**MEMORY WORK-GRADE 4**

1. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Hebrews 13:8 (13 points)
2. I pledge allegiance to the cross of our Lord, Jesus Christ, and the faith for which it stands, one Savior, eternal, with mercy and grace for all. (28 points)
3. **Luther’s Morning Prayer**

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen. (84 points)

1. **Luther’s Evening Prayer**

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen. (78 points)

1. The blood of Jesus His son cleanses us from all sin. (1 John 1:7) (15 points)
2. **Books of the Bible Old Testament**

Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1 Samuel, 2 Samuel, 1 Kings, 2 Kings, 1 Chronicles, 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Songs (23 points)

1. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. (Ephesians 4:32) (18 points)
2. Good and upright is the Lord; therefore He instructs sinners in the way. He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble His way. (Psalm 25:8-9) (31 points)
3. **Books of the Bible (Old Testament, continued)**

Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel, Daniel, Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi (17 points)

1. Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless His holy name. (Psalm 103:1) (19 points)
2. **New Testament Books**

Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Acts, Romans, 1 Corinthians, 2 Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, 1 Thessalonians, 2 Thessalonians, 1 Timothy, 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon, Hebrews, James, 1 Peter, 2 Peter, 1 John, 2 John, 3 John, Jude, Revelation (27 points)

1. The Lord is faithful in all His words and kind in all His works. (Psalm 145:13) (17 points)
2. **First Commandment and Meaning**

You shall have no other gods.

*What does this mean?* We should fear, love and trust in God above all things. (17 points)

1. We know that this is indeed the Savior of the world. (John 4:42) (15 points)
2. **Second Commandment and Meaning**

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie, or deceive by His name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks. (45 points)

1. I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last He will stand upon the earth. (Job 19:25) (19 points)
2. **Third Commandment and Meaning**

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it. (34 points)

1. Our soul waits for the Lord; He is our help and our shield. (Psalm 33:20) (16 points)
2. **Fourth Commandment and Meaning**

Honor your father and your mother.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not despise or anger our parents and other authorities, but honor them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them. (36 points)

1. Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. (1 Corinthians 5:7) (11 points)
2. **Fifth Commandment and Meaning**

You shall not murder.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not hurt or harm our neighbor in his body, but help and support him in every physical need. (32 points)

1. May those who love Your salvation say evermore, “God is great!” (Psalm 70:4b) (14 points)
2. **Sixth Commandment and Meaning**

You shall not commit adultery.

*What does this mean?*  We should fear and love God so that we lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other. (36 points)

1. Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths. (Proverbs 3:5-6) (33 points)
2. **Seventh Commandment and Meaning**

You shall not steal.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not take our neighbor’s money or possessions, or get them in any dishonest way, but help him to improve and protect his possessions and income. (39 points)

1. For our sake He made Him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God. (2 Corinthians 5:21) (28 points)
2. **Eighth Commandment and Meaning**

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way. (48 points)

1. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. (Colossians 3:16) (34 points)
2. **Ninth Commandment and Meaning**

You shall not covet your neighbor’s house.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not scheme to get our neighbor’s inheritance or house, or get it in a way which only appears right, but help and be of service to him in keeping it. (47 points)

1. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for His own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. (1 Peter 2:9) (40 points)
2. **Tenth Commandment and Meaning**

You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not entice or force away our neighbor’s wife, workers, or animals, or turn them against him, but urge them to stay and do their duty. (58 points)

1. For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of god, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. (Ephesians 2:8-9) (37 points)
2. **The Close of the Commandments**

*What does God say about all these commandments?* *He* says, “I, the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate Me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love Me and keep My Commandments.” Exodus 20: 5-6 (59 points)

1. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins. He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:8-9) (44 points)
2. **The Close of the Commandments**

*What does this mean?* God threatens to punish all who break these commandments. Therefore, we should fear His wrath and not do anything against them. But He promises grace and every blessing to all who keep these commandments. Therefore, we should also love and trust in Him and gladly do what He commands. (49 points)

