

Good Shepherd Confirmation Schedule & Topics
1st Year Students (7th graders in the Fall)
2011-2012

Classes run from **5:15 –6:30 PM** unless otherwise noted

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Misc.</u>	<u>Who is expected</u>
September 07	Introduction		Parents expected
September 21	Old Testament		
September 25	Serve at the Fortney		
September 28	Old Testament		
October 5	Old Testament/ play		
October 12	Old Testament		
October 29	Old Testament		
October 26	OFF		
October 28-30	Sugar Creek Retreat		
November 2	Old Testament		
November 9	Old Testament		
November 11-12	ConFess Retreat		
November 16	Old Testament		
November 23	OFF		
November 30	Old Testament heroes		
December 7	Modern heroes – guest speaker, Cathy Jo Pink @ disabilities talk to Kelsey (625-2323)		
December 14	Something out of the ordinary - party		
December 21	OFF		
December 28	OFF		
January 4	Movie - 5:15-8:00 (Luther / Bonhoeffer)		
January 11	Grace & Law		Parents expected
January 18	TBA		
January 25	TBA		
January 29	Serve at the Fortney		
February 1	Stewardship		
February 8	Stewardship		
February 15	Movie – Shroud of Turin – one class 5:15 – 7:00		
Lenten worships are at 7:00 PM (6:30 PM) – Students need to be at church at 6:15 PM (5:45 PM)			
Meet in the Fellowship Hall & we will eat together and visit about faith and do announcements			
February 22	OFF – Ash Wednesday		
February 29	Mentors / guests – Immanuel Confirmation Youth visit		
March 7	Mentors / guests		
March 14	Mentors / guests		
March 21	OFF (following weekend 30-hour famine)		
March 28	Mentors / guests		

Date	Topic	Misc.	Who is expected
April 4	OFF – Holy Week		
April 11	OFF		
April 18	Plan worship		
April 25	Plan worship		
May 2	Party – one meeting time – 5:15 – 6:45		
May 9	Practice		
May 16	Practice / Parent meeting – 1 st years only		Parents Expected
	DONE!		
May 20	LEAD WORSHIP – 1st years		
August 22	Movie & Pizza – 5:30 – 8:00		

Additional future 2nd year Dates

October 28th or November 6th Mentor Introduction

EXPECTATIONS:

1st year students

- Sunday school attendance is expected
- Wednesday night classes & events as schedule
- Assist in worship on Sundays
- Sermon notes
- Attend the fall Sugar Creek Retreat
- Plan & help lead May worship
- Do one or more service project during the course of the school year (opportunities include: bell-ringing for the Salvation Army, serving or helping prepare food for the Community Table, volunteer at Come to Super in La Crosse, help sort food for the May can drive)

Additionally sometime before confirmation

- Attend the Spring Famine Retreat, atleast once
- Sugar Creek event or camp or retreat that is deemed equivalent (Summer trip counts, 2nd year famine)
- Attend a baptismal (Faith Beginnings class)

Parental / Guardian Expectations

- Pray for your child
- Model faith
- Practice PoWeRSuRGe (prayer, worship, read the Bible, serving, relationships, give)
- Sign-up to supervise & provide treats for Wednesday night class
- Attend confirmation classes where parents are expected
- Help with 30-hour famine or other outings
- Worship with your young person and give them support in fulfilling their worship duties & sermon notes
- Communicate questions, struggles and joys with Pastor(s)
- Support them in fulfilling the mentor program
- Support them in completing their confirmation project – both written and active – on time

Good Shepherd Confirmation Schedule & Topics
2nd Year Students (8th graders in the Fall)
2011-2012

