## 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 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 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. NEW: We take an offering on these large group lesson nights to benefit an organization or group that we choose on orientation night.

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 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade 2018-2019



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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.



#### 2018-2019 Confirmation Schedule:

Sept 19 Parent/Student Orientation/Cake Sept 26 Lg. Grp. Lesson: Getting started w/the Bible

- Oct 3 Small Groups meet
- Oct 10 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grade Care Packages 8<sup>th</sup> grade clean ditches
- Oct 17 No Confirmation, MEA
- Oct 24 Lg. Grp. Lesson: Sarah, Hagar, Abraham
- Oct 31 No Confirmation, Halloween Nov 7 Lg. Grp. Lesson: Jacob & Esau
- Nov 14 Small Groups meet
- Nov 21 No Confirmation, Thanksgiving
- Nov 28 Lg. Grp. Lesson: Joseph
- Dec 5 Small Groups meet
- Dec 12, 19, 26 No Confirmation
- Jan 2 Lg. Grp. Lesson: Ruth
- Jan 9 Small Groups meet
- Jan 16 Lg. Grp. Lesson: Solomon
- Jan 23 Small Groups meet
- Jan 30 Lg. Grp. Lesson: Job
- Feb 6 Small Groups meet
- Feb 13 Lg. Grp. Lesson: Psalms for Help & Trust
- Feb 20 Small Groups meet
- Feb 27 Lg. Grp. Lesson: Proverbs
- Mar 6 No Conf., Ash Wed.
- Mar 13 8<sup>th</sup> Gr. meets with Church Council for Lent supper & conversation @ 6:00 p.m., 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> off
- Mar 20 Lg. Grp Lesson @ 5:30 p.m.: 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade present verses, 8<sup>th</sup> grade off
- Mar 27 No Confirmation, Central Spring Break
- Apr 3 Confirmation Rehearsal for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade @ 7:00 p.m., 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grade off
- Apr 7 Confirmation Sunday for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade 9:00 a.m. service for the boys 10:30 a.m. service for the girls

\*7<sup>th</sup> grade cleans ditches sometime in Apr or May

# **Registration form & Confirmation fee:**

Fill out a form each year. The fee is \$20 per child with a family maximum of \$40. This helps defray the cost of curriculum and supplies. Scholarships are available. Speak with Pastor Eric or Christin Fugate.

## **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. You'll sign up for all 4 of your service activities.

8. Choose a Bible verse each year and turn it in by February  $1^{st}$ .

## **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 and be sure your child turns the form in.

5. If you are not a Small Group Guide, volunteer often to be a driver, chaperone, etc.

6. NEW: encourage your child to bring an offering to each large group lesson night to benefit an organization or group that we choose on orientation night.