

# Confirmation Class of 2025: Class Calendar

## CLASS DATES:

September 15, 22, 29

October 6, 20

November 3, 10\*, 17

*\*November 10<sup>th</sup> class will take place during the Fall Youth Retreat*

December 1, 8, 15

January 12, 19

February 2, 9, 16

March 2, 9, 16, 23

April 6\*, 13,

*April 8\* Confirmation Dinner and Confirmands attend Session meeting 5:30-7pm (5:30pm dinner in Refectory, 6:30pm meeting in St. Andrews Hall; confirmands may leave meeting at apx 7pm)*

May 4

*May 11<sup>th</sup> is Confirmation Sunday and Youth Sunday*

## IMPORTANT DATES:

**\*Statement of Faith due April 6<sup>th</sup> in electronic version, please email to Sarah Ford at [sford@kirkinthehills.org](mailto:sford@kirkinthehills.org)**

**\*Confirmand Dinner April 8<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm in Refectory at Kirk in the Hills with pastors and members of session**

**\*Confirmands attend Session meeting 6:30-7pm on April 8<sup>th</sup> in St. Andrews Hall**

**\*Confirmation Sunday and Youth Sunday is May 11<sup>th</sup> which all confirmands are expected to attend**

## LOCATION AND CLASS TIME:

Confirmands and Parents meet at 10am in Abbey 27 and Abbey 28. Confirmands and Parents meet together for the first few minutes of class and then meet separately in their own classrooms.

## DETAILS:

Confirmands and parents should be prepared to attend nearly every class. Sarah Ford, Jim Devlin, or Dom Skilton should be notified of absences.

Confirmands should be prepared to attend one fall retreat and one spring retreat.

Confirmands should be prepared to create a thoughtful statement of faith nearing the end of the course, due April 6<sup>th</sup>. Preparing a thoughtful statement of faith can take many shapes, including preparing a written statement, creating an art piece, writing a devotional, song, or piece of poetry to name a few examples. Confirmands are encouraged to work with their teachers and fellow students to explore their faith and learn about the church through this process of faith formation, exploration and development.

Confirmands should be prepared to attend a pre-session dinner on April 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm in the Refectory at Kirk in the Hills, where they will share a meal with the pastors and members of session. They should be prepared to discuss their statements of faith in this setting. Following dinner, the confirmands will be expected to attend the 6:30 Session meeting in St. Andrews Hall where they should be prepared to discuss their statements of faith and answer questions. This is when the Confirmands will be Affirmed by the Session to become members of the church and is integral that they attend. Confirmands should plan on the dinner and meeting time commitment to be 5:30-7pm.

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

## CONFIRMATION TOPICS AND CLASS SCHEDULE: \*TOPICS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

- 9/15/24: What is confirmation – Expectation – Joint class with parents and youth
- 9/22/24: Outreach and Mission with Amy Davis
- 9/29/24: Sacraments
- 10/6/24: Trinity
- 10/13/24: *No Class*
- 10/20/24: Reformation and Christian Church History with Bob Beck
- 10/27/24: *No Class*
- 11/3/24: The Bible – Learning the Books of the Bible
- 11/10/24: November 8-10 Fall Retreat at the Devlin Cabin
- 11/17/24: What Does it Mean to be a Disciple of Jesus
- 11/24/24: *No Class*
- 12/1/24: *No Class*
- 12/8/24: Commandments
- 12/15/24: Jesus' Earthly Life Timeline
- 12/22/24: *No Class*
- 12/29/24: *No Class*
- 1/5/25: Paul's Letters
- 1/12/25: How Do We Replace a Pastor that the Lord Called Elsewhere
- 1/19/25: Mission/Stewardship
- 1/26/25: *No Class*
- 2/2/25: PC(US) Structure and Governance with Chip Hardwick – Joint Class
- 2/9/25: Church
- 2/16/25: Sin and Grace
- 2/23/25: *No Class*
- 3/2/25: Confessions and Creeds
- 3/9/25: Class Topic TBD
- 3/16/25: God the Father
- 3/23/25: Class Topic TBD
- 3/30/25: *No Class*
- 4/6/25: God the Son and God the Holy Spirit **\*Statements of Faith due on this date\***
- 4/13/25: What makes a Presbyterian
- 4/27/25: High School Retreat Weekend (April 25-27, 2025) – Confirmands plan to attend
- 5/4/25: Review for following week, Confirmation Sunday and How does Service to the Church play out in your life – what does Confirmation mean to you!
- 5/11/25: Confirmation Sunday and Youth Sunday \*No Class, but 9am worship is mandatory