supreme ruler, one who is distinguished above others.

Lord – Master, Ruler, and King. A title of authority and prestige.

Offices – Roles; positions of authority.

Perfect – Complete; faultless.