

Large Group Lessons

These lessons follow a 3 yr. curriculum based on the Old and New Testaments and the Catechism.

5:40-6:00 p.m. The students and small group guides gather to read the Bible story and ponder the big question for that night's lesson. Plus ½ the group shares their highs and lows.

6:05-6:50 p.m. All students and guides are in the sanctuary for the large group lesson.

6:55-7:15 p.m. The students and guides go back into their small group for discussion on the lesson with everyone participating in the filling out of the Group Discussion sheet. There is also planning time for upcoming small group only nights, the other ½ of the group shares their highs and lows, and there is a time of prayer.

Important concepts for faith life and growth are addressed in confirmation. Small group discussion time, discussion time with parents, and completion of group discussion sheets give each person the opportunity to reflect on what has been learned and to further soak it in to their hearts and minds. It really is a matter of strengthening one's relationship with the Lord. It is up to the student and parent to get the most out of their confirmation instruction.

Small Group Nights

The small group gatherings are for the purpose of bonding with Christ and with each other as well as having fun and serving God by serving others.

Fellowship events and service projects are enjoyed by the groups. For example, one month the group may choose to go bowling, get together at someone's home for some game time or share a meal together. They may share their highs and lows and pray with each other in the car on the way. The next month the group does a service project for the congregation, community, or outside the community.

The individual small groups determine the meeting time and place for their small group events. If you are unsure of where they will be meeting, please contact the small group guides.



Confirmation 6th, 7th, 8th Grade 2017-2018



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Goals:

First and foremost, the goal is for each youth to develop a strong relationship with Jesus Christ.

The three year confirmation program at All Saints is an opportunity to teach youth what it means to be an active disciple and a member of the Body of Christ both in this congregation and in the world.

Confirmation provides the opportunity for youth to grow in their faith and become confident in claiming their faith for their own. Confirmation expands upon the learning that has already taken place in the home and in the church.

Confirmation is a faith stepping stone and is not a graduation. One's faith life is a journey that never ends. Confirmation is a transition from Sunday school to service in the church and world.



2017-2018 Confirmation Schedule:

Sept 6 Parent/Student Orientation/Cake
Sept 13 Lg. Grp. Lesson: Martin Luther & the Reformation
Sept 20 Small Groups meet
Sept 27 Lg. Grp. Lesson: Exploring the Commandments parts 1 and 2
Oct 4 6th & 7th grade Care Packages
8th grade clean ditches
Oct 11 Lg. Grp. Lesson: Exploring the Commandments parts 3 and 4
Oct 18 No Confirmation, MEA
Oct 25 Small Groups meet
Nov 1 Lg. Grp. Lesson: Creed Overview/Article 1
Nov 8 Small Groups meet
Nov 15 Lg. Grp. Lesson: Creed Articles 2 & 3
Nov 22 No Confirmation, Thanksgiving
Nov 29 Lg. Grp. Lesson: Forgiveness
Dec 6 Small Groups meet
Dec 13, 20, 27 No Confirmation
Jan 3 Lg. Grp. Lesson: The Lord's Prayer: Greatest prayer & God's kingdom and will
Jan 10 Small Groups meet
Jan 17 Lg. Grp. Lesson: The Lord's Prayer: God gives/forgives & temptation/deliverance
Jan 24 Small Groups meet
Jan 31 Lg. Grp. Lesson: Sacrament of Baptism
Feb 7 Small Groups meet
Feb 14 No Conf., Ash Wed.
Feb 21 Lg. Grp. Lesson: Sacrament of Communion
Feb 28 8th Gr. meets with Pastor Eric & Christin, 6th & 7th off
Mar 7 Lg. Grp: 6th present Bible verses
Mar 14 Lg. Grp: 7th present Bible verses
Mar 21 8th Gr. meets with Church Council for Lent supper & conversation, 6th & 7th off
Mar 28 No Confirmation, Spring Break
Apr 4 End of year Party/Mess & Fun
Apr 7-8 8th Grade Rehearsal & Confirmation

*7th grade cleans ditches sometime in Apr or May

Requirements of Confirmation students:

1. Come to orientation night.
2. Attend all large group and small group events. Contact your small group guide if you are unable to make it.
3. Bring your Bible & something to write with to every large group lesson.
4. Actively participate in your small group discussion time and completion of Group Discussion Sheets.
5. If absent on a Lg. Grp. night, complete Group Discussion Sheet on your own and turn it in.
6. Complete 8 Sermon notes each year.
7. Complete 4 Sunday morning service activities each year, one of those being acolyting scheduled for you. Choose the other 3 activities at orientation night.
8. Choose a Bible verse each year and turn it in by February 1st.

Requirements of Parents:

1. Come to orientation night.
2. Support your child in the keeping of all the above stated requirements.
3. Discuss the large group lesson topics with your child (see schedule).
4. Sign the Sunday morning activities form each time your child completes an activity.
5. If you are not a Small Group Guide, volunteer often to be a driver, chaperone, etc.

Registration form:

Fill a registration form out, enclosed or online. A new form is required each year.

Confirmation fee:

The Confirmation fee is \$18 and helps defray the cost of curriculum and supplies. Scholarships are available. Speak with Pastor Eric or Christin Fugate.