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Confirmation/Affirmation Yearly Schedule 2023-24

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	Wed. Sept. 4	2024 L1—Catechism Intro [LSCBM—p.43-51]
	Wed. Sept. 4 Wed. Sept. 11	L2—10 Commandments [LSCBM—p.43-51]
	Wed. Sept. 18	L3—10 Commandments [LSCBM—p.58-66]
	Wed. Sept. 25	L4—10 Commandments [LSCBM—p.67-73]
	Fri. Sept. 27	6pm, Affirmation Statements/Robes
	Sun. Sept. 29	9:00 am Confirmation Service
	Wed. Oct. 2	L5—10 Commandments [LSCBM—p.74-80]
	Wed. Oct. 9	NO CLASS/Fall Break
	Wed. Oct. 16	L6—10 Commandments [LSCBM—p.81-84]
	Wed. Oct. 23	L7—10 Commandments [LSCBM—p.85-92]
	Wed. Oct. 30	L8—10 Commandments [LSCBM—p.93-104]
non.	 Wed. Nov. 6	L9—10 Commandments [LSCBM—p.105-109]
NOW Jesus JROW in Christ	Wed. Nov. 13	L10—10 Commandments [LSCBM—p.110-114]
APONI in Christ	Wed. Nov. 20	L11—10 Commandments [LSCBM—p.115-119]
	Wed. Nov. 27	NO CLASS/Thanksgiving
SHOW God's Lo	Wed. Dec. 6	L12—10 Commandments (Advent) [LSCBM—p.120-127]
	Wed. Dec. 0 Wed. Dec. 11	10 Commandments Test/In Class/Take Home (Advent)
	Wed. Dec. 11 Wed. Dec. 18	Public Questioning 7th/8th/Parents (Advent)
	Wed. Dec. 25	NO CLASS/Christmas
	Wed. Dec. 25	2025
	Wed. Jan. 1	NO CLASS/Christmas
	Wed. Jan. 8	L36 (33) —Sacrament Intro [LSCBM—p.281-284]
	Wed. Jan. 15	L37 (34) —Baptism [LSCBM—p.285-291]
	Wed. Jan. 22	L38 (35) — Baptism [LSCBM—p.292-296]
	Wed. Jan. 29	L39 (36) — Baptism [LSCBM—p.297-301]
	——————— Wed. Feb. 5	L40 (37) —Baptism [LSCBM—p.302-305]
	Wed. Feb. 12	L41 (38) —Confession/Keys [LSCBM—p.306-313]
	Wed. Feb. 19	L42 (39) —Confession/Keys [LSCBM—p.306-313]
	Wed. Feb. 26	L43 (40) —Confession/Keys [LSCBM—p.306-313]
	——————— Wed. Mar. 5	NO CLASS/Ash Wednesday (Lent)
	Wed. Mar. 12	L44 (41) —Confession/Keys [LSCBM—p.314-321]
	Wed. Mar. 19	L45 (42) —Confession/Keys [LSCBM—p.314-321]
	Wed. Mar. 26	NO CLASS/Spring Break
	——————— Wed. Apr. 2	L46 (43) —Confession/Keys [LSCBM—p.314-321]
	Wed. Apr. 9	L47 (44) —Confession/Keys [LSCBM—p.314-321]
	Wed. Apr. 16	L47 (44) — Comession/Reys [LSCBM—p.314-321] L48 (45) — Sacrament Altar [LSCBM—p.322-330]
	Wed. Apr. 23	L48 (45) — Sacrament Altar [LSCBM—p.322-550] L49 (46) — Sacrament Altar [LSCBM—p.331-334]
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	Wed. May 7	L50 (47) —Sacrament Altar [LSCBM—p.335-337]
	Wed. May 14	L51 (48) —Sacrament Altar [LSCBM—p.338-345]
	Wed. May 21	Public Questioning 7th/8th/Parents; Test Take Home
	Wed. May 28	Summer Break

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Confirmation/Affirmation Accountability

Expectations:

• **80%:** We should expect a good "grade" and to be excellent when it comes to discipling our children. This is an easy benchmark to achieve and it relates to all categories below. However, if grades slip below 80% Pastor Z will have a conversation with the family and may assign extra credit work. If grades slip below 60% without any attempt to reconcile the student will have a delated Confirmation.

• **Lesson Reading:** Before class the student and parent will read <u>together</u> the corresponding Catechism section. This will help facilitate class discussion.

• Lesson/Class Attendance: Parents and students will attend class, discuss the lesson together, and the student will then fill out the corresponding worksheet. If there are questions they should first ask their parents to help them. Memory work is already incorporated into the worksheet.

• Sermon Notes/Worship Attendance: Sermon note pages are located outside of Pam's office and they can be turned in there as well. Parents be sure to engage with your student as they fill out these pages and make sure they are filled out well.

Confession of Faith/Affirmation Statements: Each student will make a Confession of Faith to be read aloud around the time they are Confirmed. They will turn draft copies to Pastor Z. and will continue to edit until it is ready to be publicly confessed. See Confession of Faith guidelines.

• Acolyting: Students will be assigned Sundays to Acolyte. Please sign in when you acolyte.

• **Catechism Camp**: Every summer around the 3rd week of June there is an LVR multi congregational Catechism Camp from Monday-Thursday. Students are required to go at least one year either during the summer before 7th Grade, the summer of their 8th Grade year, or the summer following their 8th Grade year. Please plan appropriately. The camp costs around \$350 and there are scholarships available if there is a hardship.

• **Rule of Thumb:** There are always exceptions and emergencies. Pastor generally gives grace and exception to families that have a reasonable absence or who are not abusing the system. The key is for the family/student to try to accomplish these things and to communicate ahead of time and often. <u>Please talk with Pastor Zillinger if there are any difficulties or problems.</u>

Willful Absences, Difficulties or Special Needs:

<u>Contact Pastor Zillinger at anytime or for any need!</u> (Cell/Txt – 303-859-8886, pastorz@holycrosscs.org)

Every child matures differently (physically, emotionally and spiritually). Although there are benchmarks of development there will always be a few families/youth that don't fit the regular process. <u>Confirmation is a Rite not a right!</u> A student Communes and is Confirmed when they are able to take their vows seriously and practice the faith daily. If your child has a learning disability or special need please contact Pastor Zillinger for ideas/alternatives as soon as possible. <u>Please note that lack of prioritization due to extra curricular absences is not a special need.</u> If a child/family needs to wait, for whatever reason, parents and youth are still welcome to start class even as late as their Sophomore year of high school. Following the start of their Junior year youth will be held to a higher standard and are welcomed into Adult Confirmation Class that is held bi-yearly (Lutheranism 101) and has more rigorous expectations for adult discussion and commitment. Special circumstances arise so if there is a problem please contact Pastor Zillinger to make accommodations. Most special needs situations can be accommodated but it will take a team effort of parents/mentors and Pastor to accomplish. Many times this will take longer than the normal process above. Please communicate early and often!