

**Concordia Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Duluth, Minnesota  
Covenant for Confirmation Students and Parent(s)/Guardian(s)**

In Baptism, parents and sponsors promise to: “live with [their child] among God’s faithful people, bring them to the word of God and the holy supper, teach them the Lord’s Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in their hands the holy scriptures, and nurture them in faith and prayer, so that [their] children may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace” (*ELW*, p. 228). In order to assist the families of Concordia with these promises, we offer confirmation instruction and assistance to both students and parents around these promises. Just as we publicly covenant the above promises in the presence of the congregation, we also now publicly covenant with one another to participate in the Confirmation program as it is outlined.

**Students:**

I \_\_\_\_\_ will complete the following responsibilities for this class year:

- Attend worship weekly and complete twenty worship notes for each year in confirmation.
- Attend all Wednesday night classes. If I am unable to come, I will notify the church office before class begins and will make arrangements to make up the work. (Lessons are available online.)
- Serve as a worship assistant as scheduled. If I am unable to serve, I will find a replacement and notify the church office.
- Fully complete any homework, quizzes, or other materials on time knowing that I am responsible to complete all work.
- Attend Sunday morning worship and other activities on a regular basis.
- Complete at least two service projects.
- Prayerfully consider attending one week of Confirmation camp in the summer and the weekend synod Middle School Gathering in November along with any fund-raising that is needed for these events.
- Participate in the whole life of Concordia and all of its opportunities including Lenten services, fellowship activities, and other celebrations in the church year.

I understand that classes and events have been scheduled and I am aware of those dates as they have been given to me in advance. I also know that I must complete the above requirements for each year of Concordia’s three year program so that I may have the opportunity to affirm my Baptism (be “confirmed”) publicly.

I am choosing to take this next step in my faith life and know that my participation and cooperation are crucial to the success of this confirmation program. I will conduct myself in an appropriate and mature manner out of respect for my classmates, teachers, guides, God, and myself.

Youth signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parents/Guardians:**

I recognize that the primary place of faith nurture and development is the home. I understand the importance of my participation in the faith life of my young person. My role is greater than being a chauffeur, banker, or timekeeper. First and foremost, I am a role model of faithful living and I recognize that the interest, importance, and priority that I place in this program and in my own faith journey will likely be reflected in my young person. Secondly, I realize that the greatest influences over the course of my young person's life are the things that I say and don't say and the things that I do and don't do.

I also recognize the following requirements are expected of me:

- To enable and encourage my young person's timely attendance and participation in Confirmation classes, weekly worship, course requirements, and activities in the life of Concordia.
- To actively participate in my young person's Confirmation program by participating in the special family events, volunteering to assist with classes and special events, help serve the Wednesday night dinner on a rotational schedule, and by making my/our faith a regular part of family conversation and action.
- To encourage conversation and the completion of their requirements and class work each week. I know that we are responsible for making up any missed classes, service, and other requirement opportunities.

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In fulfilling the promises I made at my child's baptism, I wish for my young person to take this next step in his/her faith life and know that our participation and cooperation are crucial to the success of this confirmation program.

Parent's/Guardian's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_