

## Confirmation Schedule 2019-2020

Confirmation meets on Wednesdays, 6:00-7:30. A different parent volunteer for each class attends and brings snack.

Black: Regular Class  
Green: Worship Service

Red: No Class  
Blue: Special Event

Date	Topic	Parent Helper
September 18, 2019	Welcome to Confirmation All students and parents are asked to attend.	NA
September 25, 2019	Meeting Our Ancestors: Faith Family Trees	
October 2, 2019	Getting to Know Your Bible	
Sunday, October 6, 2019 8:45 a.m. or 11:15 a.m.	Welcome of Confirmands into the Confirmation Program This will occur at whichever service the student & his or her parents/sponsor(s) chooses to attend.	NA
October 9, 2019	Meeting Our Ancestors: Abraham & Sarah	
October 16, 2019	Meeting Our Ancestors: Abraham & Isaac	
October 23, 2019	Meeting Our Ancestors: Jacob & Esau	
October 30, 2019	Worship Assistants Training	
Sunday, November 3, 2019	Confirmation students attend the 8:45 or 11:15 worship service and serve as worship assistants at the service.	NA
November 6, 2019	Pageant Skit Preparation	
November 13, 2019	Pageant Skit Preparation	
November 20, 2019	Pageant Skit Preparation	
November 27, 2017	No Confirmation Class Happy Thanksgiving	NA
December 4, 2019	Pageant Skit Preparation	
Sunday, December 8, 2019	Confirmation students attend the 8:45 or 11:15 worship service and serve as worship assistants at the service.	
December 11, 2019	Meeting Our Ancestors: Joseph & His Brothers	NA
December 15, 2019	Confirmation Students participate in the Christmas Pageant.	
December 18, 2019	Meeting Our Ancestors: Joseph & His Brothers	
December 25, 2017	No Confirmation Class	NA
December 24/25	Christmas Eve/Christmas Day Confirmation students attend a Christmas Eve or Christmas Day service (or both) \ wherever they are spending Christmas. If you go to a service other than Emmanuel's please bring	

	Pastor Amanda a bulletin from the service (s) you attend. Merry Christmas!	
Sunday, January 5, 2020	Confirmation students attend the 8:45 or 11:15 worship service and serve as worship assistants at the service.	NA
January 8, 2020	World Hunger Issues and Preparation for the Souper Bowl of Caring	NA
January 15, 2020	Meeting Our Ancestors: David & His Family	
January 22, 2020	Meeting Our Ancestors: David & His Family	
January 29, 2020	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper Planning Meeting (Parents are asked to attend the first ½ hour of class) Meeting Our Ancestors: The Psalms	
Sunday, February 2, 2020	Confirmation Students lead the Souper Bowl of Caring and collect money and canned goods after the worship services to help fight hunger. Confirmation Students also attend and serve as worship assistants for the 8:45 or 11:15 a.m. service.	
February 5, 2020	The Prophets	
February 7-9, 2020	Confirmation Camp at Camp Calumet Meeting Our Ancestors: Moses, Aaron, & Miriam	
February 12, 2020	Follow Up to the Souper Bowl of Caring	
February 19, 2020	Jesus' Life	
Tuesday, February 25, 2020 5:30-8:00 p.m.	Confirmation students and their parents host the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper	All
February 26, 2020	Confirmation Students attend an Ash Wednesday worship service. 3:00 p.m. or 7:30 p.m.	NA
Sunday, March 1, 2020	Confirmation students attend the 8:45 or 11:15 worship service and serve as worship assistants at the service.	NA
March 4, 2020	Lenten Soup Supper and Service	NA
March 11, 2020	Lenten Soup Supper and Service	NA
March 18, 2020	Lenten Soup Supper and Service	NA
March 25, 2020	Lenten Soup Supper and Service	NA
6:00 p.m. March 27- 4:00 p.m. March 28	Confirmation Lock-In The Book of Acts	We will need parent volunteers for the whole lock-in. For the overnight, we will need one male volunteer. Parent volunteers can

