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August 4, 2023

Dear Confirmation Participant and Parents,

I am excited to invite your family to participate in Confirmation this year. It is a great joy to have this opportunity to participate in the discipleship journey. I have a passion for teaching and love the middle school age group. I look forward to helping to nurture your faith and walking this road with you. I invite all youth, grade seven and up, to participate in Confirmation.

United Methodists use the term "confirmation" to mark the first time a baptized Christian publicly "confirms" their intention to live the vows of the baptismal and membership covenant and so becomes a professing member of the local congregation and The United Methodist Church.

Throughout the program, students will have an opportunity to participate in class, field trips, service projects, and time with the youth group. All of these aspects of the program are required in addition to the class times. Students will be confirmed on Sunday, May 19, 2024 at the 11 a.m. service in the Sanctuary.

Sunday, September 10

5 - 7 p.m. First Youth Group in Hickey Hall Parent Group Meeting in Parlor

Sunday, September 17

5 - 6 p.m. Required Confirmation Parent Meeting in Rickard Chapel

6 - 7 p.m. We invite parents to join the Parent Group for a meal in the Parlor

5 - 7 p.m. Youth Group

Wednesday, September 20 Registration forms due

The Confirmation fee of \$90 is due with registration forms on September 20.

Saturday, November 4 All Day Retreat in Detroit

Please fill out both sides of the enclosed Confirmation Registration Form/Release Form and the Youth Group Release and Waiver of Liability and mail it to the church office by September 20 to indicate that your child will participate.

A calendar, roster, and program materials (Bible, student guide, etc.) will be distributed at our first class on September 24.

Thank you,

Rev. Dr. April Gutierrez

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Note: Parents with younger children who will need supervision during the Parent Meeting should email Amy Heitman at Amy@stpaulsrochester.org to arrange for childcare.