Dear 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade Confirmation Students, Parents, and Mentors,

Thank you for your continued commitment to developing your faith through Confirmation! Our 5 classes for middle school youth this year begin on Wednesday, January 11, 2023. Please note the change in schedule, that middle school classes will be held in the winter.

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.

The dates for Confirmation are as follows: January 11 (Parents and Mentors) January 18 (Mentors) January 25 (Parents) February 1 (Mentors) February 8 (Parents).

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 middle school. Because there are only 5 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. All 6th-8th grade Confirmation Students must complete one faith formation conversation with their Mentor by February 8. More information will be provided on the first day of class, January 11.
- All 6th-8th grade Confirmation Students must complete 15 sermon notes between July 2022 and June 2023. These can be completed either online or on paper - we will provide directions for both formats on the first day of class.
- 3. All 6th-8th grade Confirmation Students must complete 5 community service hours between July 2022 and June 2023. Please ask Pr. Carolyn if you would like ideas on how to serve.

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 <u>pastor.mtzionhudson@gmail.com</u> or 715-396-1465. I look forward to seeing you all on January 11!

Peace be with you, Pastor Carolyn Staats