

Confirmation Ministry 2019-2020

These were

Written

So that you might

BELIEVE

That Jesus is the Christ,

The Son of God

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are **written** so that you may **BELIEVE** that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name. John 20:30-31 (ESV)



New Creation
LUTHERAN CHURCH

New Hope - New Joy - New Life

Scope and Sequence

New Creation's Confirmation Ministry is a 3+ year cycle of class room learning, worship experiences, and retreats. The three years break down as follows:

- **YEAR A (2019-20):**
 - **Bible Background & History**
 - **Prayer, Lords Prayer**
- **YEAR B (2017-18):**
 - The Creed (pg. 102-173)
 - Confession (pg. 217-230)
 - Sacrament of the Altar (pg. 231-245)
- **YEAR C (2018-19):**
 - The Ten Commandments
 - Baptism
- **FINAL TERM (Starting Fall 2021)***
 - ***My Faith Life Today***
 - ***Faith Statement***



Completion of these three years, along with the recommendation of the Pastor and the Board of Elders will make a student eligible for the Rite of Confirmation.

Rite of Confirmation Dates:

Current 8th graders – October 31, 2021*

Current 7th graders – October 30, 2022

Current 6th graders – October 29, 2023

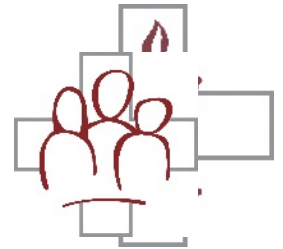
Instructors for Confirmation in 2019-2020 – Pastor Craig McCourt will do the bulk of the teaching again this year – Vicar Jorge Gomez and Intern Sarah Parrish will also be helping and substituting as necessary.

**Beginning with this year and continuing into the future, Confirmation Day will be Reformation day of their 9th-grade year. They will spend the fall of their ninth grade year working on their faith statement and final preparation for Confirmation day.*

Confirmation Expectations

Students are expected to be to class on time, with needed materials, and participate in all assignments and curriculum. In each year of confirmation, a student is expected to:

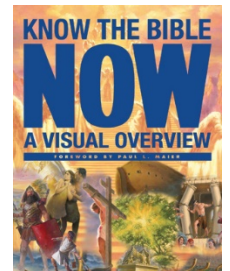
- miss no more than 3 class sessions
- Attend & report on a minimum of 3 Sunday Morning Worship services each month. *Forms are available in the Narthex.*
- Attend and help lead 3 Advent Worship
- Attend and help lead 4 Lenten Worship
- It is also required to attend 2 of 3 confirmation retreats during their confirmation experience.
- Serve a minimum of 20 service hours (See below)



Confirmation Information

Confirmation Texts: The faith that we Lutheran Christians profess is drawn from Scripture. The texts we use to help explore scripture are:

- The Holy Bible (Faith Alive Edition),
- Luther's small Catechism -*Shifting to new Illustrated edition in 2020*),
- Know The Bible – Used in Year A only.



CLASS ASSIGNMENTS: Most weeks there will be some videos, reading, review and/or memory work to be completed before the next class. **All homework including memory work, readings etc. can be found at:**

www.ncshakopee.org/confirmation (see page 7)



SERVICE HOURS: Each student is expected to serve a minimum of 20 Service Hours each year from September – April. This service time can serve anyone in our congregation or community except for members of your family. It can be done through School, Scouts, Confirmation, or Youth Activities.

Acolyting, Projection Screens, Coffee Hour Host, Ushering, Lead Music/singing on Sunday etc. will count as one service hour. (No service hours will be given for participation in the advent or lent midweek services)

Esperanza is Hope Ministry is a great place to find some service hours. Contact Mary Hernandez Mary@ncshakopee.org or Sarah Parrish office@ncshakopee.org to volunteer and watch the bulletin for more opportunities. New Creation will strive to provide a variety of opportunities throughout the year. We will also share outside opportunities to serve in our community.

ACOLYTE: Confirmation students will serve on a rotating schedule serving as an Acolyte for our Worship Services. Acolytes also assist with Communion and the Gathering of the offering. Students are responsible for finding their replacement and to notify the church office of a replacement. We will send out reminder cards, but you are responsible for being here on your assigned Sunday. Acolytes should arrive **no later than 15 minutes before the service** and check in with the Pastor to see if there is anything special for that Sunday.

The Office of Acolytes is an ancient leadership role that dates back to some of the very earliest worship in the church. Acolytes provide leadership to the congregation as they serve. **Acolytes should dress as worship leaders, for that is what they are – no shorts, t-shirts or sweatshirts when you are an acolyte.**

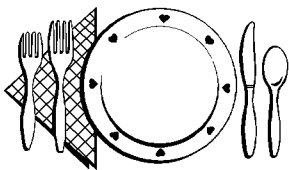


SUNDAY MORNING YOUTH BIBLE CLASS: A Sunday Morning Bible Class for youth grades 6-12 will be held in the Youth Room at 10:30 AM. We strongly encourage participation in this Bible discussion class. (Sometimes youth will be encouraged to attend with the adults depending on the topic)

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE CLASS: Parents are encouraged to attend the Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class which meet at 10:30 AM – Your participation in this class sets a great example for your children, as well as helping you develop as a devoted follower of Christ.



RETREAT: This years dates are not yet set, as soon as it is set we will publish it to the online schedule and alert all the families. Students are expected to attend a minimum of 2 of the 3 retreats during their confirmation experience. Parent chaperones are needed for the retreat. We need a minimum of 1 male and 1 female parent chaperones for each retreat. A packing list for the camp will be sent home with permission slips prior to the camp.



