Confirmation Program 2024—2025

"One generation shall commend your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts." Psalm 145:4

What do you need to know?



EVERYONE—

\$30 registration cost

This cost helps cover the expenses of learning materials (workbooks etc.)

Be sure to fill out registration form - include an email for communication about classes/events

All students are to bring Bible and Small Catechism to each class

Public School classes begin Wednesday, September 4th.

They continue every Wednesday, 5:30-6:45pm.

Weeks where we will not have class will be listed on the Confirmation tab on our website.

1. **12 Worship Service Hours (August 18th, 2024 - August 10th, 2025) —** Schedule hours through signupgenius.com

Find the link on our website: ZionWayside.org

Service Training: Training to Acolyte, Usher, and do Media will be provided during the first week of Confirmation Class.

We will also have a form to have the students and parents fill out if an hour is completed that they had not signed up for online (i.e. VBS, Praise Team, last minute fill-in etc.). Located in the cafe underneath the pastor mural.

- 2. **25 Sermon Notes** Packets of 10 will be distributed at the beginning of the year to make it easy to track how many sermon summaries have been completed. When the first packet is complete, another packet will be given until 25 have been completed.
- 3. **70% Attendance (NEW THIS YEAR):** We are requiring 70% church attendance this year for all students in our Confirmation Program. Church attendance is taken in our day school, and will be taken during public school classes.

5th Grade —

Public School students will receive a Bible and Small Catechism at their first class Day School students have already received a Bible, and will be given a Small Catechism.

"Worship Service Hours" begin.

Acolytes, Ushers, Readers, Slides, Sunday School, Praise Team, etc.

"Sermon Notes" begin.

First opportunity to participate in Raising Arrows events & Donuts and Devos.

Day School will follow Zion's religion curriculum, taught occasionally by the pastors. Public School will follow a curriculum using "Luther's Small Catechism for Kids" taught by DCM Mrs. Krahn and Marianne Krueger

6th Grade—

First Communion is Maundy Thursday, April 17th, 7:00pm.

Classes for First Communion prep will begin ~6 weeks prior.

Day School/Public School follows the above curriculums and schedules.

Plan for Confirmation Camp August 10-12, 2025.

7th Grade—

Weekly Class taught by Pastor Kyle, Pastor Jed, and Mrs. Krahn.

Topics include: Ten Commandments, Creeds, and Lord's Prayer

(next year: Old & New Testament, Life of Christ, and Sacraments)

Family Devotionals with questions are sent home with students each week and must be completed and signed by next week's class. Church staff will also be teaching Zion's religion curriculum as well, and so this year there will actually be a letter grade received for this homework. Memory work will be a part of Confirmation this year.

Confirmation Camp, August 10-12, 2025

8th Grade—

Follows the same schedule and curriculum as 7th grade above.

Confirmation <u>Sunday is May 4th, 11:00am</u>. (Please check with office that we have Confirmand's full name and Baptism date)

Parent Volunteers needed to plan for this special day:

photos, flowers, and stoles.

Students will choose class Confirmation Verse and Stole Symbol

Students will also choose individual Confirmation Verse and Stole Symbol

Statements of Faith will be read Sundays in January through April.

Prep work begins in November.

Please use sign-up genius to schedule. Go to ZionWayside.org

Confirmation interviews scheduled to take place in April

Parent and Child meet with Pastor and Elder for about 20 minutes