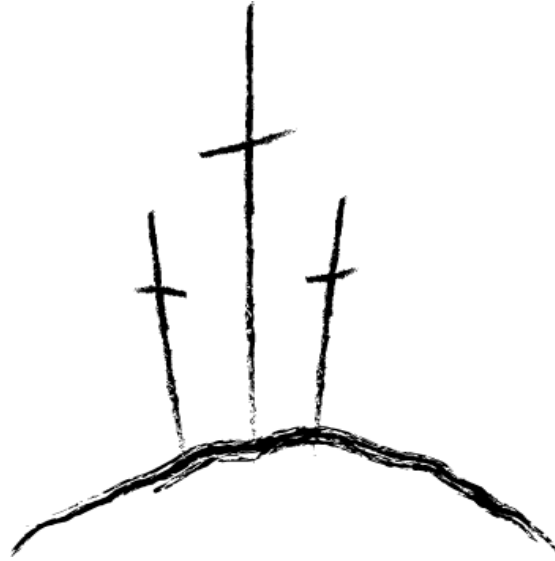


Crown of Glory Lutheran Church
Confirmation Ministry
Live By Faith!



“I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.”
Galatians 2:20

Who Are We?

“Crown of Glory seeks to encourage and strengthen a lifestyle of discipleship in Jesus Christ among our young people through the practicing of our faith in worship, service to others in our community and our day to day service to God.” Confirmation at Crown of Glory is a three year program that begins in the fall of the 6th grade and is completed with the Rite of Confirmation in 9th grade.

We affirm that a lifestyle of discipleship is characterized by:

- † An appreciation for a spirit-filled worship setting.
- † Familiarization with the Bible and its teachings.
- † Active fellowship with peers and adults in the congregation.
- † Genuine appreciation and respect for other students, staff and participants.

The Confirmation develops this lifestyle of discipleship through these various components:

- Regular attendance at the Wednesday large group event: “*The Gathering*” and small group discussion.
- Opportunities to perform *Service in Church* and *Service in the Community* events that enrich and strengthen our faith.
- Active and regular participation in worship and the completion of Worship Notes.
- Sharing fellowship at scheduled *Family Nights* and other special events.
- Through the study of scripture, prayer and faithful living.

If your son/daughter has NOT been baptized or has NOT received instruction for Holy Communion please contact one of the Pastors at 448-3230.

Expectations for Confirmation

Confirmation Fees:

The fee for the 2010-2011 Confirmation is \$80 per youth. This fee covers the cost of our guest speakers, special events and trips, the end-of-year celebration and travel expenses to/from special events. *Note: Scholarships are available upon request.* Be assured that no student/family will be turned away from Confirmation due to limited financial resources. Please contact Pastor Reggie privately for more information.

Baptismal Promises: Attention Parents

We expect and encourage parents to be supportive and actively involved in your son/daughter's Confirmation experience here at Crown of Glory. We want the very best for your son/daughter through spiritual growth, fellowship, worship, experience and learning. During Orientation parents will be asked to help organize some events, act as a driver or chaperone, be a substitute for your child's small group guide or assist in one of our program/service areas.

Regular attendance at Confirmation is expected of all students. An absent student will have a significant impact on the entire group. If transportation problems arise for your family please contact the staff to assist in arranging a ride to and from the church.

Confirmation Wednesday Night Schedule

- 5:30-6:30 pm Family Dinner
- 6:45-7:25 pm Large Group "Gathering"
- 7:30-8:00 pm Small Group discussion time
- 8:00-8:10 pm Closing meditation & Group Blessing

Confirmation Wednesday Evening Schedule:

Dinner for all youth and their families is served every Wednesday from 5:30pm-6:30pm. The cost is \$3 per youth or \$10 per family. Meals are prepared by families and Confirmation small groups. Following dinner, the "Gathering" is from 6:45-7:25pm.

Following our large group event; students break into small groups according gender and grade. Each small group is facilitated and mentored by adult leaders. All Confirmation small groups meet from 7:30-8:00pm. Finally, at 8:00pm students and small group leaders are invited to the gathering area outside the sanctuary for a closing meditation and prayer time to end the evening.

