

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM MATERIAL

The ACB Confirmation program includes three years of instruction. This instruction takes place on Sunday mornings from 9:30 to 10:40 A.M. During the ninth grade year, instruction also includes a meeting with the pastor once per month. Each of the three years focuses on a different aspect of the Christian faith: The Bible—both Old and New Testaments; Luther's Catechism—Lord's Prayer, Apostle's Creed, Ten Commandments, Sacraments; Faith Ancestors.

The program is also closely connected to regular worship on Sunday mornings and to service in the church and community. Without committed support of the parents, the lessons are rather meaningless. The family is expected to support the children through helping set priorities for attendance and worship, as well as time each week discussing the take-home sheets. All areas combined enable the student to grow in his/her faith journey.

What will your child need for Confirmation class?

- a) Ring binder with lined paper
- b) Highlighter
- c) Bible
- d) Mentor
- e) Fee of 10 Euros to be paid each year. If this will be a difficulty, please speak with the pastor.

Keeping a special bag with the materials just for Confirmation helps insure that the student has the materials each week.

Your child will do highs and lows in class each week, be involved in service projects, share in fellowship activities, and have a mentor and involved parents to share their experiences.

Benefits

We can promise that if your child follows the program, he/she will have developed a deeper faith and find joy and blessings in service.

EXPECTATIONS

*Each week—parent & teen spend 5-10 min. sharing highs and lows and praying for each other.

*Be in class each week we are scheduled.

*Inform teacher about an absence—note or call from parents. Using Sunday morning to do homework or study is not a reason to miss the sessions, as well as overnights at friends' homes (Invite them to come with you or say good-bye at breakfast.). Please keep sport event commitments to a minimum during Sunday mornings. This is a great way to witness the importance of your faith journey.

*Attend worship service regularly—seated in a pew and participating. (Each week the Confirmation student will be required to react to the service by completing a worship response form which will then be given to Mrs. Bakke and passed on to Pastor Steve.)

*Serve as acolyte, lector, children's sermon, or other manner regularly.

*Complete a servant project with the mentor. This should be written up and handed in.

*Parents work up monthly fellowship events—please inform the teacher, get the event into the monthly newsletter and bulletin.

*Attend the scheduled retreat.

Minimum Requirements:

75% Attendance

15 Worship Response Sheets

2+ Service Projects