

**CONFIRMATION REQUIREMENTS
CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH
2020 - 2021
(Grades 7-10)**

- RESOURCES:**
- I. **New Journeys – Basics in Lutheran Doctrine:** 7th, 8th & 9th
 - II. **Here We Stand (Curriculum) & The Lutheran Handbook:** 7th, 8th, 9th & 10th
 - III. **Luther's Small Catechism** (The Lord's Supper: Grade 4 – Lent)
 - a. Able to write/recite/ or articulate in their own words
 1. Grade 7 – Ten Commandments, Apostle's Creed, Baptism
 2. Grade 8 – Lord's Prayer, Confession & Forgiveness
 3. Grade 9 – Apostles' Creed & Articles, Sacraments
 4. Grade 10 – Review of all prior to Affirmation of Baptism Rite
 - IV. **Book of Concord**
 - a. **Article IV** - The Augsburg Confession – all grades
 - V. **Bible – OT & NT (God as Creator, Redeemer & Sanctifier)**
*All Bible Study will be covered in the **HERE WE STAND** curriculum.*
 - VI. **A Faith Journal for completing Bible assignments each week.**
 - VII. **Mentor Program – Begins in Lent**
 - a. A meeting will precede program start up (mailing will be sent).
 - b. Involves 6 sessions correlating to the Season of Lent with Mentor.
 - c. Students will complete Mentor Booklet Sessions.
 - VIII. **Service Opportunities**
 - a. Acolyte / Ushers / Assisting Ministers / SS Volunteers
 - Students are required to Acolyte or run A/V (projections) **2 times per year.**
 - Some students prefer to Acolyte, some prefer to run A/V. It is up to the student, but they must do one or the other 2 times / year, or serve as Acolyte and A/V one time each. *Students cannot serve as Acolyte & A/V at the same time on the same Sunday/Wednesday.
 - **5th & 6th** Grades will primarily be scheduled for Sunday Worship
 - **7th - 9th** Grades will primarily be scheduled for Wed. Evenings.
 - **If a student is unable to Acolyte on an assigned date, it is the student's responsibility to find a replacement and notify Vicar Susan or the church secretary, Dawn Peterson, of the change.**
 - b. In addition to service as an Acolyte, the Confirmation will also be required to assist with Advent (Dec.) & Lenten (Feb.-April) Worship Services. Worship Assistant sign up forms will be posted prior to the season. If students do not sign up, they will be assigned Worship Assistant roles. If students are interested, there will be additional opportunities for students to Lector as needed throughout the year.
 - c. All Confirmation students are expected to participate in any fundraising efforts or service projects (highway ditch cleanup, Lenten soup suppers, Easter Breakfast) or other ministry opportunities. **(When Covid-19 restrictions are lifted).**

IX. Community Builders

- a. Junior & Senior High Synod Gatherings **(NA due to Covid-19)**
- b. Confirmation Retreat (1 day/evening **or** an overnight) **(NA due to Covid-19)**
- c. Youth Activity Attendance & Participation **(NA due to Covid-19)**
- d. Bible Camp / Campout (Required 1x during 3 years of Confirmation.)

X. 18 Sermon Notes

- XI. (2) **Unexcused** absences per year without consequence. **If a student is ill or has a family emergency, it is automatically excused. Please notify Pastor, Guides or Teachers as soon as possible.** Attendance will be taken for Wednesday evening classes. All missed class work must be satisfactorily completed. Students with **more** than two unexcused absences will need to make up any missed class hours prior to year's end (7th, 8th & 9th Grades) and 10th Grade will need to make up class hours/course work for the given year prior to Confirmation Approval [2021].

Missed class hours may be reconciled by acts of service assisting the custodian, church secretary, Vicar Susan and/or the Pastor. All missing OR incomplete class work will need to be completed & submitted.

XII. Classes will meet on Wednesdays for:

- a. **Grade 7:** (21 weeks) + (1) Lenten Soup Supper **(NA)**, **ALL** Lenten Services & 6 Mentor Mtgs.
- b. **Grade 8:** (21 weeks) + (1) Lenten Soup Supper **(NA)**, **ALL** Lenten Services & 6 Mentor Mtgs.
- c. **Grade 9:** (21 weeks) + (1) Lenten Soup Supper **(NA)**, **ALL** Lenten Services & 6 Mentor Mtgs. **and design/preparation of 2021 Paschal Candle.**
- d. **Grade 10 (4 weeks) Preparation for Affirmation of Baptism 2021**
 - 1. **Confirmation Reviews: October 2nd or 9th, 2021 (A Schedule will be mailed in early fall)**
 - 2. **Council Approval: October 13th, 2021**
 - 3. **Affirmation of Baptism Rite: October 31st, 2021 @ 9:00 a.m.**
- e. Grades 7-9 will have an extra week for Scheduled Mission
 - 1. Ditch Clean up
 - 2. TBA

STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE UPDATES (2X ANNUALLY) AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THESE REQUIREMENTS ARE BEING SATISFACTORILY MET. IF THEY ARE NOT, THE PARENTS, GUIDES, STUDENT, VICAR SUSAN AND PASTOR MAY DISCUSS POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS. IF NECESSARY, A COURSE OF ACTION WILL BE DETERMINED AT A FOLLOW UP MEETING. CONSEQUENCES MAY INCLUDE A DELAY IN THE AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM RITE AND/OR RESTRICTION FROM PARTICIPATION IN SPECIAL EVENTS (i.e. Youth Gatherings, Camp Outs, etc.)