The confirmation program offers a wide variety growth opportunities and flexibility for each person to partner and walk in their faith journey. The program incorporates traditional teaching components, a spiritual and enriching worship experience and a Christ centered message that teaches youth about our Christian faith and traditions.

Family Dinner

On a rotational basis throughout the year your son/daughter's small group will be in charge of preparing and serving the Family Dinner that is from 5:30-6:30pm on Wednesday nights. Small groups will choose what they serve from a provided menu. Desserts are provided by the Confirmation Small Group serving the meal each week. Small Group Leaders will contact you in advance of your serving date. This is one service event that is an enriching way for parents to participate.

Wednesday evening meal duties may include: Food preparation, overseeing the youth set the serving table, operating the stove or oven to warm food, serving, clean-up and other supervisory roles when needed. All meals will be ordered prior to Wednesday evening; there is generally very little preparation.

Family Nights

Family Nights are designed for Confirmation *students and their families* to connect, learn and communicate with one another by experiencing a "Family Evening" where learning about our faith and having fun go hand in hand. Our *Family Nights* schedule for this coming Confirmation program year will be:

#1 Wednesday November 3, 2010 Crown of Glory welcomes Christian Hip-hop artist *Agape...* (*David Scherer*). We are excited to welcome *Agape* as he shares his faith story and his musical talents with us!

#2 Wednesday February 16, 2011 Crown of Glory welcomes Christian Comedian Improv group *Comedysportz!* This event is a congregational family event! All are invited to attend for a great night of laughs!

Both of these events will begin at 6:30pm and end at approximately 8:00p.m.;

With dinner starting at 5:30pm.

For more information please contact Pastor Reggie Klindworth at pastorreggie@crownofglory.org

SERMON WORSHIP NOTES

A total of **20** worship notes are **required** each Confirmation program year. **4** of them must be completed during the Lenten mid-week services; **1** of which **MUST** be Ash Wednesday. Our Ash Wednesday Service this year will be on March 9, 2010. We feel the importance of worship attendance and full participation in the services will be better experienced by close concentration on the message of the day. Worship notes will help teach the Confirmands to focus on a particular topic and apply its message to his/her daily faith journey.

Important things to remember:

- Worship Notes are located in the narthex. Complete the Worship Note as you worship and then deposit in the basket marked "Completed Worship Notes" which is also located in the narthex.
- There will be **NO** Small Group meetings during our Lenten Season. (**March 9** through **April 13, 2011**).
- Worship Notes for the 2010-2011 Confirmation year need to be completed by **August 31, 2011**.
- Worship/Sermon notes from other churches will be accepted if they are accompanied by a bulletin from the congregation. If a Worship/Sermon note is not available, please use a blank sheet of paper and follow the same format we use and be sure it is signed by an adult.

LARGE GROUP SERVICE PROJECTS

Service in the Community

Four Service in Community projects will be required during the confirmation year.

- ✝ Our first service event will on **Wednesday, September 29, 2010**. We will be participating in a community wide Food Drive to support the local Chaska Food Shelf. **NOTE: Parent Drivers will be needed for this event.**
- ✝ Our second service event will be fundraiser to benefit the Minneapolis Area Synod *Celebration of Confirmation/Compassion* event. The theme for this year's event will focus on the LMI or "Lutheran Malaria Initiative". This fundraiser will **begin September 15, 2010 and end November 3, 2010**. Students will be asked to bring a weekly offering during the Gathering.
- ✝ Our third service project will be our Christmas event on **Wednesday, December 15, 2010**, "*Give a gift...Be a Gift!*" Students will purchase Christmas gifts for children in the Chaska area.
- ✝ Our fourth service event will be on **Wednesday, April 6, 2011**. Confirmands will be serving at the Chanhassen "*Feed My Starving Children*"!

