

Confirmation Schedule
 Grades 7 & 8
 2023-2024

Welcome to a new year of Confirmation. We will again have Confirmation at Grace Lutheran beginning at 6:30 on Wednesday nights. We will be done no later than 7:30.

As the intentional interim pastor, I am uncertain how long I will remain at Grace and Emmanuel; I believe to be quite unlikely that I'll be here for the whole school year. My plan will be to hold to this schedule as long as I'm here (provided that everything works out well with school schedules, weather, etc.). I will pass it on to whoever will take over doing Confirmation when I leave, but for that person, this should be at best a suggestion (and indication of what has and has not been covered in the last two years).

Date	Topic/activity
Wed, Sept. 6	Kickoff event
Wed, Sept. 13	Pentateuch: Prehistory <i>The two stories of Creation: Genesis 1:1-2:4; 2:4-25</i> <i>Disobedience: Genesis 3:1-4:16</i> <i>Noah & Covenant: Genesis 8:20-9:17</i>
Wed, Sept. 20	Pentateuch: Patriarchs <i>Abram going as God sends him: Genesis 12:1-9</i> <i>God's Promises to Abram: Genesis 13:14-18; 15:7-18a; 17:1-22</i> <i>Isaac: (There's not much directly relating to him)</i> <i>Jacob: Genesis 27:1-29, Genesis 32:22-33:12; 47:27-48:7</i>
Wed, Sept. 27	Catch-up day on Genesis Material
Wed, Oct. 4	Middle School Youth Gathering focus topic: The Ten Commandments Biblical Basis: <i>Exodus 20:1-17; Deuteronomy 5:1-21</i> Begin: <i>Catechism</i>
Wed, Oct. 11	Middle School Youth Gathering focus topic: The Ten Commandments Continue: <i>Catechism</i>
Wed, Oct. 18	No Confirmation — MEA Break
Wed, Oct. 25	Middle School Youth Gathering focus topic: The Ten Commandments Conclude: <i>Catechism</i> Application: <i>What difference do they make in history, the church, and our life today?</i>
Wed, Nov. 1	"Holy Week through the Four Gospels" Drama Week 1: Jesus' Entry into Jerusalem
Wed, Nov. 8 Sub = ?	"Holy Week through the Four Gospels" Drama Week 2: Jesus' Anointing and Betrayal
Wed, Nov. 15	"Holy Week through the Four Gospels" Drama Week 3: Jesus' Last Meal with His Disciples
Fri-Sat, Nov 17-18, or Sat-Sun, Nov 18-19	Northeastern Minnesota Synod Middle School Gathering @ Cragun's Emphasis: The Ten Commandments
Wed, Nov 22	No Confirmation—Happy Thanksgiving

Wed, Nov. 29	“Holy Week through the Four Gospels” Drama Week 4: Jesus’ Trial
Wed, Dec. 6	“Holy Week through the Four Gospels” Drama Week 5: Jesus’ Death and Burial
Wed, Dec. 13	Review Activity Day
Wed, Dec. 20	Catch-up Day. Or: What are some of your “Big” Questions
Sunday, Dec. 24	CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE (attendance is mandatory)
Wed, Dec. 27	No Confirmation — Merry Christmas
Wed, Jan. 3	Lutheran Theology: Sacraments Baptism: <i>Biblical Backing—Mark 1:1-3, Matthew 28:16-20, Acts 8:26-40.</i> <i>Read/Discuss Small Catechism on Baptism</i> <i>Baptism and the Life of the Church</i>
Wed, Jan. 10	Lutheran Theology: Sacraments Communion: <i>Biblical Backing—Luke 22:1-27; John 6:1-4, 25-71.</i> <i>Read/Discuss Small Catechism on Communion</i> <i>Communion and the Life of the Church</i>
Wed, Jan. 17	Lutheran Theology: Sacraments “Confession:” <i>Biblical Backing—Mark 1:14-15, Matthew 18:15-22, Romans 2:1-11.</i> <i>Read/Discuss Small Catechism on Confession</i> <i>Confession and the Life of the Church</i>
Wed, Jan 24	The Parables of the Gospels. (Note: There are no parables in John.) <i>Mark: 4:1-20; 4:26-29; 4:30-34; 12:1-12</i>
Wed, Jan. 31	The Parables of the Gospels <i>Luke: 10:29-37; 15:1-32; 16:19-31; 12:13-21; 18:1-8; 19:12-27</i>
Wed, Feb. 7	The Parables of the Gospels. <i>Matthew: 13:24-30, 36-43; 13:31-32; 13:33-35; 20:1-16; 25:1-13</i>
Wed, Feb. 14	ASH WEDNESDAY No Confirmation Class Attend Ash Wednesday Worship Service
Wed, Feb. 21	No Confirmation Class Attend Midweek Lent Soup Supper & Worship Service Tonight.
Wed, Feb. 28	No Confirmation Class Attend Midweek Lent Soup Supper & Worship Service Tonight.
Wed, Mar. 6	No Confirmation Class Attend Midweek Lent Soup Supper & Worship Service Tonight.
Wed, Mar. 13	No Confirmation Class Attend Midweek Lent Soup Supper & Worship Service Tonight.
Wed, Mar 20	No Confirmation Class Attend Midweek Lent Soup Supper & Worship Service Tonight.
Wed, Mar 27	No Confirmation Class. Attend Holy Week Services on Thursday and Friday.
Thurs., Mar 28	Attend Maundy Thursday Service Time TBA
Fri., Mar 29	Attend Good Friday Service Time TBA

Wed, April 3	The era of the Reformation—Part I: Historical/Social Conditions
Wed, April 10	The era of the Reformation—Part II: Martin Luther and 16 th century reforms.
Wed, April 17	Follow through of the Reformation: ELCA—Who are We?
Wed, April 24	Stewardship: Definitions and Discussion & Biblical Basis
Wed, May 1	Introduction to the psalms: Lament & Trust Psalms: <i>13, 88, 79, 32, 22 & 23, 51, 137, 63, 109, 55, 46, 130 (as many as we get to)</i>
Wed, May 8	Praise & Thanksgiving Psalms: <i>113, 100, 124, 30, 8, 96, 101, 99, 95, 107, 18, 67, 92</i>
Wed, May 15	Wisdom Psalms: <i>1 & 2; 37; 111; 119:1-16, 33-40, 129-136; 49; 127; 133</i>
Wed, May 22	Final Fun Activities