

Confirmation '09-'10

Fall and Winter Schedule



Sun., Sept. 13

Parent/Student Orientation, Pictures, and Ice Cream

4-5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Meet other students and families and learn what's new this year at confirmation.

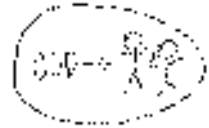
Attendance is required for 7th and 8th grade students and parents.

Sun., Sept. 20

Confirmation Class

4-5:30 pm in the Gathering Space

Topic: Creation



Wed., Sept. 30

Snoball \$70 payment due (sign up on Youth Room Door)

Sun., Oct. 4

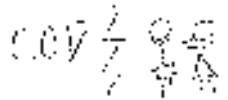
Confirmation and Tail Gate Party– Come Hungry

4-5:30 pm in the Gathering Space

Topic: Disruption

Middle School Retreat #1 down payment due

(Also Kids Against Hunger Service Project, 11:30-1:15)



Sat. Oct. 10

Welcome to the Family

Or Sun., Oct. 11

Plan to attend the Saturday night service or either Sunday morning service with your family or small group.

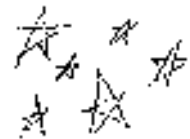
Confirmation students will be introduced to the congregation.

Sun. Oct. 18

Confirmation Class

4-5:30 pm in the Gathering Space

Topic: Cain and Able



Sun., Nov. 1

Confirmation Class

4-5:30 pm in the Gathering Space

Topic: The Flood

Middle School Retreat #1 balance due

Sun., Nov. 15

Confirmation Class

4-5:30 pm in the Gathering Space

Topic: The Covenant

Fri., Nov. 20-22

Middle School Retreat #1: Lost and Found and Lost

For more information call Renee at 752-7434 x 16.

Wed., Dec. 2

Snoball Final Balance and Permission Forms Due



Sun., Dec. 6

Small Group Service Night

4 pm meet in the Gathering Space

We will disperse through the community and carry out Our planned service projects

Confirmation is a ministry of First Lutheran Church, 612 N Randall, Janesville, WI 53545
Church Phone: 752-7434 x 10 Church Website www.flcj.org
For more information call Renee at 752-7434 x 16 or 290-7083 or email at reneeengen@tds.net

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Winter and Spring Schedule



Sun., Dec. 20

Confirmation Class

4-5:30 pm in the Gathering Space

Topic: Isaac



Sun., Jan. 10

Confirmation Class

4-5:30 pm in the Gathering Space

Topic: Jacob and Esau

Middle School Retreat #2 down payment due

Fri., Jan. 22-24

Snoball Winter Retreat and Ski Weekend

For more information call Eric at 290-7083

Sun., Jan. 24

Confirmation Class

4-5:30 pm in the Gathering Space

Topic: Joseph

Sun., Feb. 14

Confirmation and Spaghetti Supper

4-5:30 pm in the Gathering Space

Topic: Moses

Middle School Retreat #2 balance due



Sun., Feb. 21

Kids Against Hunger Service Project

11:30 am -1:15 pm

Sign up ahead of time and meet in the Gathering Space to carpool

Sun., Feb. 28

Confirmation Class

4-5:30 pm in the Gathering Space

Topic: The Passover

Fri., March 5-7

Middle School Retreat #2: I Believe

For more information call Renee at 752-7434 x 16



Sun., March 14

Seder Celebration

4-5:30 pm in the Gathering Space



Sun., March 28

Confirmation Class

4-5:30 pm in the Gathering Space

Topic: Law and Commands

Connect Retreat Registration Due

Sun., April 11

Confirmation Class

4-5:30 pm in the Gathering Space

Topic: Sacrifices



April 23-24

Connect Retreat for grades 6 & 7

For more information call Renee at 752-7434 x 16

Sun., April 25

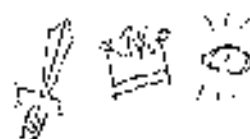
Confirmation Service Project- Crop Walk

1 pm at Cargill United Methodist Church

Confirmation and Tail Gate Party- Come Hungry

4-5:30 pm in the Gathering Space

Topic: Judges, Kings, and Prophets



Sun., May 2

Year End Review and Celebration

4-5:30 pm in the Gathering Space

**Confirmation Ministry
First Lutheran Church
Janesville, Wisconsin**



Seventh & Eighth Grade Confirmation 2009-2010

Purpose

Confirmation Ministry at First Lutheran provides young people in the middle school years with opportunity to learn about our God, their personal faith, the Lutheran tradition, the Biblical story, worship, prayer, and ethical issues through conversation with leaders and each other and activities which enhance learning.

