

Confirmation Syllabus:

8th Grade
2008

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Texts:

Explanation of Luther's Small Catechism
Bible
Notebook/Journal

Description:

A study in the teachings of the Bible as expressed in Lutheran thought.

Goals:

Students need to begin the process of owning their faith. As they become more independent and abstract thinkers, this course is designed to teach them the Lutheran expression of basic Biblical doctrines, in the hopes that their faith becomes more real, loved and understood.

In addition to Lutheran thought, students will be exposed to the ecumenical and traditional teachings of the church so that they can embrace a part of their spiritual/historical heritage and converse with brothers and sisters in the Church universal.

Pastor Hillman's Hints for a Happier Life (requirements):

Students are expected to attend all classes. In absence in more than two classes with result in failure of the course (this means the student will have to repeat the course next year)

There is not much memorization, what memorization there is, it is expected the student know on the given dates. Failure to know given memorization passages will result in additional/extra papers on that subject.

Students must take notes at Sunday services and submit them each week. It is expected the student interact with the sermon and the confirmation material. Since sermons will generally follow confirmation topics this fall, this should not be a problem.

Talking and disruptions are a common challenge with this age group. As such a VERY strict line will be drawn. We only have an hour a week and we need to get the most out of it. Students who are disruptive will be warned to stop. If the disruptions continue than a paper

assignment will be issued. This paper will involve research at a level fitting for 8th graders. The student is not allowed to return to class until the assignment is completed. Students who miss class because their paper is not finished will still be counted as “absent.”

NO CELL PHONES or ELECTRONICS (ipods etc.) are allowed in the classroom. Do not bring them, they will be taken away!!! Repeated offences will result in paper assignments.

Confirmation can be fun, but I take it seriously. The Church is not required to confirm anyone, so please be respectful and abide by the rules. I anticipate we'll have a great year if these things are followed.

Bruce Hillman's Confirmation Class 8th Grade

Date	Subject	Q's	Memo
September 24, 2008	Orientation		
October 1, 2008	Bible	1-12	Romans 8:1 (theme verse)
October 8, 2008	Law	13-27	II Tim. 3:16
October 15, 2008	Decalog:1-2	28-45	Rom. 3:20
October 22, 2008	Decalog:3-4	46-66	Luke 10:27
October 29, 2008	Decalog: 5-6	67-83	Review former verses
November 5, 2008	Decalog: 7-8	84-96	Same
November 12, 2008	Decalog: 9-10	97-119	Same/Review verses
November 19, 2008	Creed	120-131	John 3:36
November 26, 2008	No class		
December 3, 2008	1st Article	132-142	Acts 4:12
December 10, 2008	1st Article	143-156	5 parts of Christ's humiliation
December 17, 2008	2nd Art	157-163	
December 24, 2008	No class		Review all above memorization
December 31, 2008	No class		
January 7, 2008	2nd Art	164-183	
January 14, 2008	2nd Art	184-205	Acts 1:8
January 21, 2008	3rd Art	206-231	
January 28, 2008	3rd Art	232-255	Lord's Prayer
February 4, 2008	3 rd Art	256-272	I Peter 3:21-22
February 11, 2008	Lord's Prayer	273-288	
February 18, 2008	Lord's Prayer	289-303	Review all
February 25, 2008	Lord's Prayer	304-329	Review all
March 4, 2008	Sacraments	330-333	
March 11, 2008	Sacrament: Baptism	330-350	
March 18, 2008	Baptism	351-363	
March 25, 2008	Communion	364-382	
April 1, 2008	Conclusion	383-387	Review All