

Bethesda Lutheran Church

Confirmation Schedule 2010-2011

Class Time: 6:00-8:00 PM

We are using "Here We Stand" Confirmation curriculum which focuses on Small Catechism, Living Faith, and understanding the Bible. 2010-2011 will focus on Living Faith, whereas 2009-2010 focused on understanding the Bible, and 2008-2009 focused on Small Catechism.

September 8, 2010: Parent and Youth Orientation

Saturday 9/11 Service Opportunity: Help with Bethesda Bash, 11 am- 4 pm

September 15, 2010: Misconceptions of the Bible

September 22, 2010: History and Reformation

September 29, 2010: Law + Gospel and Sinner +Saint

October 6, 2010: Love your Neighbor

October 13, 2010: In-Class Retreat and Fall Confirmation planning

Deadline – 9th graders to have a rough outline for service projects (date, location, etc)

October 20, 2010: **No Class, Teacher's Convention weekend**

October 27, 2010: Trick or Treat for the Hungry (normal class time)

**Feel free to dress in costume and plan to bring a box or paper bag for the canned goods. 2 out of church service hours included. Drivers and chaperones needed!*

November 3, 2010: Stewardship and Creation

Deadline - 9th Grade first draft of faith papers due. 9th graders should schedule a time with Pastor Terry and/or Brea to review papers prior to November 13th, and again prior to March 9th. Final draft due 4/17.

Deadline – 9th graders to sign up for which class they would like to lead (youth board)

November 10, 2010: **Celebration of Confirmation - "Nuts about NETS?!" (Central Lutheran, Mpls)**

**Please arrive at Bethesda by 5:30 pm. We will not return until 8:30 pm. Drivers needed! If you are unable to attend this event, let Brea know by October 27th.*

November 13, 2010: Fall Confirmation Rehearsal – 10 and 11 am

(9 am on Sunday = 10 am Saturday, 11 am Sunday= 11 am Saturday)

November 14, 2010: 9th Grade Confirmation at 9 and 11 am services

November 17, 2010: Stewardship of Money

November 24, 2010: **No Class, Thanksgiving Break**

December 1, 2010: **Feed My Starving Children Service Event**

**Please arrive at Bethesda by 5:15. We will return by 8 pm. 2 out of church service hours included. Drivers and chaperones needed!*

9th graders will each be asked to lead discussions and teach one of the regular classes below. 9th graders can meet with Brea or Pastor Terry to discuss the topics, and will be given a full outline of possible discussion questions and leader guide. Please choose your class (sign up on the youth board) by November 3rd.

December 8, 2010: World Religions

December 15, 2010: Neighborhood Christmas Caroling (normal class time, 2 out of church service hours included)

December 22, 2010: **No Class, Christmas Break**

December 29, 2010: **No Class, New Year's Break**

January 5, 2011: Christian Denominations

January 12, 2011: Serving Others Through Vocation

January 19, 2011: Theology of the Cross and Theology of Glory

January 26, 2011: Connecting with God through Prayer

February 2, 2011: Forgiveness

February 9, 2011: Lutheran Worship Practices

February 16, 2011: Saved by Grace through Faith

Saturday, February 19: 30 Hour Famine Retreat 9 am – 4 pm

***Includes 2 hours of out of church service hours: Feed My Starving Children, 9 am- 11 am**

**Be at Bethesda by 8:15 am, chaperones and drivers needed.*

February 23, 2011: Sharing your Faith

March 2, 2011: Faith in the Real World

March 9, 2011: **No Class, Ash Wednesday – Lent Begins**

Deadline: All Confirmand final Faith Papers due.

March 9th – April 23rd, 2011: Attend Wednesday Night Service, help with Lenten dinners

April 17 - April 23, 2011: **Holy Week Services**

April 24, 2011: All Service Hours are to be documented and completed by this date.

Sunday 4/24 Service Opportunity: Serve brunch at 10 am between Easter Services

April 27, 2011: Confirmation celebration!

This schedule reflects:

16 Regular classes

3 Service Opportunities during class time

1 Service Opportunity outside of class time

1 Fellowship Event

1 Celebration Event

1 Confirmation Retreat outside of class time

1 Confirmation Retreat during class time

6 Weeks of Lenten Services

As weather, church/building issues, and discussions intensify, this schedule is subject to change. Our faith is fluid, and so we must be fluid in our planning.

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