1. But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. (Galatians 4:4-5) (36 points)
2. **The Creed- The First Article (Creation) and Meaning**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

*What does this mean?* I believe that God has made me an all creatures; that he has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. (53 points)

1. The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation. (Psalm 118:14) (16 points)
2. **The Creed- The First Article Meaning (Continued)**

He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. (39 points)

1. Make haste, O God, to deliver me! O Lord, make haste to help me! (Psalm 70:1) (17 points)
2. **The Creed- The First Article Meaning (Continued)**

He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true. (53 points)

1. Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. (1 Peter 4:8) (18 points)
2. **The Creed- The Second Article (Redemption)**

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. (72 points)

1. Let him who has My word speak My word faithfully. (Jeremiah 23:28) (13 points)
2. **The Creed- The Second Article Meaning**

*What does this mean?* I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, (29 points)

1. **The Creed- The Second Article Meaning (Continued)**Who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, (43 points)
2. **The Creed- The Second Article Meaning (Continued)**

that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true. (41 points)

1. You shall worship the Lord your God and Him only shall you serve. (Matthew 4:10) (16 points)
2. **The Creed- The Third Article (Sanctification)**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. (28 points)
3. I can do all things through Him who strengthens me. (Philippians 4:13) (13 points)
4. **The Creed- Third Article Meaning***What does this mean?*

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. (44 points)

1. **The Creed- Third Article Meaning (Continued)**

In the same way he calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. (27 points)

1. **The Creed- Third Article Meaning (Continued)**

In this Christian church he daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. (18 points)

1. **The Creed- Third Article Meaning (Continued)**

On the Last Day He will raise me and the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true. (28 points)

1. Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Corinthians 15:57) (18 points)
2. We have seen His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. (John 1:14) (22 points)
3. **The Lord’s Prayer (The Introduction)**

Our Father who art in heaven.

*What does this mean?* With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children, so that with all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask their dear father. (50 points)

1. **The Lord’s Prayer (The First Petition)**

Hallowed be Thy name.

*What does this mean?* God’s name is certainly holy in itself, but we pray in this petition that it may be kept holy among us also. (30 points)

1. **The Lord’s Prayer (The Second Petition)**

Thy kingdom come.

*What does this mean?* The kingdom of God certainly comes by itself without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may come to us also. (31 points)

1. **The Lord’s Prayer (The Third Petition)**

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

*What does this mean?* The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also. (42 points)

1. **The Lord’s Prayer (The Fourth Petition)**

Give us this day our daily bread.

*What does this mean?* God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving. (44 points)

1. **The Lord’s Prayer (The Fifth Petition)**And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.
*What does this mean?* We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look at our sings, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray, (51 points)
2. **The Lord’s Prayer (The Fifth Petition) Continued**

Nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us. (45 points)

1. **The Lord’s Prayer (The Sixth Petition)**

And lead us not into temptation.

*What does this mean?* God tempts no one. We pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our sinful nature… (36 points)

1. **The Lord’s Prayer (The Sixth Petition Continued)**

…may not deceive us or mislead us into false belief, despair, and other great shame and vice. Although we are attacked by these things, we pray that we may finally overcome them and win the victory. (36 points)

1. **The Lord’s Prayer (The Seventh Petition)**
But deliver us from evil.
*What does this mean?* We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and finally when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven. (59 points)
2. **The Lord’s Prayer (The Eighth Petition)**

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

*What does this mean?* This means that I should be certain that these petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven, and are heard by Him; for He Himself commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us. Amen, amen means “yes, yes, it shall be so.” (66 points)

1. **The Sacrament of Holy Baptism (First)**
*What is Baptism?*

Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God’s command and combined with God’s word. (23 points)

1. Do not fear, only believe. (Mark 5:36) (8 points)
2. **The Sacrament of Holy Baptism (First)** *What is the word of God?* Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew: “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” Matthew 28: 19 (44 points)
3. He is the true God and eternal life. (1 John 5:20) (12 points)
4. **The Sacrament of Holy Baptism (Second)** *What benefits does Baptism give?*It works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare. (33 points)
5. **The Sacrament of Holy Baptism (Second)**

