Confirmation Ministry Covenant

Together we will seek to understand the role God has prepared for us as people of the body of Christ. Through our confirmation journey, we will come to see how God calls us to be a people on a mission in the world. At the end of this time of preparation, each of us will be able to stand before God, our families, and the congregation and proclaim our belief in God and our promise to faithfully live as followers of Jesus.

To do this, **I understand that certain things are expected of me**. I agree to act in accordance with the expectations laid out by my church and its confirmation ministry program. By agreeing to these expectations, I share the responsibility of creating a safe space where each person feels valued and loved. Our shared responsibility ensures that we will have an amazing year together!

- 1. Confirmation students always respect themselves, each other, mentors, adults, Pastor and intern. They will not insult each other, put each other down, make rude gestures or physically or in any other way harass each other. Every confirmation student has a right to learn and grow in their faith.
- 2. Confirmation students respect and care for the church building and property. They will be good stewards of this space.
- 3. Confirmation students understand that to make confirmation a good experience, they will participate positively in all activities.
- 4. Confirmation students listen carefully and follow directions. They will come ready to engage in the lessons and learn and they will remember to bring their Bibles each week.
- 5. Confirmation students are committed to fulfilling the expectations laid out in the Confirmation Ministry document (ex. Sermon notes, worshiping regularly, attendance at class and servant projects, participating in worship, etc.).
- 6. Confirmation students understand that one of our goals is to take care of each other and ourselves. As a result, non-prescription substances (alcohol, drugs, tobacco products, energy drinks) are not used/consumed in the building.
- 7. Confirmation students will turn ALL electronic devices/cell phones to silent during dinner and class in order to be fully engaged with what is happening here.
- 8. Confirmation students will be committed to growing spiritually in their faith.
- 9. Confirmation students will work hard at having fun.

Confirmation ministry is a voluntary program and is available to those who wish to learn more about their faith and their church. The Rite of Confirmation is not a sacrament in the Lutheran tradition. It is a public affirmation of our baptism. **Our family takes this commitment seriously and understands the reasons why we are participating.**

I/we agree to all expectations of this covenant and understand that any abuse of these expectations may result in my dismissal from the program.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

***This Covenant must be signed by a parent/guardian and the student in order to participate in Joy Lutheran's Confirmation Ministry. ***