

# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CONFIRMATION

KNOWING – GROWING - BEING



CONNECTING PEOPLE TO CHRIST FOR LIFE



# Immanuel Confirmation

## Foundation for Immanuel Confirmation

- Knowing (**What we believe and why we believe it**)
- Growing (**In our faith and relationships with Jesus Christ and our Brothers and Sisters**)
- Being (**Being Christ to others**)

## Overall Goals

The overall goal of Immanuel Confirmation is to help students:

### **Know Jesus Christ as their Savior.**

“But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen.”

2 Peter 3:18

### **Grow in faith skills and relationships with other students.**

“For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives, so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God.”

Colossians 1:9-10

### **Be Christ to those they interact with in their everyday life.**

“Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.”

Ephesians 5:1-2



# General Information

## Confirmation

Confirmation this year begins September 2021. Students meet in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesdays (Enter door 4). Please make sure that each week students bring their Bible, Catechism, pen/pencil.

We meet on Wednesday evenings 5:30-6:45pm

## Summer Confirmation

- Students are asked to attend one of the two sessions either on June 8 or July 14
- Things to bring: Omega students bring their Bible & everyone bring a pen or pencil.
- Make sure to wear comfortable summer clothes & closed-toe shoes.
- Please let us know which day you are planning on attending so we can plan ahead.
- Learning how to acolyte and looking at Worship Sheets & Service Sheets will be covered for Alpha students.
- Choosing a Life Verse and Faith statements will be covered for Omega students.
- Serving at Feed My Starving Children

## Retreats

Students will get a chance to grow together as brothers and sisters in Christ through two retreats. The first retreat is for both Alpha and Omega students. Parent volunteers are needed for the first retreat. The second retreat is for Omega students.

## Monthly Confirmation Updates

Every month you will receive an update as to how your student is doing at confirmation.

## Website

Please check out our website [www.immanueljhm.com/confirmation](http://www.immanueljhm.com/confirmation) for updates, schedules, and forms throughout the year.

## Text Remind

To stay updated with Confirmation weekly, please send a text to the number 81010 with the message @immanuelc Messages will only be sent for weekly reminders, special events, or cancellations.



# General Expectations

## Attendance

Each time we get together for confirmation is important, both for learning the content and for growing together with other member of your confirmation class. To commit to Immanuel Confirmation is to make attendance a priority. If you have a time when you know you will miss confirmation in advance, please let Josh Wold or Andrea Davis know ahead of time if you will be absent that week.

## Worship

Worship is an important part of the Christian life. We encourage and expect families to be in worship/church as often as possible. We keep track of attendance by the burgundy fellowship pads. Please remember to write your name in them including your child. If you are not in worship regularly, we will follow up with you to see what can be done.

## Worship Sheets

Students are asked to complete 20 Sheets during the two years of confirmation.

## Service

**20 total hours** of service should be completed during the 2 years of confirmation by students. Service is going above and beyond your everyday responsibilities to help others. Chores at home, helping family members, or anything you get paid for are great, but NOT service above and beyond and do **not** count for service hours.

A service form should be filled out each time you serve. Forms are available at the church office, youth website, and connection center.

## Worship Involvement

Being involved in the life of worship is important. There are many opportunities for you to help including:

Acolyte (6pm, 8am, 9:15am)

A/V (All services)

A list will be sent monthly to sign up. Those that do not sign up will be assigned to acolyte at a service they have put as their preference.

If you cannot make when you are scheduled, please switch with someone else and notify Andrea Davis.

Students are asked to dress appropriately.

Students are asked to participate in the worship service.

Students are encouraged to complete Worship Sheets during the worship service.

Schedule is available online.



# Behavioral Expectations

## Respect Each Other

We love because he first loved us. If anyone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother." **1 John 4:19-21**

## Respect Leaders

"Likewise, you who are younger, be subject to the elders. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." **1 Peter 5:5**

## Respect the Building

"I love the house where you live, O Lord, the place where your glory dwells." **Psalms 26:8**

## Consequences for Inappropriate Behavior

These expectations are meant to guide you on what we expect from your student to help them and us continue to learn about God's gifts and love for us ...

- If a student engages in inappropriate and disruptive behavior they will be given some type of verbal warning.  
If that behavior is continued they will be removed from that class and parent(s) will be contacted ASAP. If the parent(s) would like to discuss the issue, they are encouraged to call Josh Wold.
- We have a ZERO TOLERANCE policy for drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or weapons. Parent(s) will be contacted immediately and a meeting with Josh Wold must be set up before that student is allowed back into Confirmation.



# Additional Information

## First Communion (for 2021 only)

- Both Alpha & Omega students will be participating in first communion.
- 1st communion classes will be for class in October.

## Faith Statements – Omega students

- During their Alpha year, confirmation students will choose a Life Verses that they will be blessed with on their confirmation.
- Each student will use their Life Verse to write their Faith Statement. Beginning in February, each student will record their Faith Statement and the video will be shown at each service on their assigned weekend.
- The first draft of each student's Statement of Faith is due the first Sunday of October.
- During Summer Confirmation students will receive instructions and guidelines on how to complete their Faith Statements.