*Which are these words and promises of God?* Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Mark: “Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.” Mark 16:16 (36 points)

1. He died for all. (2 Corinthians 5:15) (8 points)
2. **Confession**

*What is Confession?* Confession has two parts. First, that we confess our sins, and second, that we receive absolution, that is, forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sings are forgiven before God in heaven. (45 points)

1. God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him. (John 3:17) (27 points)
2. **Confession**

*What sins should we confess?* Before God we should plead guilty of all sins, even those we are not aware of, as we do in the Lord’s Prayer; but before the pastor we should confess only those sins which we know and feel in our hearts. (46 points)

1. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. (Psalm 51:10) (18 points)
2. **Confession**
*Which are these?* Consider your place in life according to the Ten Commandments: Are you a father, mother, son, daughter, husband, wife, or worker? Have you been disobedient, unfaithful, or lazy? (31 points)
3. **Confession** *Which are these (continued)?* Have you been hot-tempered, rude or quarrelsome? Have you hurt someone by your words or deeds? Have you stolen, been negligent, wasted anything, or done any harm? (31 points)
4. Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life. (Revelation 2:10) (16 points)
5. **Confession**
*What is the Office of the Keys?* The Office of the Keys is that special authority which Christ has given to His church on earth to forgive the sins of repentant sinners, but to withhold forgiveness from the unrepentant as long as they do not repent. (46 points)
6. You are my help and my deliverer, do not delay, O my God! (Psalm 40:17) (16 points)
7. **The Sacrament of the Altar***What is the Sacrament of the Altar?* It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and to drink. (36 points)
8. “This is My Son, My Chosen One, listen to Him!” (Luke 9:35) (13 points)
9. **The Sacrament of the Altar***Where is this written?* The holy evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke, and St. Paul write: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.” (50 points)
10. Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. (1 Timothy 1:15) (13 points)
11. **The Sacrament of the Altar***Where is this written (continued)?* In the same way also he took the cup after supper, and when he had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament, in My Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.” (60 points)
12. Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him. (Colossians 2:6) (15 points)
13. **The Sacrament of the Altar** *What is the benefit of eating and drinking?* These words, “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins,” show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation. (52 points)
14. Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.” (John 3:5) (27 points)
15. **The Sacrament of the Altar**
*How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?* Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the words written here: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” (34 points)
16. **The Sacrament of the Altar***How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things (continued)?* These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament. Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: “forgiveness of sins.” (39 points)
17. If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above. (Colossians 3:1) (17 points)
18. **The Sacrament of the Altar**
*Who receives this sacrament worthily?* Fasting and bodily preparation are certainly fine outward training. But that person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” (39 points)
19. **The Sacrament of the Altar***Who receives this sacrament worthily (continued)?* But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words “for you” require all hearts to believe. (31 points)
20. We have our hope set on the living God, who is the Savior of all people. (1 Timothy 4:10) (20 points)
21. Jesus said, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in Me, though he die, yet shall he live.” (John 11:25) (23 points)
22. To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen (1 Timothy 1:17) (22 points)
23. You cause the grass to grow for the livestock and plans for man to cultivate, that he may bring forth food from the earth. (Psalm 104:14) (27 points)
24. Jesus said, “In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.” (John 16:33) (20 points)
25. To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood and made us a kingdom, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. (Revelations 1:5-6) (34 points)
26. Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker! (Psalm 95:6) (19 points)
27. And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to His purpose. (Romans 8:28) (27 points)
28. Jesus said, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows Me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.” (John 8:12) (27 points)
29. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases. (Psalm 103:2-3) (26 points)
30. He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to His own mercy. (Titus 3:5) (21 points)
31. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me. (Psalm 23:4) (25 points)
32. The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into His heavenly kingdom. To Him be the glory forever and ever. Amen (2 Timothy 4:18) (30 points)
33. Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures. (1 Corinthians 15:3) (14 points)
34. These are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name. (John 20:31) (31 points)