

Dear 4th and 5th Grade Confirmation Students, Parents, and Mentors,

Thank you for your continued commitment to developing your faith through Confirmation!
Our 4 classes for upper elementary school youth this year begin on Wednesday, October 26.

Each Wednesday, we will hold class from **6:30-7:30pm** in the lower level of the church. We are not planning to serve a meal at this time, so please be on time for class beginning at 6:30pm. Masks are encouraged but not required.

The dates for Confirmation are as follows:

October 26 (Parents and Mentors)

November 2 (Mentors)

November 9 (Parents)

November 16 (Mentors)

Note: All 4th-6th grade Students (especially 4th grade) are encouraged to attend **Bible Late Night on Friday, October 21 from 6-9pm**. We will give out 4th grade Bibles on Sunday, October 9 as part of our worship service.

Please note that due to our extended model of Confirmation at Mt. Zion, we only hold 5 periods of instruction per year for each year of elementary school. Because there are only 4 Wednesday class meetings per year, it is important that you make every effort to attend and participate in these classes. These efforts show that you prioritize faith education and formation for your family.

Other requirements for Confirmation this year include:

1. **4th grade Confirmation Mentors! Please contact Pr. Carolyn by October 3** with the names of 3 adults in the congregation who you would be interested in having as your Mentor. Please do not ask these people directly if they would like to be your Mentor - many adults in the congregation are already serving as Mentors, so we will match you with one of your 3 choices. If you have any questions about Mentors, please contact Pr. Carolyn.
2. All 4th-5th grade Confirmation Students must complete one faith formation conversation with their Mentor by November 16. More information will be provided on the first day of class, October 26.
3. All **5th grade Confirmation Students** must attend **First Communion class in the spring of 2023**. First Communion will be held as part of the Maundy Thursday service during Holy Week. More details will be given out on the first day of class, October 26.

If you as a Parent or Mentor need to switch weeks that you attend with your student, that is fine. The important part is to make sure that there is an adult present with each Student at each class.

If you have any other questions, please feel free to reach out any time at

pastor.mtzionhudson@gmail.com or 715-396-1465. I look forward to seeing you all on October 26!

Peace be with you,
Pastor Carolyn Staats