What Parents Need to Know:

Your child must complete the following:

12 Service Hours

These service hours can be done at church or on their own. They might include babysitting, volunteering in the community, doing a volunteer project at school, singing in the choir or ringing bells at church, or any other service oriented project. When your child has completed the service project, please fill out the Service Hour Form and turn it in to the box in the Narthex. We do not know that your child has done their service hours if you do not turn in the form. Servant Events as a part of Confirmation do count toward the twelve hours, but you have to turn in the form.

16 Sermon Notes

This means going to worship and listening to the sermon for the day and then answering the simple questions on the form. The form also asks what you as parents got as the main point of the sermon, so you also have to pay attention (not that you wouldn't!).

Attend the Confirmation Retreat in February; Sunday, February 20 to Monday, February 21 (President's Day Weekend)

Please mark your calendars NOW for this event as there is really no way to "make up" the retreat or the materials covered in the retreat. The retreat is a great time for all of us and a wonderful opportunity to build relationships between the kids and with the other caring adults on the trip. The retreat is held at Lake Wapogasset Lutheran Bible Camp in Amery, Wisconsin.

Meet with a Mentor during Lent

Each student is asked to choose a Mentor and to attend Wednesday Lenten services with their Mentor. There will be guided discussion sheets that they must complete and turn in each week. This has proven to be a wonderful experience for the students and their Mentors.

Regular Attendance

It is important for parents to make Confirmation a priority amid all of the other activities your child attends. If church activities are not a priority for parents, they will not be a priority for kids. Please make sure your child makes it to Confirmation as often as possible. When they are not able to attend, discussion sheets that can be done in the home are available to make up for the absence.

Memory Work

Students will be expected to memorize and recite the Lord's Prayer, the Apostle's Creed, and the Ten Commandments at the end of each of those units.

Curriculum:

The Curriculum for Confirmation was written by Pastor Ryan and Pastor Lisa and is a three year rotating curriculum so that students in their three years will have covered all of the units. Topics covered include Old and New Testaments, Luther and Lutheran Theology, Worship, Stewardship, The Lord's Prayer, The Apostles Creed, The Ten Commandments, Sacraments, and the Church. Built into the Curriculum are Parent's nights, Fellowship Nights, and Servant Event nights as well as an end of the year party. The Retreats also will have a theme and a topic to be covered. Those themes are yet to be determined.

Structure of a typical evening at Confirmation

- 6:30 Wednesday Night Worship in the Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 Opening in the Fellowship Hall with Deacon Brad, Pastor Lisa or Pastor Ryan
- 7:15 Small Groups
- 8:00 Time to go home

How can parents help?

- Attend Parent's Night February 23rd 7:00 pm 8:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall
- Drivers for servant events or fellowship events
- Subbing for your child's class if needed
- Encourage kids to attend "other" events of the Youth Group
- Encourage your child to attend summer camp
- Bring your child!
- Pick up your child on time after Confirmation