

Note

**CONFIRMATION RETREAT** at Outlaw Ranch  
**SATURDAY, SEPT 22 - SUNDAY, SEPT 23**

**2018-19 Schedule** (subject to change)

SEPT 12	Intros & Ice Cream Social
SEPT 19	Lesson #1 <i>Getting Started with the Bible</i>
SEPT 26	Lesson #2 <i>Creation</i>
OCT 3	Lesson #3 <i>The Human Condition</i>
OCT 10	Lesson #4 <i>The Flood</i>
OCT 17	Lesson #5 <i>Sarah, Hagar &amp; Abraham</i>
OCT 24	<b>NO CLASS – TRUNK or TREAT</b>
OCT 31	<b>NO CLASS – FALL BREAK</b>
NOV 7	Lesson #6 <i>Joseph</i>
NOV 14	Lesson #7 <i>Moses &amp; Pharaoh</i>
NOV 21	<b>NO CLASS – Thanksgiving Break</b>
NOV 28	Lesson #8 <i>The Birth of Jesus</i>
DEC 5	Lesson #9 <i>The Magi</i>
DEC 12	Service Projects
DEC 19	Christmas Party with High School Youth
DEC 26	<b>NO CLASS – Christmas Break</b>
JAN 2	<b>NO CLASS – New Year's Break</b>
JAN 9	Lesson #10 <i>Wilderness Temptations</i>
JAN 16	Internet Safety
JAN 23	8 <sup>th</sup> Mission Night / 9 <sup>th</sup> Student/Parent Meeting
JAN 30	Kids Against Hunger service project
FEB 6	Fellowship Night Event
FEB 13	Lesson #11 <i>The Last Supper</i>
FEB 20	Lesson #12 <i>The Crucifixion</i>
FEB 27	Lesson #13 <i>The Resurrection</i>
MAR 6	Lesson #14 <i>The Road to Emmaus</i>
MAR 13	8 <sup>th</sup> Faith Project      9 <sup>th</sup> Faith Statement
MAR 20	8 <sup>th</sup> Faith Project      9 <sup>th</sup> Faith Statement
MAR 27	8 <sup>th</sup> Faith Project      9 <sup>th</sup> Faith Statement
APR 3	Faith Project Night
APR 10	8 <sup>th</sup> Scavenger Hunt/9 <sup>th</sup> Faith Statements Due
APR 17	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Lock-In
APR 24	9 <sup>th</sup> Confirmation Photos/Rehearsal/Banquet
APR 28	Confirmation Sunday Worship @ 10:15 am

Calvary Lutheran Church  
**Confirmation**



**2018-19  
 Parent/Student  
 Handbook & Calendar**

## What is confirmation?

The worship service at the end of your confirmation study is called the *Service of Affirmation of Baptism* in which you'll have a chance to tell the people around you what you believe; you affirm (or say yes) to your baptism and all it means. You'll hear the promises given to you when you were baptized, and you'll get to say, "Yes, I believe those promises belong to me!" We put our Confirmation Ministry together to help you understand what you will be saying "yes" about.

## Why do we do confirmation anyway?

Five hundred years ago Martin Luther took a trip to the peasant country to find out how the church was doing. He wasn't pleased with what he saw. People didn't understand the basics of their faith and so Martin Luther decided to do something about it. He wrote the ***Small Catechism*** so parents could teach their children about faith and learn something themselves along the way. All these years later, here you are on the receiving end of the *Small Catechism* and we're still helping young people learn about their faith and strengthen their ties to the Church. We're *not* doing it just because we've always done it. We do confirmation because it's a good idea.

We live in a crazy world that's full of hard choices. We're surrounded by demanding voices. Confirmation is a good idea because at confirmation you hear about the biggest choice of all: what God says about you in your baptism. "Yes! You're Mine and I'll never let you go!" That's a good thing to know and something you can depend on, too!

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## Confirmation Worship Notes

**Purpose** Why do we have to take Worship Notes? There's no secret here. The reason for Worship Notes is that Christians go to church. If you're going to have a living faith, there's no way you can do it without hearing God's Word in worship. The two go together like peanut butter and jelly, and green eggs and ham. Requiring Worship Notes of you makes sure you and your family hear God's promises about you.

**How** What do you do with Worship Notes? If you've never done Worship Notes before, it's as simple as anything. All you have to do is fill in the blanks on one side about worship. Then just listen to the sermon. Write down anything important that you hear, using the directions on the form.

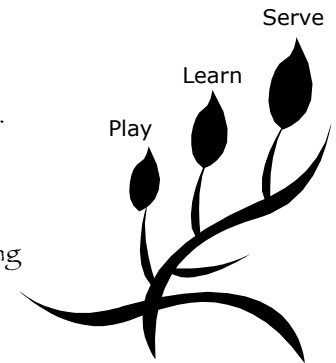
**Where** Where do I get a blank Worship Notes? At the back on the usher tables you'll find the forms. Put completed notes in the container provided on the same table.

**How Many** What's the basic requirement? You will need to have completed 10 Worship Notes by the end of April. Remember that there are close to 125 different worship services from September - April.

## The Program

"I am the vine, and you are the branches. If you stay joined to me, and I stay joined to you, then you will produce lots of fruit. But you cannot do anything without me."

-John 15:5



Calvary Confirmation blends fellowship with a "back to basics" approach to Christian education. Kids have fun, form friendships and learn at the same time. Learning is accomplished in a small group setting.

### **🌀 First Branch – LEARNING COMPONENTS**

Opening: Set the "pace". Build a mood of joy, get teens into teaching space on time and do some fun preview/review of key teaching points.

Presentation (Large Group): Provide the "punch". Teach the content using multiple teaching methods.

Small Group: Provide the "personal care" which only small groups can do. The objective is to bond the group and process the lesson.

### **🌀 Second Branch – MISSION OPPORTUNITIES**

Opportunities to experience joy, value and meaning through service with a group of friends.

### **🌀 Third Branch – FELLOWSHIP EVENTS**

Planned events that build identity, trust, care and healthy relationships between young people and adults.

Learning, service and fellowship become the three branches for the faith journey.

