

# LESSONS FOR LAMBS

## REFORMATION DAY

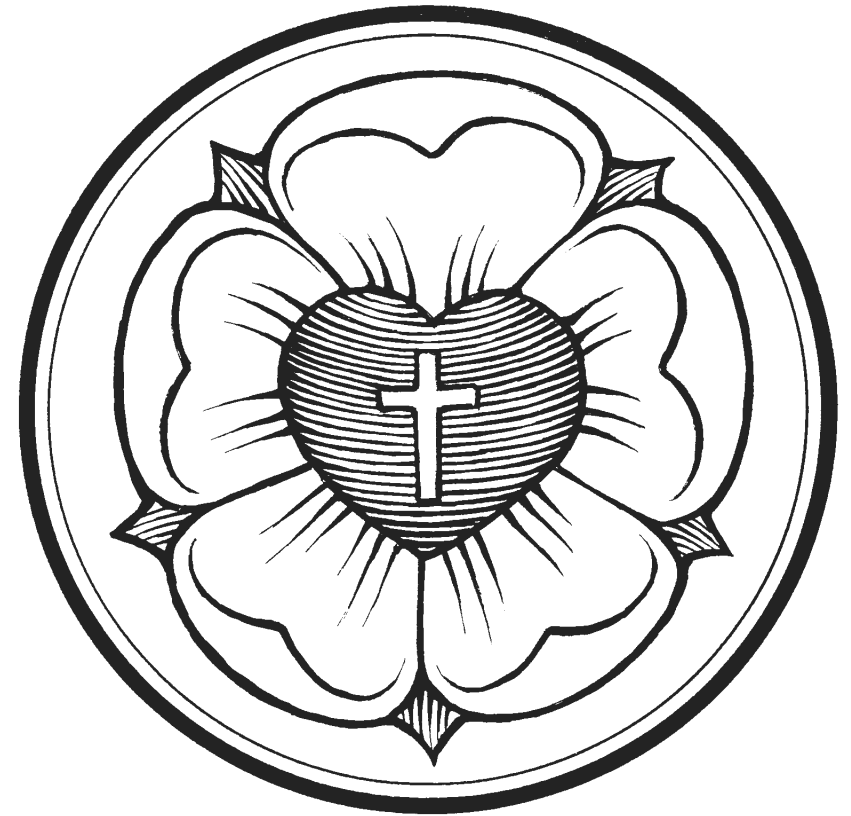
*The color for Reformation Day is red.*



Reformation  
truth  
slave  
King  
temple  
kill  
forgiveness  
family

seal  
free  
Nathan  
David  
rebuilt  
sorry  
consequences  
gift

Word  
Son  
prophet  
Solomon  
sin  
repent  
Jesus



## Luther's Seal

Read the description of the Luther Seal and then color it:  
We are reminded that faith in Jesus, the Crucified, saves us by the **black** cross in the heart, which retains its natural color of **red**. Such a heart should stand in the middle of a **white** rose, to show that faith gives joy, comfort, and peace. Such a rose should stand in a **sky-blue** field, symbolizing that such joy in spirit and faith is a beginning of the heavenly future joy, which begins already, but is grasped in hope, not yet revealed. And around this field is a **golden** ring, symbolizing that such blessedness in Heaven lasts forever and has no end.

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## **Gospel Reading: John 8:31-36**

*(The Gospel Reading is from the part of the Bible that is about Jesus and his ministry.)*

31 So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, 32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." 33 They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free?'"

34 Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. 35 The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. 36 So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

### **Questions to talk about with your parents:**

- 1) What did Jesus tell the disciples to do with His Word?
- 2) What will the truth do?
- 3) Where do we find the truth?
- 4) Jesus said, "everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin," do you commit sins?
- 5) Who can set us free from being a slave to sin if we believe in Him?
- 6) What did Jesus do to free us from sin? Where did He go?

## **People of the Bible: Nathan**

Nathan was a prophet during the time of King David and King Solomon. Nathan prophesied that the temple would be rebuilt during the time of Solomon and would not be rebuilt during David's reign. Then when David committed a terrible sin by stealing another man's wife and then killing the man, Nathan went to him and pointed out his sin. David was very sorry for his sin and repented. God forgave David but there were still consequences to his sinful actions. Later when David was dying, Nathan defended him and helped him to remember his promise to make Solomon the next king. Solomon became the next king after David died. God worked through Nathan in many ways as he proclaimed God's commands and forgiveness to His people. Later Jesus would be born from the line (family) of David, and would come to save people from their sins.

## **Hymn – "A Mighty Fortress"**

(A hymn written by Martin Luther)

- 1 A mighty fortress is our God,  
A trusty shield and weapon;  
He helps us free from ev'ry need  
That hath us now o'ertaken.  
The old evil foe, Now means deadly woe;  
Deep guile and great might  
Are his dread arms in fight;  
On earth is not his equal.
- 2 With might of ours can naught be done,  
Soon were our loss effected;  
But for us fights the valiant One,  
Whom God Himself elected.  
Ask ye, Who is this? Jesus Christ it is,  
Of Sabaoth Lord,  
And there's none other God;  
He holds the field forever.
- 3 Though devils all the world should fill,  
All eager to devour us,  
We tremble not, we fear no ill;  
They shall not overpow'r us.  
This world's prince may still Scowl fierce as he will,  
He can harm us none.  
He's judged; the deed is done;  
One little word can fell him.
- 4 The Word they still shall let remain  
Nor any thanks have for it;  
He's by our side upon the plain  
With His good gifts and Spirit.  
And take they our life, Goods, fame, child, and wife,  
Though these all be gone,  
Our vict'ry has been won;  
The Kingdom ours remaineth.