

Confirmation Ministry

St John Lutheran Church & School



The following requirements are for the 2025-2026 Confirmation Year. Please note that these requirements may change once a new Director of Christian Education is Called to St. John. It is our goal to make this a smooth transition for all our families.

Goals of Program

- Partner with parents to help develop the faith walk of their student
- Prepare students to continue growing in faith beyond confirmation instruction
- Help students be connected to their Christian faith family as they enter high school
- Help students articulate their faith from a Lutheran perspective
- Help students in day school and non-day school to have a connection in faith together

Registration

- Students must register online for Confirmation program (typically in 7th grade)

Sermon Notes

All students must submit 30 Sermon Notes per year (October to October) with a total of 60 due by the Rite of Confirmation

Faith Formation / Biblical Discovery

St. John students must pass following classes:

- 6th Grade students receive instruction on the Old Testament
- 7th Grade students receive instruction on the Gospels
- 8th Grade students receive instruction on the New Testament with a focus on Catechism.

At this time, all students who do not attend St. John School must attend 3 one-day seminars (with a parent). The seminars will be held on: November 8, February 7, and April 11. Seminars are 9:00 – 11:30 AM.

If students are unable to attend one of these seminars they will be required to reach out to Pastor Tyler to get the materials and make-up work.

First Communion Class:

All students must take the class the First Communion class (with a parent). This can be done while the student is in 6th, 7th, or 8th grade. This is a four-week class that typically meets the month before Easter.

Faith Examination and Conversation – For 2nd Year Confirmands Only:

- All students must take a Faith Examination
 - The exam is 50 questions, consisting of multiple choice and short answer
 - Students must pass by at least 75%.
 - The exam must be taken before August 1 of the second year of Confirmation (typically between 8th and 9th grade).

- All students must select a Confirmation Bible Verse (it may not be Jeremiah 29:11) and write a one-page paper on their verse answering the following questions:
 - What does this verse mean to you, your faith, and your faith testimony?
 - What is your plan to continue to grow in your faith?

- All students must meet with one of the pastors to discuss their Faith Paper and Examination.
 - This is a 20-minute meeting meant to be a casual conversation answering any questions the student may have.
 - The meeting must be scheduled by August 1 (between 8th and 9th grade year) and completed by September 1.