		serve in blocks of time.
April 1, 2020	Lenten Soup Supper and Service	NA
Sunday, April 5, 2020	Confirmation students attend the 8:45 or 11:15 worship service and serve as worship assistants at the service.	NA
April 8, 2020	<b>No Confirmation Class</b> Confirmation Students are asked to attend at least one of the Holy Week Services <b>Maundy Thursday</b> <b>April 9 7:30 p.m.</b> <b>Good Friday</b> <b>April 10 3:00 p.m. or 7:30 p.m.</b> <b>Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil</b> <b>April 11 7:00 p.m.</b> <b>Grace Episcopal Church</b>	NA
Sunday, April 12, 2020	Confirmation students attend an Easter Day service at Emmanuel or wherever they are celebrating Easter. If you go to a service other than Emmanuel's please bring Pastor Amanda a bulletin from the service (s) you attend.	NA
April 15, 2020	Jesus' Friends (The Apostles and the Women who Followed Him)	
<b>April 22, 2020</b>	<b>No Confirmation Class</b>	
April 29, 2020	Jesus' Teachings	
Sunday, May 3, 2020	Confirmation students attend the 8:45 or 11:15 worship service and serve as worship assistants at the service.	NA
May 6, 2020	Paul's Letters and the Early Church	
May 13, 2020	Unanswered Questions	
Thursday, May 14, 2020	<b>Confirmands' Individual Meetings with Pastor Amanda</b> <b>Scheduled on the half hour, 6:00-7:00 p.m.</b>	
May 20, 2020	The Meaning of Confirmation	
May 27, 2020	Confirmation Rehearsal for Confirmands First Year Students Write Prayers for the Eighth Graders <b>End of Year Party</b>	

**Confirmation** will be held on **Pentecost Sunday, May 31, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. service.** The second-year students will confirm their faith and the first-year students will service as worship assistants and petitioners during the service.

### Attendance Expectations

It is my expectation that Confirmation students will attend all Confirmation events. Please add the events on this schedule to your family's calendar now and recognize that your child is expected to attend all events in their entirety. Failing to attend events, lessons, and worship opportunities or leaving things early is very disruptive to the group and causes your child to miss important material and experiences. If

your child has to miss a Confirmation class, please let me know as far in advance as possible. I will provide make up work so that your child does not miss important material. However, make up work cannot replace being there for lessons or experiencing worship, retreats, and lock-ins in person. Please alert me as soon as possible if you know that your child will miss something. The Confirmation program is designed to be completed in two years, however, if your child is not able to attend significant events, such as retreats, lock-ins, worship opportunities, or if your child misses an excessive number of Confirmation classes (more than two per semester, without make-up arrangements being made), then his or her Confirmation may need to be delayed so that he or she can pick up important parts of the Confirmation experience in a third or fourth year.

### **Council Meetings:**

According to our constitution, all confirmands must be approved by the Congregational Council for confirmation. In order to meet this requirement, all Confirmation students will be expected to attend one council meeting during their second year of Confirmation. This will give them an opportunity to experience a church council meeting and it will give the church council an opportunity to meet them. Council meetings are usually the fourth Tuesday of the month, but, Pastor Amanda will distribute a schedule of the council meetings to parents and students once the council schedule is set for the year.

### **Confirmation Camp**

Confirmation Camp at Camp Calumet in Freedom, NH is February 7-9, 2020. The total cost of Confirmation Camp is \$100.00 per participant. The church covers \$50.00 of the \$100 fee and families are asked to cover the remaining \$50.00. If this will be a financial hardship to any family, there are scholarship funds available. Please speak to Pastor Amanda.

### **Weather Cancellation Policy**

If Norwood public schools are closed or have early dismissal due to inclement weather, there will be no Confirmation that night. If Confirmation needs to be cancelled due to weather conditions that develop after the school day, you will receive an e-mail and a phone call.

If Confirmation needs to be cancelled for any other reason, every attempt will be made to reach you by phone and e-mail.