

Confirmation Mentor Program 2023

Who is a mentor and what do they do? A mentor is an adult member of St. John's Lutheran Church (*not in your immediate family and not someone who already works with the youth group*), who you will choose. If you are a boy, your mentor should be a man and if you are a girl, your mentor should be a woman. You will meet with this person "one-on-one" during 4 one-hour sessions between now and October 29th, 2023. If you are not being confirmed this year, you will meet with your mentor again each year until you are confirmed. You can choose a time and location for your meetings that works with both of your schedules in person.

What do you need to do?

- 1) Find someone to be your mentor or contact the church office for help.
- 2) Contact the church office **By October 9th** and give the following information:
 - a.) your mentor's name
 - b.) For 9th Graders Only- your date of birth
 - c.) For 9th Graders Only- your baptismal date/location [*if you've been baptized*]
 - d.) For 9th Graders Only- and have your parents email the church office a baby picture of you in color!

When asking someone to be your mentor you may wish to discuss with them the following:

Purpose of the Mentor Program:

The Mentor Program at St. John's Lutheran church is designed to enrich the Confirmation experience by helping each confirmation student:

- Develop a caring and supportive relationship with an adult member of St. John's.
- Discover opportunities for participating in and serving within our church and community.
- Develop an enthusiasm for remaining active within the church beyond Confirmation.
- Develop a deeper understanding of faith in Jesus and commitment to live as a disciple.

Expectations of a Mentor:

- Meet with your designated Confirmand 4 times between now and the Confirmation Sunday in October 29th. If you are not being confirmed this year, you will meet with your mentor again each year until you are confirmed. Scheduling these meetings is the responsibility of the Confirmand and Mentor. These meetings can take place at church or at any other agreed upon location.
- A packet with discussion sheets for each meeting will be provided. These sheets are available from the church office. You can also email the church office for an electronic copy.
- Introduce your Confirmand during their 9th grade year during the "Affirmation of Baptism" portion of worship on the Confirmation Sunday, the last Sunday in October, at the specified worship service.