Classes run from **6:00 – 7:15 PM** unless otherwise noted

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Misc.</u>	<u>Who is expected</u>
September 07	Introduction		Parents expected
September 22	Old Testament		
September 25	Serve at the Fortney		
September 28	Old Testament		
October 5	Old Testament		
October 12	Old Testament		
October 29	Old Testament		
October 26	OFF		
October 30	Confirmation Sunday		
October 30	Introduction to Mentor Program, 9:10 – 10:00, followed by 10:15 worship		
	Or November 6	Devotions & information – 2 nd year only	
November 2	Old Testament		
November 9	Old Testament		
November 11-12	ConFess Retreat		
November 16	Old Testament		
November 23	OFF		
November 30	Old Testament heroes		
December 7	Modern heroes		
December 14	Something out of the ordinary - party		
December 21	OFF		
December 28	OFF		
January 4	Movie - 5:15-8:00 (Luther / Bonhoeffer)		
January 11	Grace & Law		Parents expected
	2nd year projects sign-ups (parents and youth 6:45 – 7:15)		
January 18	TBA		
January 25	TBA		
January 29	Serve at the Fortney		
February 1	Stewardship		
February 8	Stewardship		
February 15	Movie – Shroud of Turin – one class 5:15 – 7:00		
Lenten worships are at 7:00 PM (6:30 PM) – Students need to be at church at 6:15 PM (5:45 PM)			
Meet in the Fellowship Hall & we will eat together and visit about faith and do announcements			
February 22	OFF – Ash Wednesday		
February 29	Mentors / guests Immanuel Confirmation Youth visit		
March 7	Mentors / guests		
March 14	Mentors / guests		
March 21	OFF (following weekend 30-hour famine)		
March 28	Mentors / guests		

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Misc.</u>	<u>Who is expected</u>
April 4	OFF – Holy Week		
April 11	OFF		
April 18	Mentor Meeting		
April 25	Mentor Meeting		
May 2	Party – one meeting time – 5:15 – 6:45 DONE!		
August 22	Movie & Pizza – 5:30 – 8:00		

Additional future 3rd year Dates

August 22	Check-in on projects – 4:00 – 5:30
September 30	Sunday School Hour in the Lounge – projects DUE
October 1	Council Meeting, 7:00 PM
October 14	Retreat – 11:15 – 4:30 (Sugar Creek & Confirmation Rehearsal)
October 28	Confirmation

***3rd years will also still be assisting in worship through October, please note schedule**

EXPECTATIONS:

2nd year students

- Sunday school attendance is expected
- Wednesday night classes & events as schedule
- Assist in worship on Sundays
- Sermon notes
- Attend Mentor Introduction
- Identify and begin work on confirmation project
- Do one or more service project during the course of the school year (opportunities include: bell-ringing for the Salvation Army, serving or helping prepare food for the Community Table, volunteer at Come to Super in La Crosse, help sort food for the May can drive)

Additionally sometime before confirmation

- Attend the Spring Famine Retreat, atleast once
- Sugar Creek event or camp or retreat that is deemed equivalent (Summer trip counts, 2nd year famine)
- Attend a baptismal (Faith Beginnings class)

Parental / Guardian Expectations

- Pray for your child
- Model faith
- Practice PoWeRSuRGe (prayer, worship, read the Bible, serving, relationships, give)
- Sign-up to supervise & provide treats for Wednesday night class
- Attend confirmation classes where parents are expected
- Help with 30-hour famine or other outings
- Worship with your young person and give them support in fulfilling their worship duties & sermon notes
- Communicate questions, struggles and joys with Pastor(s)
- Support them in fulfilling the mentor program
- Support them in completing their confirmation project – both written and active – on time

Good Shepherd Confirmation Schedule & Topics
3rd Year Students (9th graders in the Fall)
2011-2012

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Helper</u>	<u>Misc.</u>	<u>Who is expected</u>
August 17	Check in on projects for 3 rd year – 4:00 – 5:00 Movie & Pizza – 5:30 – 8:00 (Narnia)			
September 25	Sunday School Hour in the Lounge – PROJECT DUE			
October 3	Introduction to Church Council – 7:00 – 7:30			
October 16	Retreat – 11:15 – yet to be determined (Service work & Confirmation Rehearsal)			
*3 rd years will also be assisting in worship through October, please note schedule				
October 30	Confirmation Sunday			

EXPECTATIONS:

3rd year students

- Attend dates above
- Assist in worship on Sundays
- Complete written & artistic confirmation project – on time
- Attend October council meeting to be introduced and approved

Additionally sometime before confirmation

- Attend the Spring Famine Retreat, atleast once
- Sugar Creek event or camp or retreat that is deemed equivalent (Summer trip counts, 2nd year famine)
- Attend a baptismal (Faith Beginnings class)

Parental / Guardian Expectations

- Pray for your child
- Model faith
- Practice PoWeRSuRGe (prayer, worship, read the Bible, serving, relationships, give)
- Attend confirmation classes where parents are expected
- Worship with your young person and give them support in fulfilling their worship duties
- Communicate questions, struggles and joys with Pastor(s)
- Support them in completing their confirmation project – both written and active – on time
- Visit with pastor, as needed, to complete confirmation requirements
- Encourage your child to continue to engage their faith beyond confirmation