

29 August 2017

Dear Confirmation student and family,

Blessings and peace!

On behalf of Southminster Presbyterian Church, you are cordially invited to participate in this year's Confirmation process. We will hold an organizing meeting on **September 17th, at 2:30 PM** in Room 208. We hope you can be there.

The Confirmation process is an exciting time to explore your faith, as you "Grow into the full stature of Christ." It is a time for asking questions to deepen understanding. It is a time to decide exactly what it is that you believe. It is also an opportunity to share with and learn from others as we explore together. It is one of the first adult decisions you will be making.

Although frequently at the conclusion of the Confirmation process people are ready to become full members of Southminster Presbyterian Church or one of its sister congregation, with all of the responsibilities this entails, no one is required to do so. There will be plenty of time to discuss and consider church membership at a later date.

On September 17th, we will be making decisions about our meeting schedule, so please bring your calendars.

You are encouraged to invite a friend, if you know someone who might be open to sharing, learning and exploring their faith, as well. Also, you will need to **find a Covenant Partner**, an adult member of your congregation who you will meet with you during this process. Since we will be beginning so soon, you need to ask someone to do this with you before September 17th, so that you can invite them to attend the organizing meeting.

Attached are a copy of Orientation and Expectations for Confirmation, a draft of our Confirmation Covenant, as well as some information about Covenant Partners.

PS: It is hoped that your parents will also be able to attend this meeting, as there is information that they will need as well. If you have a question, or if there is a problem with joining us on September 17th, please call me (262) 547-5100, or email me at pastor@southminsterchurch.org .