

CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR PULASKI HEIGHTS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2024-2025

FOUR REQUIREMENTS

Confirmation Ceremony and Join the Church Sunday:

Confirmation Ceremony: Saturday May 17, 2024, 5PM

Join the church: any service of worship on May 18, 2024 (Classic or Modern, 9AM or 11AM)

Enrichment and Extra Opportunities:

- 1 credit will be given for attending any special youth event (Shop and Wrap etc.)
- Additional confirmand-only events will be announced during the year (and also count towards credits).
- Regular programming (Weekly Sunday School and Midyouth) is worth 1 credit.
- Special events (Retreats, Day with the Bishop, etc.) are worth 3 credits.
- Parent volunteers match credits per event.

Essential concepts:

- What do we believe about God?
- What do we believe about the Bible?
- What do we believe about the Church?
- What do we believe about Communion?
- What do we believe about Baptism?
- What do we commit to in Confirmation? (The vows)

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Must attend ONE retreat (even better if they can attend both!):

- Refuge | ACCYM Event | November 8-10 | \$175 (Scholarships available) -OR-
- Midyouth Retreat | Camp Tanako | January 24-25 | \$75

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24 credits for attendance (Sunday School, Wednesday Midyouth, or Extra Opportunities)

- Out of the 40+ weeks of programming we do, students can mix and match Wednesdays and Sundays for at least 24 total visits
- Students can earn extra credits by attending both retreats and/or by attending other enrichment opportunities

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6 weeks of intensive confirmation class

- Classes are on Sunday afternoons in the fall OR spring. A missed fall class can be made up in the spring. Any class can be made up on a case-by-case basis by doing the lesson at home together and then meeting with Ellen by appointment to ask questions and be assessed for mastery of the concept.
- Fall: Sundays | 2:00-3:30 | September 29 October 6, 13, 20. November 3, 17
- Spring: Sundays | 2:00-3:30 | January 12, 26 February 2, 16. March 2, 9

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Confirmation interview held in the Spring

- Final step in the confirmation process!
- A clergy member will ask questions to check for understanding of the major themes from confirmation.
- Students have the opportunity to ask questions of the clergy member before confirmation day.
- Clergy members ask confirmands if they would feel ready to be confirmed