Year Two/Quarter Two

There are two projects for this quarter. The first is due mid-quarter, and the second is due at the end of the quarter (see your deadline checklist).

Project One:

Look up in a hymnal (LSB pg. 292-293) the service for Individual Confession and Absolution. Read it over, and then answer the following questions:

- How can individual confession and absolution with a pastor be beneficial?
- What does it mean to confess specific sins?
- Why would you want to confess specific sins?
- What do you think about the pastor announcing that "his forgiveness is God's forgiveness"?
- Of the psalms suggestions that are listed at the end of the service, which one would you consider your favorite? Why?

Project Two:

- You will soon have the opportunity to participate in Holy Communion. Please write a paragraph or more explaining what you are looking forward to about communing, what you are unsure about, and any questions you may have about the upcoming experience.
- If you are not communing in a Lutheran church, please summarize the Lutheran doctrine of communion.

Year Two/Quarter four

There are three things due this quarter. The completed portfolio, along with the following assignments, will be presented to the elders for Testimony Night.

- A copy of the Rite of Confirmation that will be followed at your Confirmation is included in your binder. Review this Rite with your parents and discuss the vows you will be making. Discuss why they feel you are ready to be confirmed. Then, submit a letter of recommendation **from your parents** for you to be confirmed. The letter should be addressed to the pastors and signed by at least one parent. The letter can be as simple as a line stating they feel you are ready for confirmation. On the other hand, your parents can also take this opportunity to record for you their thoughts and feelings as you complete your confirmation instruction. They might describe the spiritual growth they have seen in the past two years as well as their hopes and prayers for you in the future.
- Submit a similar letter from your confirmation mentor recommending you to be confirmed.
- Select three ministries (other than youth group) at St. Peter's in which you would like to participate. List your choices in order of preference and in at least a half page indicate why you chose the ones you did. For ideas on the ministry opportunities, check out the Share section in the weekly News & Notes church e-newsletter.