

# **The First Congregational United Church of Christ of Appleton, Wisconsin**

## **Confirmation Ministry Expectations**

### **Attendance at All Classes**

Gatherings will (generally) be held on Sundays throughout the month after service. (If we move back to 2 services, it will be after the first service) Two excused absences are permitted if make-up assignments are completed.

### **Complete All Class Assignments**

Regular class assignments should take no more than one hour to complete and are meant to be completed with a parent/guardian. All assignments will be provided during Sunday discussions.

### **Meet with Mentors**

Each Confirmand will select a Mentor to accompany them through their Confirmation experience. Meetings with Mentors will take place during regularly scheduled gatherings 2–3 times a month.

### **Complete at Least Twelve Meditation Feedback Forms**

These are to be found and turned in at the front desk in the church office. If you are out of town and worship elsewhere, just bring back the worship bulletin signed by the minister and that will count as the same.

### **Complete Each of the Required Faith Experiences**

These trips are integral parts of the Confirmation process (Fall & Winter retreats, MLK Service, funeral home visit, Catholic worship, etc.). If one of these experiences is missed, you are encouraged to make it up the following year, even after you have been confirmed.

### **Serve the Church**

Each Confirmand will serve the church at least two times in some way during the year. Some examples: an usher, a greeter, a server for coffee fellowship, a liturgist, a soloist, an AV assistant, a Church School teaching assistant, etc.

### **Serve the Community**

Each Confirmand will take part in at least one community service project. The project can be through another service organization or through our church. We suggest attending the 2022 High School Youth Mission Trip and/or Service Sunday at the end of May. You can also serve a breakfast at Homeless Connections with other FCUCC youth.

### **Complete One Statement of Faith**

These will be finished in 2022 Fall gatherings, then presented to a Pastor in September and posted for the Congregation to read on Confirmation Sunday.

### **Parent Responsibility**

You can serve as a Confirmation guide (presence in non-Mentor weekly gathering), bring treats, serve as a chaperone for trips or serve as a Mentor for another youth.



—The Church of the Open Door—

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

724 E. South River Street, Appleton, WI 54915

August 2, 2021

Hello Parents of future Confirmands!

We're inviting your child to join us in the 2021-2022 Confirmation Class - **Way To Live** at First Congregational! I hope you're excited for this fall and our Confirmation experience; truly this will be an enriching time with many opportunities for you and your child to grow in your relationships and faith.

An important part of Confirmation is the Mentor relationship. The Mentor should be a baptized Christian, not necessarily a member of our church or denomination, but supportive of the Confirmand becoming a member of our church. Preferably the Mentor is someone from outside your family, but parents and extended family can serve as Mentors if needed.

**You (Parents and Confirmands) are responsible for finding a candidate**, and then notifying me of your choice. Please be proactive in locating a mentor! Given the current climate with covid, it might be difficult to find a Mentor for this year long commitment. I can help if absolutely need be, but I also may run into issues locating an available Mentor. Please be proactive!

Our first gathering will be Sunday, September 5th for Parents, Confirmands **and Mentors**. I look forward to our time together and the memories we will share.

Enclosed you will find:

1. Two copies of the 2021-2022 Confirmation calendar: one for you and one for your possible Mentor.
2. A response postcard with your choice of Confirmation Mentor.
3. All pertinent registration materials. Please return all forms with the registration fee of \$150 (check made out to First Congregational Church with Confirmation/Student's name in the Memo line) to the church office. Full or partial Scholarships are available, talk to Pastor Nick.

**DEADLINE FOR ALL REGISTRATION MATERIALS, PAYMENT, AND LOCATING MENTORS: September 5<sup>th</sup>!**

In Christ,

Pastor Nick Hatch



The First Congregational United Church of Christ of Appleton, Wisconsin

**2021-2022 Confirmation Class Registration**

**\*Please include \$150 registration fee with this form or contact Pastor Nick Hatch for scholarship availability\***

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Student Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

Student E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any allergies or special needs:

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Has this student been baptized? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Date (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

Full proper name \_\_\_\_\_  
(as you'd like it printed on the Confirmation certificate)

Parent/Guardian name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian name \_\_\_\_\_

Full Address \_\_\_\_\_

Full Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Best Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Best Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to the church:  
Member          Prospective member

Relationship to the church:  
Member          Prospective member

Visitor

Visitor

How would you like to serve as a volunteer?  
(check all that apply)

How would you like to serve as a volunteer?  
(check all that apply)

bring treats for class          help at events

bring treats for class          help at events

serve as chaperone

serve as chaperone

**Each Confirmand will be paired with their own Mentor who will accompany them through their Confirmation experience. Meetings with Mentors will take place during regularly scheduled class time two or three times per month.**

**Is there an adult that you would like to have designated as YOUR Mentor?  
Please fill out the following and return with your registration form!**

**Requested Mentor**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_