

## ***CONFIRMATION CLASS 2010–2011***

We are excited to have your youth participate in this year's NEW and IMPROVED Confirmation Class! We know that middle school is an exciting time and that commitments pile up and activities abound in the life of a busy family. Please make sure these dates are on your calendar.

**9 Wednesday Evenings in the Fall of 2010**

Dinner: 6:00 Class: 6:30-7:45

**1 Day Retreat**

September 11, 2010

**13 Wednesday Evenings in the Winter/Spring of 2011**

Dinner: 6:00 Class: 6:30-7:45

**Holiday/Special Activities**

TBA

**1 Weekend Retreat**

April 8-10, 2011

*We will travel to Asheville and participate in Asheville Youth Missions which is a program specifically geared for our age group. AYM provides weekend mission/spirituality immersion retreats and will involve our youth in hands-on mission in the Asheville area. James and Chandler will lead and some parents are needed as extra chaperones.*

**Confirmation Celebration Dinner**

TBA (Spring 2011)

**Confirmation Sunday**

Sunday May 8, 2011

What does confirmation mean? Through class and the processes of one's own heart and mind we seek for each participant to "confirm" the promises made for them in baptism, or to prepare to confirm these promises in their own baptism – to know and follow Jesus Christ as Lord, and to seek to serve him through the church and in the world.

Confirmation calls for those in the class to make a commitment. Coming to class, attending worship on Sunday, taking on responsibilities in the life of the church (examples: nursery duty, 68er bells, and other things) are part of this commitment. If you are not already attending Sunday School or 68ers Youth Fellowship, these are ways, too, to be responsible members of the church.

Parents, too, are making a commitment. We encourage Parents to participate in the life of the church alongside each of our new confirmands. Certainly, each week at home it is good to discuss what is being learned in class.

Resources: Each person in class will need a Bible. If you are planning to purchase one, select the New Revised Standard Version (that is what we use in worship) or the New International Version, or even the New King James Version. The conventional King James Version is nice to own and to use for personal devotion, but its vocabulary and grammar is archaic and confusing for use in a class of middle schoolers.

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