

# Concordia Evangelical Lutheran Church

## Confirmation Program 2016-2017

### Expectations: Grades 6 - 8

The confirmation years are intended to provide students with an opportunity to grow in their faith, in their relationship with God, and in their involvement in the life of the church. All students are expected to attend classes, worship regularly, and participate in activities. Parents are encouraged to support the full participation of their students in the Confirmation Program - the more you engage, the more you will grow.

We are working in collaboration with Kenwood and Family of God for our Confirmation program this year. The program includes:

- ✘ Weekly Classes. Wednesdays, 6:30 - 7:30 PM. The Focus of classes for this year is Luther and the Small Catechism. Our resources will be the Bible, The Small Catechism, and Collaborate student workbooks. (Supper will not be provided this year.) Class will meet at each of the three churches in blocks of about 8 classes each:
  - Family of God: Sept. 21 - Nov. 16
  - Kenwood: Nov. 30 - Jan. 25
  - Concordia: Feb. 1 - May 17
- ✘ Worship Notes. Complete 20 worship notes during the year. Forms are available at the youth kiosk. Every question must be answered to get credit. Return completed notes to the worship note tray at the youth kiosk.
- ✘ Acolyte and Assist in Worship. Students are to acolyte at least 5-6 times during the year. Students are also asked to usher with their families 2 times during the year.
- ✘ Attend Lenten and Holy Week Services. Be sure to sign in! Regular classes are not held during Lent; however, prior to Evening Worship either the discussion groups will meet or there will be practice for the Passion Drama.
- ✘ Middle School Gathering. Confirmation students are strongly encouraged to attend the Synod Middle School Gathering at least once during their confirmation years. We will plan to register with Kenwood and Family of God. Early Registration is due October 12.

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## Confirmation Program Fall 2016

Expectations: *Grade 9*

Confirmation Day is October 30, 2016 - Reformation Sunday.

Expectations:

- ✧ Retreat: Attend a 2-3 hour retreat to be scheduled during September.
- ✧ Essay: Write an answer (200-300 words) to one of the following questions:
  - What does it mean for you to pray?
  - What does it mean for you to 'follow Jesus'?
  - How do you understand God and your relationship with God?
- ✧ Confirmation Interview. Meet with the pastor to discuss student's essay and any questions before confirmation.