CONFIRMATION BANQUET: On the Saturday before Confirmation Sunday the 1st and 2nd-year confirmation families will host a dinner for the students confirming their faith and their families. 1st and 2nd-year students set up, serve the dinner, and clean up after the dinner. (See the Schedule for the Confirmation day meeting – 6th & 7th grade families will plan Banquet)

CONFIRMATION DAY: In the weeks leading up to Confirmation day students will work on their faith statements which will be presented to the congregation on Confirmation Sunday. The night before confirmation will be the Confirmation Banquet. This banquet is for immediate family, Grandparents, and sponsors. Photos of the Confirmation Class will be taken just at 8:30 prior to the 9:00 Confirmation

Service. Confirmands will wear robes for photos as well as the confirmation service. Under the robes gentlemen are to wear dress pants, shirt and tie, ladies are to wear a dress.

ADVENT WORSHIP: See schedule for the dates of this year's Advent Worship. There is no formal class held on those nights, but **there are online videos to watch and reports to file online.** The confirmation students will help to lead the worship on those nights, and their **participation in the service is required** as part of the confirmation experience. Students and their families are encouraged to attend the pre-worship Potluck dinner.



Lenten Worship: See Confirmation schedule for dates of the Lenten midweek and Holy Week services. There is no formal class during Lent, but **confirmation students will help to lead the worship on those nights, and their participation in the service is required as part of the confirmation experience** between Ash Wednesday and Easter. Families and students are encouraged to join us for the pre-worship potluck dinners.

Confirmation Schedule 2019-2020

For the latest calendar visit www.ncshakopee.org/confirmation

September 11

September 18

September 25

October 2

October 9

The Bible as One Story
Law & Gospel
Tale of Two Testaments
Old Testament

October 16 – No Class

October 23

October 30

November 6

November 13

November 20

Old Testament

November 27 – No Class – Thanksgiving Eve Worship 6:30 pm

December 4, 11 & 18 – ADVENT Worship @ 6:30 Confirmation Class will help lead Advent Worship

December 25 – No Class

January 8

January 15

January 22

January 29

February 5

February 12

February 19

New Testament

February 26 – Ash Wednesday Worship @ 6:30

March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1 Lent Worship @ 6:30

April 8 – No Class

April 9 – Maundy Thursday 6:30 Worship

April 10 – Good Friday 6:30 Worship

April 12 – Easter

April 15

April 22

April 29

May 6

May 13

May 20

Prayer / Lord's Prayer

Last Day of Class

Class will run from 5:30-7 PM on
Wednesday Nights @ New Creation

Youth Retreat @ Camp Omega
Meet at New Creation at 5:00 pm
cost is \$108.00 per person includes 5
meals and 2 nights!

Weather Issues
If there is an early release or no
school in Shakopee Schools due to
weather then we will not have
confirmation.
Other cancelations will be posted on
the Website.

Contact Me:

Craig McCourt

Home: 952-513-7679

Office: 952-445-3545

Cell: 952-769-6348

Email: Craig@NCShakopee.org

New Creation Lutheran Church

search this site...

Sign in

Home Jesus Resources About Us Give ESPERANZA

Confirmation - Year A - 2019-2020

This page contains the outline for this year's confirmation instruction. Under the class Schedule you can click the link for the class title and be taken right to that class's material. If the link is not clickable, the material for that class has not yet been added. With the exception of Advent and Lent all of the videos on this page will be shown in class, and discussed. There are also readings for each lesson - and memory work. The memory work is always due the following week, in class or signed off at home.

Class Schedule

-constantly updated and overrules any print version of the schedule-

Sept. 11 - Parent Meeting
 Sept 18 - [Bible Intro](#)
 Sept 25 - [Story of the Bible](#)
 October 2 - [Tale of Two Testaments](#)
 October 9 - [Old Testament 1](#)
 October 16 - NO CLASS
 October 23 - [Old Testament 2](#)
 October 30 - [Old Testament 3](#)
 November 6 - [Old Testament 4](#)
 November 13 - [Old Testament 5](#)
 November 20 - [Old Testament 6 and Advent Prep](#)
 November 27 - No Class Thanksgiving Worship 6:30 PM

Bible Intro - Sept. 18

In this first session we will look at the basic question of What is the Bible? We will also look at what the Bible is not. We will also look at the Bible from a historical record.



Readings:

KTBN (Know the Bible Now) Pg. 1-2

Memory Work:

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.
Psalm 119:105 (ESV)

BONUS Material: [The Bible Project](#)

Requirement Tracking Page

Worship Reports: (3 per month)

Sept. *only 2 required*

- ☐ September 15
- ☐ September 22
- ☐ September 29

- ☐ December 1
- ☐ December 8
- ☐ December 15
- ☐ December 22
- ☐ December 29

- ☐ March 1
- ☐ March 8
- ☐ March 15
- ☐ March 22
- ☐ March 29

- ☐ June 7
- ☐ June 14
- ☐ June 21
- ☐ June 28

- ☐ October 6
- ☐ October 13
- ☐ October 20
- ☐ October 27

- ☐ January 5, 2020
- ☐ January 12
- ☐ January 19
- ☐ January 26

- ☐ April 5
- ☐ April 12 EASTER
- ☐ April 19
- ☐ April 26

- ☐ July 5
- ☐ July 12
- ☐ July 19
- ☐ July 26

- ☐ November 3
- ☐ November 10
- ☐ November 17
- ☐ November 24

- ☐ February 2
- ☐ February 9
- ☐ February 16
- ☐ February 23

- ☐ May 3
- ☐ May 10
- ☐ May 17
- ☐ May 24
- ☐ May 31

- ☐ August 2
- ☐ August 9
- ☐ August 16
- ☐ August 23
- ☐ August 30

Service Hours: (record date and hours served)

Date of Service	# of Hours	Description of Service