

December 3rd, 2025

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Grace and peace to you in Christ.

We are so excited to share an update on our plans for the Confirmation class of 2026. In an effort to be as inclusive as possible, we are sending this letter to all youth in the confirmation age range for whom we have contact information.

If you are unfamiliar with Confirmation, it is an opportunity for students to learn what it truly means to be a Christian and a member of Christ's church. Ultimately, the confirmation experience leads to an opportunity for each student to make a public profession of faith in Christ and to join Immanuel Church as a full member. Our confirmation experience is always one that we encourage youth to participate in because we often see an extraordinary connection between their confirmation experience and youth ministry participation. The vast majority of youth who have participated in confirmation have become consistently involved in our youth ministry where they are given many opportunities to grow in Christ!

Our Confirmation Class of 2026, offered to current 7th grade students and older students who perhaps couldn't participate in the past, will consist of the following:

- 12 Wednesday evening classes beginning on January 7th (Parent Night), which will focus on what we call, "The (16) Absolute Basics of the Christian Faith" and Spiritual Practices.
- A Confirmation Overnight held from January 9th to January 10th, which will focus on team building and service.
- A Confirmation Retreat held from April 24th to April 26th, which will focus on relationship building, worship, and the means of God's grace, which is nearly 2/3 of our experience.
- Confirmation Sunday on May 3rd, where confirmands will have the opportunity to profess their faith in Christ and their intention to join our church, if they so choose.

We are so excited about the possibility of your student(s) joining us on this journey that has meant so much to so many youth. Please see the attached documents for more information and reach out to us with any questions you may have!

If you would like to register your youth for the Confirmation Class of 2026, please go to our website at immanuel-nky.org/ministries/youth and follow prompts for Confirmation.

In Christ's Love,

Jacob Booher

Rev. Dr. Michael Wooton

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2026 CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE

Regular sessions are each **Wednesday** — **6:15-7:45 pm** (unless otherwise noted)
Register online at immanuel-nky.org/ministries/youth. Dinner is provided at Wesley Night at 5:30 PM

Parent Meeting

Sunday, May 3

January 7 – 6:30-7:30 pm Parent Meeting

Wednesday, January 9-10	Confirmation Overnight at Central Campus
Wednesday, January 14	Unit 1: Doctrine of God
Wednesday, January 21	Unit 2: Doctrine of Creation
Wednesday, January 28	Unit 3: Doctrine of the Incarnation
Wednesday, February 4	Unit 4: Doctrine of Salvation
Wednesday. February 11	Unit 5: Doctrine of Salvation Part 2
Wednesday, February 18	No Class – Confirmands are invited to our Ash Wednesday Service
Wednesday, February 25	Unit 6: Doctrine of the Spirit
Wednesday, March 4	Unit 7: Doctrine of the Church
Wednesday, March 11	Unit 8: Doctrine of the Last Things
Wednesday, March 18	Spiritual Practices: Reading Scripture
Wednesday, March 25	Spiritual Practices: Worship and Prayer
Sunday, April 19	Youth Sunday – Confirmands will be asked to participate
Fri – Sat, April 24-26	Confirmation Retreat

Confirmation Sunday

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT CONFIRMATION

Leaders: Jacob Booher - jbooher@immanuel-nky.org - church: 341-5330, ext. 14 - Mobile: 859-663-5640

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COST FOR PARTICIPATION: \$150. This covers the cost of the retreat, overnight, Bibles, curriculum, and other materials.

Financial aid is available by request - please contact Jacob for more information on scholarships.

SERVICE PROJECTS:

Immanuel Food Pantry

January 10th, 7:30 AM – 12:00 PM

CONFIRMATION EVENTS

CONFIRMATION OVERNIGHT AT IMMANUEL – Fri-Sat Jan 9-10, 6pm-2pm (Mandatory)

Arrive: Friday at 6:00 pm for dinner (pizza)

Pick-up: Saturday at 2:00 pm

BRING: Snacks and favorite drinks to share; Confirmation Binders; Bibles; Sleeping bag and pillow; blow

up mattress; change of clothing; sweater and jeans; toiletries etc. Let us know about any medical needs.

Activities: Friday: Games, fellowship, class, team-building, and discussion

Saturday: Service opportunity - Drivers May Be Needed (contact Jacob for information)

CONFIRMATION RETREAT – Fri – Sun April 24-26 (Mandatory)

For most youth this is a highlight of confirmation and for many it is one of the best experiences they've ever had. We will cover 5 sessions worth of class material – so everyone must attend!

Important: There will be more documentation needed (i.e. waivers) as we get closer to this event.

We will leave on Friday afternoon and return on Sunday in the early afternoon. We will send out more details about what we will be doing and what to bring when the retreat gets closer.

OTHER INFORMATION

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY – May 3 - Youth can be Confirmed at either the Modern Worship Service or Traditional Worship Service. We want them to attend and participate in both services to support their class. We will try to honor your service preference, but we may need to divide those being confirmed somewhat equally. Youth will also have an opportunity to be baptized (if not done already) by immersion or sprinkling or to reaffirm their baptism. Family and special friends are encouraged to attend this special Sunday!

CONFIRMATION LUNCH - We will enjoy a reception together after worship services for the confirmands, family friends, and family members on Youth Sunday. You will receive an email with instructions on how to RSVP with the number of people attending. Donations will be collected to help offset the cost of the meal (suggested donation \$10 per person).

Be sure to visit our website, immanuel-nky.org/ministries/youth for more information



Covenant for Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of Confirmand

As the parent(s) or guardian(s) of _	, I recognize the importance of this
special time of preparation for Con	firmation. I understand that this is a process of discernment in which my
child will:	

- Seek a closer relationship with Christ and with his or her peers in the youth group
- Participate in regular classes and make-up sessions
- Engage in worship, service, and camp
- Reach a personal decision as to whether or not they will confirm their faith

I intend to stand with my child through this time in his/her life; therefore, to the best of my ability, and with God's help, I will:

- Support my child in his/her discernment through encouragement, meaningful conversation, and dedication to the confirmation process
- Set an example of committed Christian discipleship and service
- Attend church service with my family and facilitate my child's attendance at worship, confirmation classes, and youth events
- Continue to pray for openness to the Holy Spirit in my life and the life of my family
- Ensure that my child attends each class session. If my child is unable to attend a class, I will make sure that he or she makes up the material in a timely manner
- Ensure that my child attends the Confirmation Overnight, Confirmation Retreat, and Confirmation Practice.
- Clear my child's schedule one Sunday night each month to bring him/her to Youth Group. I understand that connection with one's peers is an important part of the confirmation process and is vital for the growth of one's faith. Therefore, I will bring my child to at least one Sunday night youth group per month.

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