



Dear Trinity Youth and Parents,

Jouana and I are looking forward to **Trinity Youth Confirmation Class** beginning Sunday, September 11 at 10:00AM in the Youth Room!

We invite all Trinity youth who have been baptized and are 14 years or older to participate in Confirmation Class this fall. **Full schedule and expectations are below.**

Our Prayer Book says that Confirmation is *"a rite in which the candidate expresses a mature commitment to Christ, and receives strength from the Holy Spirit through prayer and the laying on of hands by a bishop... In the course of their Christian development, those baptized at an early age are expected, when they are ready and have been duly prepared, to make a mature public affirmation of their faith and commitment to the responsibilities of their Baptism and to receive the laying on of hands by the bishop.*

In other words, for baptized young people, Confirmation is a right, good, and true "next step" in their spiritual maturity and walk with Christ. It's a time when a young person can learn to make faith in Christ *their own*, and begin a mature relationship with Him.

We believe it's important that a candidate, or *confirmand*, have a mature understanding of what it means to commit their lives to following Christ and his Church. Because of the weight and importance of this decision, we ask for the following commitments from our confirmands:

- Attend each session of Confirmation Class (see schedule below)
- Parents are invited and encouraged to attend with their children
  
- Attend a worship service at Trinity for each week you're in confirmation class. (September 11 – October 30).
  
- Treat leaders and fellow confirmands with respect and love.
  
- Ask honest questions of myself and the class material and be my most authentic self throughout the confirmation process.
  
- Understand that Confirmation is my decision, and mine alone. If at any point I feel this journey is not for me I will be honest with myself, my parents, and my Confirmation mentors and leaders.
  
- Be open to learning new things and being open to learning more about the Person of Jesus, the history of Church, the practices of my community and myself.
  
- To prioritize Confirmation, and my Christian faith.

**As a faith community supporting you through this process, we promise to:**

- Listen to your questions with open minds and hearts.



- Take your contributions seriously and treat them with respect.
- Expose you to the fundamental questions of faith and explore them with you.
- Offer you help when you need it.
- Keep you in our daily prayers.

### **Trinity Youth Confirmation Schedule, Fall 2022:**

Week One - Sunday, September 11 - 10:00AM in the Youth Room  
*What is Christianity, and why does it matter?*

Week Two - September 18 - 10:00AM in the Youth Room  
*What is the Church, and why does it matter?*

Week Three - September 25 - 10:00AM in the Youth Room  
*What is Christian Worship, and why does it matter?*

Week Four - October 2  
*"Celebration Sunday" (first Sunday of every month) – Confirmation Class will not meet*

Week Five - October 9 - 10:00AM in the Youth Room  
*What is Biblical Community, and why does it matter?*

Week Six – October 16 - 10:00AM in the Youth Room  
*What is your mission as a Christian, and why does it matter?*

Week Seven – October 23 - 10:00AM in the Youth Room  
*What is Anglicanism and why does it matter?*

Week Eight – October 30 - 10:00AM in the Church  
*Confirmation Rehearsal.*

### **November 6 – Confirmation service with Bishop Howard**

If your child would like to go through the Confirmation process, **please register online at [trinitysta.org/confirmation](http://trinitysta.org/confirmation) or email me ([curt@trinitysta.org](mailto:curt@trinitysta.org))**, and if you have any questions, please reach out anytime.

Grace and Peace,  
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