Special Events

- ✝ **Crown of Glory Lock-In!** Our Lock-in is scheduled for **Saturday October 16** starting at 9:00pm for all 6th - 8th grade youth. This event will include games, refreshments, worship, fellowship, a Bible study, a talent show and much more! The cost of the event is only \$3 per youth (*Note: This event is not covered under the Confirmation Fee*).
- ✝ Minneapolis Area Synod **Celebration of Confirmation/Compassion** event. The theme for this year's event will focus on the LMI or "Lutheran Malaria Initiative", their goal is the education and prevention of Malaria in Africa. This event is scheduled at Central Lutheran Church in Minneapolis on **Wednesday November 10, 2010!** This will give our students the opportunity to worship and celebrate with hundreds of youth from the metro area. Bus service will be provided. We will be leaving Crown of Glory at approximately **5:00pm** and returning at approximately **9:30pm**. We realize that is will be a late night for everyone, but the experience will be well worth it. Confirmands are encouraged to bring an offering to the *Gathering* each week up to the time of the LMI event. Funds collected will go directly to LMI in support of this important ministry.
- ✝ **Tubing Night!** On **Wednesday, January 26, 2011** all Confirmation students will be going to *Buck Hill* in Burnsville for an evening of tubing! Bus service will be provided. There will be no Large or Small Group event for this evening. Departure/Return times TBD.
- ✝ **Confirmation Field Trips** will be assigned according to grade in the months of **January and February**. Each grade will participate in an annual field trip. The 6th grade students will attend a funeral home to learn a different aspect of ministry and life. The 7th grade students will the Carver County Jail. And the 8th grade students will attend a Jewish Synagogue to experience and learn about the traditions of the Jewish faith (*Date subject to change*). Departure/Return times TBD as per grade and field trip.

Memorization: The Apostles Creed

This year students will be expected to know and recite the Apostles Creed (and in their own words describe its meaning) to their small group leader, Pastor Reggie, Sherri Taylor, or their parent. Students have until **May 18, 2011** to complete this requirement. Each student will be given a copy of "*Luther's Small Catechism*" that lists the parts of the Apostles Creed and meaning.

Memorization: The Gospels

This year students will be expected to memorize 3 Bible verses from one of the four Gospels; *Matthew, Mark, Luke, or John*. Students are welcome to pick any three Bible verses they choose from the Gospels. All 3 Bible verses do not have to be from the same Gospel. They may recite them to their small group leader, Pastor Reggie, Sherri Taylor or their parent. Students have until **May 18, 2011** to complete this requirement.

Confirmation Camp 2011

Confirmation Camp is a valuable experience for youth in their journey of faith. Confirmation camp offers students the opportunity to grow in their faith and witness other youth model a Christian lifestyle. Beginning the summer of 2011, all Confirmation age youth will attend Confirmation Camp at Green Lake Bible Camp. All students will be required to attend Confirmation Camp **AT LEAST** one summer out of their 6th – 8th grade Confirmation experience. Confirmation students are welcome to attend camp all three years if they choose. Confirmation students are welcome to choose which summer they attend camp.

Camp Dates: Confirmands will be attending the designated "Crown of Glory" Bible camp week. Schedules will be determined by **September 2010**; Green Lake Bible Camp publishes their 2011 camp calendar by mid-September.

Scholarships and Campership Fundraiser: Crown of Glory will provide each student attending camp with a partial scholarship to help defray the cost of camp. Students will participate in a Campership Fundraiser during the Lenten season. These funds will go to offset the cost of Confirmation Camp for students.

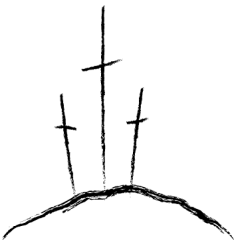
Be assured that no student/family will be turned away from Confirmation Camp due to limited financial resources. Please contact Pastor Reggie privately, for more information on additional camp scholarships.

8th Grade Confirmation WAPO Retreat 2011

All 8th grade students will attend a 2 day Faith Retreat at **Wapo Lutheran Bible Camp** from *Friday, August 19 - Sunday August 21, 2011*. This retreat is in preparation for each students Affirmation of Faith service held on Confirmation Sunday. Details will be mailed to each student's family. Please reserve this date on your calendar.

Reminder Regarding Electronics

To insure that the Confirmation students are able to spend their time at church focusing on their faith development and to avoid unnecessary distractions, they are asked to leave all forms of electronic equipment at home. This includes items such as MP3s, PSP, Gameboys, CD players, Ipods, etc. *If* a cell phone is required for communication to home, we ask that it be turned off and kept out of sight. Any device that becomes a distraction during the confirmation evening will be confiscated and returned at a later time.



