

*Requirements for students:*

1. Come to Confirmation Orientation Information Coordination Night.
2. Attend all large and small group nights. Contact your small group guide if you are unable to join and they will give you the resources you need to make up your time.
3. Bring your Bible/Small Catechism, something to write with, and something to write on to every large group lesson.
4. Actively participate in large group and small group discussions.
5. Complete 8 sermon notes per year and turn them in to Pastor Matt.
6. Complete 4 Sunday morning service activities (such as acolyting, ushering, lector, coffee service, communion assisting, Sunday school assisting, tech team, singing on worship team, or any other idea you can clear with Pastor Matt).

*Requirements for parents:*

1. Come to Confirmation Orientation Information Coordination Night.
2. Support your child in completing the requirements stated above.
3. Ask them about what they are learning and doing in confirmation. This will help them retain the lessons learned by putting it in their own words. They will also become more invested if they see that you care and that this is important to you too. Faith formation happens at home!
4. Sign the Sunday morning activities form each time your child completes an activity.
5. If you are not a small group guide, volunteer to be a driver, a chaperone, etc.

*Registration form:*

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

*Confirmation fee:*

The Confirmation fee is \$10 and helps defray the cost of curriculum and supplies. Scholarships are available upon request. Please reach out to Pastor Matt, or Darcy if this is an issue for you. Money should never be a barrier for your participation, we want you here!

# Confirmation 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade 2023-2024



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**Affirmation of Baptism  
(aka Confirmation)  
2023-2024  
"Catechism" Year**

**2023-2024 Schedule**

A.O.B. IS NOT SCHOOL! THIS IS NOT EXTRA HOMEWORK! YOU CAN NOT "FAIL"!

Confirmation is an affirmation of what was said over you at your baptism. This is not the end or the culmination of study. This is an intentional step forward on your walk of faith which will twist and turn throughout life.

Through this three-year program (Old Testament year, New Testament year, and Catechism year) you will grow in your understanding of the foundation and practices of our faith. In this way you can become more confident and claim this unique and personal faith as your own. This will give you a better understanding of where you fit within the body of Christ and your individual call to serve God's people.

Faith formation doesn't happen within the walls of the church alone. These things take place at home, in service out in the world, in your relationships to your neighbor. Not all learners absorb information best by listening to a lecture. Some learn by doing, some learn by moving, some learn by reading, some learn by asking questions. For these reasons, our Affirmation of Baptism (aka Confirmation) curriculum uses a variety of teaching approaches, a variety of settings/group sizes, and a variety of learning opportunities.

**Large group Wednesdays:**

**5:30-6:15 Large group lesson together in Sanctuary**

**6:15-6:45 Small group check-in and conversation**

**Small group Wednesdays:**

**Time, place, and activity TBD by group**

Sep 13 Parent and student orientation night  
Sep 20 Large group  
Sep 27 Small groups meet  
Oct 4 Large group  
Oct 11 6th-7th grade College Care Packages  
8th grade highway clean-up  
Oct 18 (NO CONF due to MEA)  
Oct 25 Large group  
Nov 1 Small groups meet  
Nov 8 Large group  
Nov 15 Small groups meet  
Nov 22 (No CONF Thanksgiving Worship 6:30 pm)  
Nov 29 Large group  
Dec 6 Small group Christmas Party  
Dec 13, 20, 27 (NO CONF due to Advent)  
Jan 3 Large group  
Jan 10 Small groups meet  
Jan 17 Large group  
Jan 24 Small groups meet  
Jan 31 Large group  
Feb 7 Small groups meet  
Feb 14 (NO CONF Ash Wednesday 6:30 pm)  
Feb 21 Large group/ 6:30 pm Lent Worship  
Feb 28 Small groups meet/6:30 Lent Worship  
March 6 Large group /6:30 Lent Worship  
March 13 (No CONF due to Spring Break) Large group Jesus dies/6:30 Lent Worship  
March 20 Small groups meet/6:30 Lent Worship  
March 27 NO CONF due to Holy Week  
April 3 Large group  
April 10 6th-7th grade highway clean-up  
8th grade Confirmation photos and rehearsal  
April 14 Confirmation Sunday!!!  
April 17 Large group: END OF YEAR PARTY

**Large group nights:**

These lessons follow a 3 year curriculum based on the Old Testament, the New Testament, and our Lutheran catechism. On large group nights, from 5:30-6:15, all students and guides will gather in the sanctuary to learn about that night's topic. After our group lesson, from 6:15-6:45, the students and their guides will break into small groups to discuss the lesson, share their highs and lows, and plan the upcoming small group night.

**Small group nights:**

The purpose of small group nights is to bond together as a cohort through service and fun! The time, place, and activity for these nights is completely up to the small group. One night you might choose to go bowling, the next you might go to Feed My Starving Children for a food pack. One week you have game night and a meal at someone's house, the next you're making personal care kits for Community Action Partnership. It's up to you how you wish to grow deeper in your relationship as a group and how you wish to serve God's people.