

Parents: Rise Confirmation

Class 5:30-6:30 Wednesdays

Youth group 6:30-8:30

RISE

CONFIRMATION



"it is finished"
JOHN 19:30

You're not done yet!
PHILIPPIANS 1:6

Student Program Goals

- Define the Gospel in a biblical and practical way
- Recite (or write) selected verses and creeds from Luther's Catechism from memory
- Know Ten Commandments, Lord's Prayer, and Apostles' Creed
- Define fundamental teachings of the Christian faith
- Identify the function of God's Word as both Law and Gospel
- Speak honestly as to a personal assurance/lack of assurance of faith in Christ

Student Expectations

- Weekly homework sheets and class attendance.
- Attend and participate in Wednesday Rise Youth and Confirmation activities
- Regularly attend Sunday worship and classes
- Bring their Bible, homework, and primer *Summarizing Christianity* to class
- Regular completion of assigned homework (Weekly) and submit sermon notes (Twice a month)
- Demonstrate memorization of selected passages and complete a limited number of special assignments (writing of personal creed, developing of personal testimony, etc.)

Parent Expectations

Confirmation is viewed as an endpoint "graduation" from Christian learning. But the intent is to establish lifelong patterns of discipleship and growth.

Confirmation integrates biblical instruction ("catechesis"), first communion preparation, and personal faith formation under the guidance of both church and home. Martin Luther emphasized that parenting is a God-given responsibility, especially in raising children to know and honor God. The church supports and supplements, but cannot replace, parents in nurturing lasting faith. Sincere faith weakens apart from the sustenance of Word and Sacrament ministry in the local congregation, so we want to encourage your life and worship as a family.

Confirmation instruction focuses on the fundamentals of Christian teaching to foster roots of faith. As such, the range of activities for participation is broad. This is not to overburden busy students and parents, but rather to encourage a holistic view to forming faith. The homework is designed to engage healthy home-based discussion. **As a parent, you will be expected to sign-off on 1 or 2 weekly questions for home discussion.** You are the primary person responsible for encouraging the faith of your students, and my job is to be available to you to help! Thank you for the opportunity to serve your family. I am praying for your student and your household.

On the way to Zion,
Pastor Chris Kumpula

Confirmation/First Communion Registration

Your Name: _____ Today's Date: _____

Student First Name: _____ Student Last Name: _____

Parents: _____

Student Birthday: ____/____/____

What grade level will your student be in the fall of this calendar year? _____

Physical Address: _____ City: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Parent Phone: _____

Parent Email: _____

Has the student been baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?

Yes No When/where: _____

Are you currently members? Yes No

Does your student have any food allergies? _____

Part of the goal of confirmation instruction is to facilitate spiritual discussions between students and their parents. As a parent, are you willing to take responsibility for being in "first position" for the spiritual development of your student? If not, are you willing to have another adult mentor facilitate discussion with your student through the program?

Questions/comments:
