



Family Support for Confirmation Students

At a child's baptism, responsibilities entrusted to parents, godparents, and the congregation include:

- to live with your child among God's faithful people
- to bring your child to the word of God and the Holy Supper
- to teach the Lord's Prayer, Creed and Ten Commandments
- to place in your child's hands the Holy Scriptures
- to nurture your child in faith and prayer

This baptismal responsibility continues through the three years of Confirmation classes at LCM. In our experience, having parents and guardians attend Confirmation classes provides a huge value to the student's growing faith. Additionally, the adults grow their faith because of knowledge they've gained (or relearned!) at Confirmation class. Attendance together allows for the conversation to continue after you've left church. No more answers of, "We didn't really do anything" on the ride home!

Parents and guardians are encouraged to:

1. Attend the 45-minute Confirmation Wednesday evening class with their students and other parents (7:00 - 7:45)
2. Participate in the 45 minute casual discussion time with the pastor while students are with their mentors (7:45 - 8:30). This time is a great opportunity to discuss current events in the community, share any concerns or struggles, and gain support from the Confirmation group who are often sharing the same experiences you might be having.

**In the wise words of our former pastor, Greg Moser,
"We all have a lot of stuff going on....but God can't always lose."**

Confirmation classes should be considered in earnest and held as a commitment. We don't want any students to miss out on Confirmation if family participation is not possible, and all students are welcome to join at any point during the year. Please call Julie Bowler or the church office if you are interested in joining Confirmation; we would be so happy to have you join our family!