General Program Description for Sunday Afternoon Class Time

Confirmation is Sunday afternoons from 4:00 (sharp) to 5:30 from September to May. Class will begin with a large group activity, large group teaching time, small group time, and end with a question/answer period. Students are to bring their Bible with them each time. The class pattern may be adapted to fit a particular topic presentation.

The curriculum alternates each year. In this way, all students will learn both the Old and the New Testament biblical story and the catechism.

Small Group Formation

The pastoral staff, confirmation coordinator, and small group leaders will form semi-permanent small groups. These small groups will work together throughout the year.

Absence & Make-up Work

Confirmation students are expected to attend class. The pastors and staff understand that it may not be possible to attend every session. Please call Renee at 752-7435 X 16, if you will be absent. If a session is missed, plan to complete the make-up worksheet. Make-up work is available -----flcj.org (go to the YOUTH link on the left side of the page). Make-up work should be complete and returned at the next class.

Costs

The student fee for confirmation is \$20 which covers the costs of program expenses. Scholarships are available, simply have a conversation with Pastor Naomi. If you are paying with a check, make the check payable to First Lutheran Church.

Pastors, Confirmation Coordinator, and Small Group Leader Involvement

Pastors and Confirmation Coordinator will be involved in leading the large group sessions. They will substitute for a small group leader who is not able to attend a particular session. Small group leaders will facilitate a discussion of the day's topic using an outline provided to them.

Stewardship

Giving to God what has first been given to us is a habit which is good to form early in our walk of discipleship. The confirmation students will be participating in "Change the World Lutheran Youth Challenge". More information will be shared about this fun way of giving.

Body Works: Service to the life of First Lutheran Church

All students enrolled in the confirmation ministry are expected to participate in the life of First Lutheran Church. There are many, many ways to participate---lector (reading the lessons), ushering, greeting, Journey of Faith shepherd, singing in the choir or a small group, altar guild (preparing for communion), communion server, serving Sunday coffee---these are just a few of the ways to participate. A sign-up sheet will be available at each class period. Each student should participate 4 times throughout the year. After serving at church fill out and return the Body Works form. It can be found by the sermon notes.

Worship Attendance & Sermon Notes

Students in the confirmation ministry are expected to attend worship on a regular basis. This means attending worship three times each month. A minimum of 10 sermon notes will be required from all students. 5 sermon notes are due before January with the remaining 5 due in May. Blank sermon note forms and a return pocket are located outside the Choir Room on second floor.

Service Projects to the Greater Janesville area

Two service projects to the greater Janesville area are required throughout the year. Each student will be required to participate in **Small Group Service Night during class on Sunday, December 6**. For the second service project students can choose one of two options:

**Kids Against Hunger
Crop Walk**

**Oct. 4, 11:30-1:15 pm or Feb. 21, 11:30-1:15 pm
April 25**

Details and sign-ups will be available closer to the dates of the events.

Retreats

Two confirmation retreats are scheduled during the school year. Each student is expected to attend one of the two. One retreat is November 20-22 and the other retreat is March 5-7. Please call Renee for more information about retreats.

Pastor Meetings

Individual student and/or family meetings may be scheduled throughout the confirmation year at the request of Pastor Naomi, the student, or their family.

Bad Weather

If the weather is bad and you are not sure if class is cancelled, please call Renee at 752-7434 x 16. Information regarding class will be on her extension.

For more information please call Renee at work- 752-7434 x 16 or cell- 290-7083 or email reneeengen@tds.net.