## Night of Witness/Omega Retreat – Omega students

- The month before Rite of Confirmation students will have a retreat that consists of building relationships and parent involvement centered around the importance of the student's faith.
- Parent's are asked to participate in the evening (an important part of the retreat).
- There will be dinner along with parents & students hearing other faith stories as well as discussing theirs as a family unit.
- Students stay the night.
- The retreat is at Walcamp.







## Confirmation Dates for 2021-2022

Parent Information Meeting	May 23 12:30pm May 26 6pm
Summer confirmation	June 8 (1 <sup>st</sup> session) 8am-3pm July 14 (2 <sup>nd</sup> session) 8am-3pm
Grandstand Clean Up	August 11-16
Confirmation Retreat (Alpha & Omega students)	August 28-29
Confirmation class begins	September 15
1 <sup>st</sup> draft of Faith Statement due (Omega only)	October 1
1 <sup>st</sup> communion	October 30
Hometown Christmas <b>Service Event*</b>	December 3
Super bowl Sub Assembly/Handout <b>Service Event*</b>	February 12/13
Easter Breakfast <b>Service Event</b>	April 16/17
Night of Witness & Omega Retreat (Omega only)	August 2022
Confirmation pictures & rehearsal (Omega only)	September 2022
Rite of Confirmation worship service (Omega only)	September 25, 2022



## Class Dates

Date
1. September 15
2. September 22
3. September 29
4. October 13
5. October 20
6. October 27
7. November 3
8. November 10
9. November 17
10. December 1
11. December 8
12. December 15
13. January 5
14. January 12
15. January 19
16. February 2
17. February 9
18. February 16
19. March 2
20. March 9
21. March 16
22. March 23
23. April 6
24. April 13



# Immanuel Service Hours

We ask that your student spend at least a total of 20 hours for the length of the Confirmation. In addition to the hours, you will need to turn in a Service Hours Reflection Sheet for each service activity that was completed. Helping a family member does not count.

## Service Hours Reflection Sheet

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Service \_\_\_\_\_

Total Hours \_\_\_\_\_

What did you do while you were serving?

Whom did you serve?

What did you like about serving?

What didn't you like about this service?

How did this service help others? What is something you learned about yourself/God taught you?

Person you Served or Parent signature \_\_\_\_\_





# Worship Sheets

At Immanuel we expect each participant in confirmation to be regular in attending Worship. We ask that your student fills out a total of 20 worship sheets for the 2 years. If you are worshipping on vacation or at another church, we encourage you to fill out a Worship Sheet for that service too. Sheets are available in the narthex and online.

**Please fill out completely. Incomplete sheets may not be counted.**

## Worship Sheet

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
*First & last name*

LOCATION AND TIME OF SERVICE: \_\_\_\_\_ PREACHER: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Ex. Immanuel Belvidere 8am The pastor giving the sermon.*

Bible Text/s: \_\_\_\_\_ SERMON TITLE/MAIN IDEA: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Include all text (usually 2-3 readings) If there is no title, write down main idea of sermon.*

What color is the altar cloth? \_\_\_\_\_

1. What did you learn from today's sermon? (Please write at least 2 sentences.)
2. How can it change your week?
3. What song/hymn did you like the most?
4. Do you have any prayer requests that we can pray for?

Parents are encouraged to help students as well as promote they write a few "notes" on the back during the message to help them in remembering what was said.



## Worship Sheet Due Dates

1 <sup>st</sup>	August 31
2 <sup>nd</sup>	September 30
3 <sup>rd</sup>	October 31
4 <sup>th</sup>	November 30
5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup>	December 31
7 <sup>th</sup>	January 31
8 <sup>th</sup>	February 28
9 <sup>th</sup>	March 31
10 <sup>th</sup>	April 30

## Notes



# 2021-2022 Payment Worksheet

## Cost Information

Immanuel Confirmation includes opportunities for students to go beyond just studying the Bible and Catechism. It includes service projects, retreats, and other activities outside of a classroom.

If the ministry cost is too much financially for you and your family, please contact Josh Wold for scholarship assistance. NOBODY stays home because of money!

## 2021-2022 Fees for Alpha Students

**\$90**

**Cost Covers:** Bible, Materials, Summer Confirmation, Retreat, and end of the year celebration.

## 2021-2022 Fees for Omega Students

**\$100** (If you already have a Catechism)

**Cost Covers:** Materials, Summer Confirmation, Retreat, Omega Retreat, and robe for confirmation.

\*Does not include stole rental or pictures.

Students Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fees:

Number of Alpha Students: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$90 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Omega Students: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$100 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Catechisms needed (Omega only): \_\_\_\_\_ X \$16 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of Students: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Due: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I paid online with a credit card.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am including a check made payable to Immanuel Lutheran Church (Check Number) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I am paying with Cash (Signature of person receiving cash) \_\_\_\_\_