Crown of Glory Lutheran Church CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

"I no Longer I live, but Christ lives in me..."



STUDENT:

Name: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____ **School Grade:** _____

Baptized: Yes No **Date:** _____ **First Communion:** Yes No **Member:** Yes No

Cell Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

PARENTS:

Name: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____ **Member:** Yes No

Married: Yes No **Marriage Date:** _____ **Baptized:** Yes No **Confirmed:** Yes No

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____ **Work Phone:** _____

Home Email: _____ **Work Email:** _____

Please let us know your preference for being contacted: _____

Name: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____ **Member:** Yes No

Baptized: Yes No **Confirmed:** Yes No

Cell Phone: _____ **Work Phone:** _____

Home Email: _____ **Work Email:** _____

Please let us know your preference for being contacted: _____

2010-2011 Confirmation **Registration Fee \$80.00** (Make checks payable to Crown of Glory)

Special Note for Parents: Please answer the following questions regarding your son/daughter. Confirmation is considered "open enrollment"; students DO NOT need to be 'members' of Crown of Glory to attend/participate in the Confirmation program.

Crown of Glory CONFIRMATION COVENANT

Before God and this Church,

AS YOUR PASTOR AND DIRECTOR OF CONFIRMATION WE WILL:

- *Love and encourage you, care for you and support you and your families;*
- *Meet with you and your family prior to the beginning of Confirmation;*
- *Provide enriching instruction in the Confirmation program for your spiritual growth;*
- *Be available to you for counseling, special needs and guidance;*
- *Lead you and your families in regular worship every Sunday;*
- *Conduct the Rite of Confirmation for you when you have satisfactorily completed the Confirmation program at Crown of Glory.*

Pastor Reggie Klindworth

Pastor Reggie Klindworth

September 8, 2010

Date

Sherri Taylor

Confirmation Coordinator

September 8, 2010

Date

AS A CONFIRMATION STUDENT, I WILL:

- *Bring with me a positive attitude to my Confirmation class, realizing that I am here by my own choice;*
- *Worship regularly on Sunday mornings;*
- *Complete 20 Worship notes, 4 during Lent; Attend Ash Wednesday worship;*
- *Attend Wednesday Large Group Gatherings and service/fellowship time with my small group;*
- *Complete to the best of my ability my Confirmation course work and participate with my small group;*
- *Attend confirmation orientation and special events which are an expected part of each year;*
- *Complete at least the minimum number of service projects expected each year.*

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

AS A FAMILY, I/WE WILL:

- *Make sure our confirmand is on time for all classes, events, retreats and camps;*
- *Attend worship regularly with our confirmand on Sunday and attend the orientation at the beginning of the year and participate in all Family Nights;*
- *Pray regularly for our confirmand and his/her spiritual growth and development during the course of each year;*
- *Work with our confirmand to help him/her complete the course and service work assigned;*
- *Notify the small group leader when our confirmand will not be able to attend class and take responsibility for making sure the assignment work is done at home;*
- *Review all Progress Reports and other communications regarding our confirmand, and where there are problems, work with his/her small group leader to resolve them;*
- *Serve as a parent volunteer to organize, chaperone or assist in one of the needed programs.*

Parents: _____ and _____

Date: _____

Crown of Glory Service in the Church Registration

Service in the Church

6 *Service in Church* POINTS will be required during the confirmation year; from 2 separate categories or events.
Each category or event is worth 1 POINT.

**I would like to sign-up for the following Service in the Church credits.
(Please select two different areas that you would like to serve).**

- Acolyte during a worship service. (1 Point = Acolyte at 1 Service) _____
- Serve as a Sunday school Assistant. (1 Point = Assist at 1 hour of S.S) _____
- Serve as an usher or greeter. (1 Point = Usher/Greet at 1 Service) _____
- Operate multi-media during worship events. (1 Point = Serve at 1 Service) _____
- Serve as a Communion Assistant (1 Point = Assist at 1 Service) _____
- Serve as assistant in the nursery (1 Point = Assist at 1 Service) _____
- Congregational Scripture Reader (1 Point = Read at 1 Service) _____
- Students may make suggestions for Service in the Church events: ____ (See below)

My Suggested Service in the Church Activity:

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____