



OUR SAVIOUR'S
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
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FAITH FAMILY FRIENDSHIP

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Dear Parents, Confirmands, and Mentors

Returning Confirmand: Madison Boers & Emmersyn Langenfeld

New Confirmands: Philip Busse & Leighton Boers

Welcome to Confirmation 2024-2025. I would like to have a parent, confirmand, and mentor meeting on September 11 at 5:30pm at the parsonage, 335 Scott St. I will provide pizza and beverages for everyone so please RSVP that you are coming and how many people. We will go over the plan for the year and how we will do things.

If you are in need a mentor or have a mentor, let me know so I can help find one or the one you have the key information.

I am digitally enclosing key documents in this packet, and will mail paper forms as well, and they will be on our church website for download under "church life/Children & Youth/Confirmation." Please look them all over and bring any questions to our starting meeting.

I am looking forward to our journey together. If you have any questions please feel free to give me a call, my cell is 920-385-8990 or call me at church 920-748-2544.

Grace and Peace Rev. Kevin Mundell

Confirmation Expectations for Confirmands and Parents

Confirmand

1. Attendance
 - a. Wednesday and Sunday classes and weekly worship.
 - b. Mid-week Lenten Evening services.
 - c. Participate in the Christmas pageant (Helping and/or performing.)
 - d. Depending on availability and options we may try and attend a confirmation retreat.
2. Assignments
 - a. Any written work assigned such as finishing a faith statement.
 - b. 12 Sunday service worksheets on what happened in worship.
3. Behavior
 - a. Treat everyone with Respect and expect to be Respected as well.
 - b. Please remove all hats and coats.
 - c. Please silence and put away your phone before arriving and do not use it until given permission once we are finished with each confirmation session.
 - d. Be on time, pay attention, and participate.
4. Service
 - a. Participate in the church working out how with Rev. Mundell. (see list) *
 - b. Help at our Fall Turkey dinner on the last Saturday of October.
 - c. Help at our Easter Sunrise Breakfast.
 - d. Help serve and clean up our Sunday breakfasts when we have them.
 - e. Complete 2 hours of community service outside of the church (We try and provide opportunities for this such as building meal boxes for the Santa club.)
 - f. Help design and participate in the Confirmation Service.
5. Seniors
 - a. Attend Our Saviour's annual meeting.
 - b. Present a Faith statement to the church and church council.
 - c. Attend rehearsal for Confirmation if needed.
 - d. Get picture taken with group on Confirmation Sunday.

***Involvement List**

Be an Acolyte during a worship services.

Be a liturgist for some worship services.

Learn to work the audio system for services.

Learn to work the media computer for services.

Learn to produce a livestream worship service using multiple cameras and affects.

Help alter guild set up and clean up communion for worship.

Help the Missions committee doing service projects.

Help the beautification team decorate the church.

Assist with setting up, serving, and cleaning up for a coffee hour.

Assist serving communion with Rev. Mundell during a worship service.

Suggest other ways to be involved at church.

Confirmand Parent(s)

A person is incorporated into the universal church, the body of Christ, through the sacrament of baptism. When an infant or very young child is baptized, the baptismal promises are made by one or more parents and/or sponsors. These adult Christians assume certain responsibilities for the Christian nurture of the baptized child. Those who consent to this ministry of nurture are members in good standing of a Christian church in order that they may honor their promises fully. The entire congregation also assumes the role of sponsors as its members promise to provide a supportive Christian community in which a child may grow in awareness and understanding concerning the meaning of life in Christ.

As a child who was baptized in infancy approaches adolescence, the local church offers that person the opportunity to give public assent to the baptismal promises. Confirmation celebrates this occasion of affirmation of baptism in the life of the individual and of the local church.

As a parent/guardian with a child enrolled in Our Saviour's United Church of Christ confirmation program we have expectations of how you will participate in this journey.

- 1 We expect you to pray for your Confirmand every day.
- 2 Make sure your confirmand can make it to each Wednesday evening class, Acolyte turn, Confirmation Sunday school class, and other confirmand events.
- 3 Allow your child to work with a mentor(s) for the two-year journey.
- 4 Provide meals in a rotating basis for the confirmands, mentors, and teachers on Wednesday evenings. We keep a cupboard filled with confirmation supplies for dinner and have space set aside for us in one of our refrigerators.
- 5 Take interest in what your child is learning and help them if they need any help with what they are learning.
- 6 Participate in our end of year confirmation, mentor, and parent picnic
- 7 Take advantage of opportunities to volunteer beside them when they are helping out at church events.

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Confirmation Registration 2024-2025

(Please PRINT)

Full Name of Confirmand: _____ (_____)
Preferred Name

Address: _____

City: _____, Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Youth's Cell Phone: _____

Youth's E-mail: _____

Date of Birth: ___ / ___ / ___ School: _____ Grade: _____

How long have you attended Our Saviour's (OS) church : _____

Was the Confirmand Baptized as Child or Infant? ___ NO ___ YES

Place of Baptism: _____ Date of Baptism: _____

Mother's Name: _____ OS Member ___ YES ___ NO

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Father's Name: _____ OS Member ___ YES ___ NO

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Emergency Contact Person: _____

Confirmand lives in/with: ___ Single Home ___ Mother ___ Father ___ Alternates ___ Other

If Other, name: _____ OS Member ___ YES ___ NO

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

All Correspondence should go to:

_____Both parents _____Mother _____Father _____Other

and, I _____ (parent/guardian) give permission to the Minister of Our Saviour's UCC to send **informational messages only** to my Confirmand pertaining to class changes such as time, location, cancellation, etc. and other confirmation related activities via texting, email.

Confirmand's ACTIVITIES (Sports, music lessons, hobbies, special interests, etc.)

