



CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE 2024

February 4	Class 1/ Parent Meeting
February 11	Class 2
February 18	Class 3/ Mentor Get Together
February 23-25	Winter Weekend
March 3	Class 4
March 6	Small Groups
March 10	Class 5
March 17	Student Sunday Experience
March 24	Class 6
March 31	Easter – No Class
April 7	Class 7
April 13	Service Project Experience
April 14	Class 8
April 21	Church Service Experience
April 28	Class 9
May 5	Class 10
May 12	No Class
May 19	Confirmation Sunday

All sessions meet during the 10:45am worship service. Students should enter the sanctuary with their families and will go downstairs to the student space when students and children are dismissed. The **Parent Meeting** and **Mentor Get Together** are both in the student space downstairs, directly after class. Parents are encouraged to attend both events.

****The Confirmation Retreat is a mandatory weekend away** at Lake Champion in Glen Spey, NY, which is two hours away. Everyone will leave together on Friday after school and return on Sunday around 2 pm. Arrangements can be made for parents to drive students up or pick them up separately if there are scheduling conflicts.

CONFIRMATION CLASS SCHEDULE

Class 1 – February 4, 2024: Introductions / Parent Meeting After Class

- Orientation and Materials
- Introduction topics:
 - Who is Jesus?
 - Who am I (really)?
 - Who will accept me (really)?
- Homework
 - Write in your journal the favorite Bible passage of one of your parents, grandparents, or mentors. Write 2-3 sentences about why this verse is special to that person.

Class 2 – February 11, 2024: “I Belong to God”

- Sharing time (journals) from last week
- Scripture: 1 Corinthians 6:19-2, 1 Peter 1:18-19
- Catechism Q&A 1-2. Paul’s letter to Timothy (2 Tim)
- Homework
 - From Heidelberg Catechism, write Q&A 1 and 2 in your journal.
 - In your journal, answer the question: how does reading Q1 of the Heidelberg Catechism make you feel?
 - Write down any questions you may have.

Class 3 – February 18, 2024: “I Am a Sinner”/ Mentor Get Together

- Sharing Time (Catechism Q&A 1-2)
- Scripture: Romans 3:23, 1 John 1:8
- Catechism Q&A 3-8
- Homework
 - Write Catechism Q&A 6-8 in your journal.
 - In your journal, give an example of your own life that helps you to understand that you are not a “good person” but actually inclined towards evil.
 - Write down any questions you may have.

WINTER WEEKEND – February 23-25, 2024

- Mandatory weekend away
- More details will be posted on our website.

Class 4 – March 3, 2024: “I Have Been Saved From My Sin”

- Sharing Time (Catechism Q&A 6-8)
- Scripture: Romans 5:8
- Catechism Q&A 9-13 and 18
- Homework:
 - Write Catechism Q&A 18 in your journal.
 - Answer in your journal: What characteristics of Jesus as a savior are you

- grateful for? How come?
- Write down any questions you may have.

SMALL GROUPS – Wednesday, March 6, 2024, 7-9 PM

- Small Groups was developed when we realized that students were desiring a space to talk openly about questions of faith as well as life struggles. We start the night catching up, playing games, and eating pizza and then transition into a time of studying scripture and personal sharing in groups separated by age and gender.
- If this night does not work for you to attend, please let me know. **Confirmands must attend one Small Groups through Confirmation.**

Class 5 – March 10, 2024: “I have a new life in Christ”

- Sharing Time (Catechism Q&A 18)
- Scripture: Colossians 3:1-4
- Catechism Q&A 39, 40, 43, 45, and 59
- Homework:
 - Write Catechism Q&A 59 in your journal.
 - Write a letter to a friend answering Q59. Should be about ½ page to be handed in next week.
 - Write down any questions you may have.

STUDENT SUNDAY EXPERIENCE – March 17, 2024

- Students will go down to the student space when dismissed and experience the student service with all of the students.
- Homework:
 - In your journal, write down what your main takeaway from the talk was and what your experience was like.

Class 6 – March 24, 2024: “I Am God’s Masterpiece”

- Sharing Time (Catechism Q&A 59)
- Scripture: Ephesians 2:8-10
- Catechism Q&A 86, 88, 89, 90
- Homework:
 - Write Catechism Q&A 86-90 in your journal.
 - Answer in your journal: What is an example of how you can “die to your old self” in a realistic way?

EASTER SUNDAY, NO CLASS – March 31, 2024

- Enjoy Easter Sunday with your family by attending one of our worship services!

Class 7 – April 7, 2024: “I Belong to Christ’s Church”

- Sharing Time (Catechism Q&A 86-90)
 - What was writing your letter like?
- Scripture: Acts 2:28, 42-47
- Catechism Q&A 66-68. Sacraments.
- Introduction to Testimony writing.
- Homework:
 - Write Catechism Q&A 66-68 in your journal.
 - In your journal, explain one concept from the questions, using a picture, poem, or paragraph.
 - Write down any questions you may have.

SERVICE PROJECT EXPERIENCE – April 13, 2024

- We are putting our faith into action and partnering with the Fuller Center to rebuild communities in Westchester County!
- All Confirmands are required to join us for a fun and rewarding morning from 9 AM-12 PM to help our local community.
- More information will be sent via email as we get closer to the event.

Class 8 – April 14, 2024: Catechism Review

- Sharing time (church service experience).
- Review all previous material.
- Discuss life verses.
- Homework:
 - Find your life verse by next week.

CHURCH SERVICE EXPERIENCE – April 21, 2024

- Stay upstairs in the main sanctuary during the service
- Homework:
 - Fill out the service observation sheet.

Class 9 – April 28, 2024: “I Have a Story to Tell”

- Testimony examples and how-to’s.
- Homework:
 - Begin writing your Testimony.
 - Please use Google Docs. Share with craig@stanwichchurch.org and allow “comments”

Class 10 – May 5, 2024: “This is Not the End”

- Testimony questions.
- Mentor thank you notes
- Class Wrap up.
- Homework: Finish your Testimony!

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY – May 19, 2024

- Service begins 10:45AM at Stanwich Church, Greenwich location.
- Arrive at 10AM