

Confirmation Mentors

Good afternoon, Confirmation Parents,

February 10, 2026

Our first class went great! We enjoyed spending time introducing one another, and it is truly a wonderful group of kids; they were all so kind and respectful. John Riley was unable to be with us in person due to his mother-in-law's funeral, but we were able to FaceTime with him so he could still be part of our time together.

During class, we talked about the Confirmation journals and the main takeaways we hope each student will carry with them at the conclusion of this journey. One important part of Confirmation will be selecting a mentor. Mentors should be members of our church who can walk alongside your child, check in regularly, and be available for questions and encouragement.

I wanted to reach out to you first to see if any of you already have someone specific in mind to serve as your child's mentor. Please email me or text me at 919-624-0403 and let me know if you have someone, or if you would like me to help. If you don't have someone in mind, no problem at all, we will help get each student connected with a mentor in the coming week.

I look forward to seeing everyone this Sunday in the Sunday School classroom across from the Nursery. Thank you for sharing your children with us. We are excited for the months ahead!

What is a Mentor?

- A mentor is an adult Christian who is a spiritual friend, and/or advisor to one or more of our confirmands.
- A mentor is a mature Christian who is willing and able to talk to a youth about the mentor's experience of God.
- A mentor models the living of the Christian life for the confirmand. Ideally, when a confirmand has a question about what a Christian would do in any given set of circumstances, he or she ought to be able to look at the life of his or her mentor and see the answer.

Mentor Basics:

- Praying continually for their confirmand
- Helping their confirmand make the transition from being a child to a young adult member of our congregation; supporting their confirmand's present involvement and encouraging future, increasing involvement in worship, study, and prayer.
- Relating to their confirmand in a caring, responsible way.
- Helping their confirmand apply the lessons taught in confirmation class to their lives.
- Sharing with their confirmand your own spiritual journey.
- Helping their confirmand discover the talents God has given them.
- Being a good friend and listener.
- *Any additional meetings should be arranged by the youth and mentor, approved by a parent, and held in a public place, church, library, or restaurant.*