

2026 - 2027 CONFIRMATION CLASS

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CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE

Take the Next Step in Your Faith Journey

Confirmation is an opportunity for high school students and their parents to explore what it means to follow Christ, belong to the church, and live out their faith as Presbyterians.

Through learning, conversation, reflection, and community, confirmands will ask meaningful questions, deepen their understanding of faith, and prepare to take an important step toward membership in the church.

Class occurs between 10:05 -11:30am an estimated three Sundays a month in Abbey 27 Classroom, beginning September 13, 2027.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

March 14, 2027 - Faith Statements for confirmands (and parents) are due.

April 13, 2027 - Confirmation Dinner – Confirmands and Parents attend Session meeting 5:30-7:00pm (5:30pm dinner in Refectory, 6:30pm meeting in St. Andrews Hall; Confirmands may leave meeting at approximately 7:00pm)

***May 9, 2027 is Confirmation Sunday and Youth Sunday!**

CLASS TIME AND LOCATION:

Confirmants and parents meet at 10:00am in Abbey 27 and Abbey 28. Each class begins with confirmants and parents together before separating into their respective classrooms.

ATTENDANCE & PARTICIPATION

Confirmation is a shared journey for confirmands and their parents. Both are expected to attend regularly and participate fully throughout the year. If you will be absent, please notify Sarah Ford, Jim Devlin, or Dom Skilton.

Confirmants are also expected to participate in one fall retreat and one spring retreat.

FAITH STATEMENTS

Throughout the Confirmation journey, confirmands and parents will reflect on and articulate their faith through a Statement of Faith, which is due March 14, 2027.

Faith Statements may take many forms, including a written statement, artwork, devotional, song, poetry, or another creative expression. Confirmands will work with teachers, parents, and fellow students as they explore their faith, deepen their understanding of the church, and consider what they believe. Faith and learn about the church through this process of faith formation, exploration and development.

Please contact Sarah Ford at sford@kirkinthehills.org or 757-705-3413, Jim Devlin at 248-318-0377 or Dom Skilton at 586-200-9272 for more information.

FALL 2026 - SPRING 2027 CONFIRMATION TOPICS AND CLASS SCHEDULE:

**Unless otherwise stated, Confirmation Class takes place in the Abbey Lounge at 10:15am - 11:45am most Sundays.*

SEPTEMBER 2026

9/20/26: Who is Jesus, What is Confirmation – Expectations – *Joint class with parents and youth*

9/27/26: Cedar Point Outing
(*Meet at Heritage Hall at 8:00am*)

OCTOBER 2026

10/4/26: Faith Statement, Bible Review

10/11/26: What is the Church? What is the Presbyterian Church? What do we believe?
(*Confirmation and High School Pathfinders Youth Group Retreat (10/9/26-10/11/26)*)

10/18/26: Reformation and Christian Church History with Nicene Crede
(**Class material includes Nicene Crede*)

NOVEMBER 2026

11/01/26: Sacraments and Westminster Catechism with Apostles Crede
(**Class material includes copy of Apostles Crede*)

11/08/26: The Early Church

11/15/26: The Gospels

11/22/26: The Gospels

DECEMBER 2026

12/06/26: Case for Christmas, Lee Strobel
(*Book review*)

12/13/26: Case for Christmas, Evangelism
Led by Pastor Matthew Means

12/20/26: Case for Christmas (*Come to class with your review and Old Testament Introduction*)
Led by Sarah Ford

JANUARY 2027

1/17/27: Faith Statement Check-in and Old Testament Part II, *Led by Sarah Ford*

1/31/27: Pentateuch (First 5 Books, Law), Jesus Came to Fulfill the Law: Trinity and Review of Islam, *Led by Pastor Rami*

FEBRUARY 2027

02/14/27: Law and Prophets

2/21/27: God the Father (*Faith statements due for review from the confirmands and parents – including a reading of confirmands to parents and parents confirmands of statements*)

MARCH 2027

3/07/27: God the Son

3/21/27: God the Holy Spirit

3/07/27: Sin, Repentance, Grace with Sacraments

3/14/27: Pauline Letters (*Faith Statements are due*)

3/21/27: Book of Revelation

APRIL 2027

4/04/27: Apologetics

4/11/27: The Importance of Defending your Faith, including Expressing Doubt with Faith Statement Review, Confirmands Discuss with Parents, Parents Discuss with Kids, Session Meeting Prep for April 13, 2027 Dinner

4/18/27: What is the Kirk, Outreach and Mission, Ministry Overview, *Led by Rev. Marilyn Borst*

MAY 2027

5/02/27: What does membership and service to the church mean to you and play out in your life, *Led by a Youth Elder*

5/09/27: Confirmation Sunday and Youth Sunday
(*All confirmands are expected to attend worship.*)

**No Class, but 9:00 am worship is mandatory*