Are there special things about your Youth which you wish to share?*

*ALL INFORMATION WILL BE HELD IN STRICTEST CONFIDENCE.

All confirmands choose a mentor who journeys with them throughout the process. Please list any church members you would be interested in having as a member so that the Minister can contact them.

1. _____ 2. _____

By signing below, I certify that I have read the Confirmation Expectations and will meet them during the next two years.

Confirmand: _____
(signature)

By signing below, I agree to have my child participate in Our Saviour's Confirmation program and have read the Confirmation Responsibilities and the Parent Responsibilities and agree to meet them during the next two years.

Parent/Guardian: _____ (signature) _____ (date)



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Confirmation Mentor Information

(Please PRINT)

Mentor Name: _____ (_____)
Preferred Name

Address: _____

City: _____, Zip: _____

Primary Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Mentee's Name: _____

Confirmand Mentor's Responsibility

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As a Confirmation Mentor at Our Saviour's United Church of Christ you are expected to...

- 1 Pray for your Confirmand daily.
- 2 Help your confirmand make it to our Wednesday Confirmation class, Sunday worship and Sunday confirmation class, and other confirmation events.
- 3 Attend and participate in our Wednesday confirmation program.
- 4 Work with your confirmand as a mentor for as much of the two-year journey as possible.
- 5 Provide meals for confirmation when able (Covid-19 has impacted this).
- 6 Take turns teaching from the Q&A curriculum on occasion (there is a teacher sign up/)
- 7 Participate in our end of year confirmation, mentor, and parent picnic
- 8 Take advantage of opportunities to volunteer with them at church and in the community.

Confirmation Important Data

Cancellation Policy: We use the Ripon Public schools as our guide for cancellations due to severe weather. If Ripon schools close early or cancel on a Wednesday due to bad weather, then confirmation is cancelled. Sometimes outlying areas have worse weather than Ripon does, in that case use your best judgment and err on the side of caution and safety.

Phone Policy: Remember that the phone goes off when we start and does not turn back on till after class is dismissed around 7:15pm. If a phone needs to be taken, only a parent or legal guardian will be able to get it back.

Email/Texting Policy: On occasion it is helpful to communicate with everyone or a small group. If I need to communicate using texting or email, I will only communicate about confirmation related stuff. I will always communicate with youth and parents both. I will not initiate directly with a confirmand without including the parent and often the mentor as well.

Public School Breaks: We have different school districts represented and each of them has different breaks. So, classes are set up as if there are no breaks knowing that different students will be gone on different days do to none of the three school districts lining up their holidays. So, when a student needs to miss, they will need to miss. We have built in extra days for catch up and because of this. Work with your mentor so you don't miss anything.

Confirmation Sunday school class: We have a class for 6th grade and confirmands taught in the confirmation room each week. When we have breakfast Sundays, the confirmands help with service. On a few occasions when the teacher is unavailable, the confirmands are to go to the chapel lounge and join Rev. Mundell and the adult education class. There may only be a couple of breakfast Sundays this year due to lack of participation last year.

2024-2025 Confirmation Schedule

September Church

Sun. 08 Kick Off Sunday
 Sun. 15 Classroom
 Sun. 22 Classroom
 Sun. 29 Classroom

Parsonage

Wed. 11 Introduction with Pizza
 Wed. 18 Session 01
 Wed. 25 Session 02

October

Sun. 06 Classroom
 Sun. 13 Breakfast
 Sun. 20 Classroom
 Sun. 27 Classroom

Wed. 02 Session 03
 Wed. 09 Session 04
 Wed. 16 Session 05
 Wed. 23 Session 06
 Wed. 30 Session 07

*Sat. 26 T.D.

November

Sun. 03 Classroom
 Sun. 10 Classroom
 Sun. 17 Classroom
 Sun. 24 Classroom

Wed. 06 Session 08
 Wed. 13 Session 09
 Wed. 20 Session 10
 Wed. 27 No Class

December

Sun. 01 Classroom
 Sun. 08 Classroom
 Sun. 15 Classroom
 Sun. 22 No Class
 Sun. 29 No Class

Wed. 04 Session 11
 Wed. 11 Session 12
 Wed. 18 Session 13 (Christmas Party)
 Wed. 25 No Class Merry Christmas

January

Sun. 05 Classroom
 Sun. 12 Classroom
 Sun. 19 Classroom
 Sun. 26 Classroom

Wed. 01 No Class
 Wed. 08 Session 14
 Wed. 15 Session 15
 Wed. 22 Session 16
 Wed. 29 Session 17

February

Sun. 02 Classroom
 Sun. 09 Classroom
 Sun. 16 Classroom
 Sun. 23 Classroom

Wed. 05 Session 18
 Wed. 12 Session 19
 Wed. 19 Session 20
 Wed. 26 Session 21

March

Sun. 02 Classroom
 Sun. 09 Classroom
 Sun. 16 No Class S.B.
 Sun. 23 No Class S.B.
 Sun. 30 No Class and Happy Easter

Wed. 05 Session 22 & Mid-week Lent
 Wed. 12 Session 23 & Mid-week Lent
 Wed. 19 No Class Spring Break (S.B.)
 Wed. 26 Session 24 & Mid-week Lent

April

		Wed. 02	Session 25 & Mid-week Lent
Sun. 07	Classroom	Wed. 09	Session 26 & Mid-week Lent
Sun. 14	Classroom	Wed. 16	Session 27 (Holy Week)
Sun. 21	Classroom	Wed. 23	Session 28 Party
Sun. 28	Faith Statements	Wed. 30	Session 29 Make Up if Needed

May

Sun. 04 Confirmation Sunday

*Helping with the annual Turkey Dinner