

The Board of Elders have created this standard for Confirmation.

It is the hope of Our Savior Lutheran Church that during this special time in your child's life, they will come to know their Savior more closely. The following is a list of the requirements for the class.

**Attendance:** A Confirmation student will be in church and confirmation class 80% of the year.

**Homework, Memory, Tests:** Weekly memory and homework will be given to each student and discussed / corrected the following week in class. Parents must sign each assignment before the student goes to class that week. Any memory or test that receives a failing grade must be retaken until a passing grade is achieved.

**Service Hours:** A confirmation student will serve 5 hours throughout the year, serving the church in some way. Activities must be pre-approved by Pastor Williams or Jeff Armstrong. These activities could include VBS, Turkey Supper, 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration, etc.

**Sermon Outlines:** Two sermon outlines will be done and turned into class each month. Any combination of two is acceptable. Forms are found in the Narthex.

**Acolyting:** During confirmation, students will serve in worship as Acolytes. They will arrive to church by 9:20 am and robe in the Vestry. Acolyting is an important part of our worship as the lighting of the candles symbolizes the presence of God as well as the smoke from the candles symbolizing our prayers and petitions going up into heaven. Please refrain from the following:

1. No gum chewing.
2. Please do not wear flip-flop type shoes. They make a lot of noise on concrete floors.

**Questioning:** It is required that all 8<sup>th</sup> grade confirmation students be at questioning. This is the time that they will publicly profess their faith. This is the last step before being confirmed. Questioning will be on Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> and Confirmation will be on Palm Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>

It is recommended that 7<sup>th</sup> grade students be present for questioning to get an idea of what is to come.

This also is the time that your child may participate in Jr. CIA (Christians In Action). We meet from 4:30 – 6:00 pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month and go on outings throughout the year, do service projects go on retreats. It's a great way for them to get to know each other and get involved in their church.

If you have any questions, please feel to contact:

1. Pastor Williams: Assistant Pastor and Confirmation Teacher
2. Jeff Armstrong: Director of Youth and Parish Education