

# Confirmation Parent Guide

## What is Confirmation?

In the Lutheran Church, confirmation is a public rite that reaffirms a person's baptism and commitment to living out their faith in Jesus Christ. At King of Kings, this is an opportunity for Middle School students to reignite the faith they received through baptism and fan the flame so that they may live as called, unashamed, and purposeful followers of Jesus Christ every day.

Confirmation is structured as a two-year program for middle school students that includes 40 lessons split into four semesters (fall and winter each year). Lessons take place on Sundays and include games and snacks, worship, large group teaching and activities, and small group discussion. It culminates in a Confirmation Ceremony where students will confirm their faith in front of family and friends.

## What is the role of parents in Confirmation?

PARENTS are the most important role models and primary teachers for faith formation in their children. Parents should be active and involved in the church, attending worship regularly and volunteering when able. Discussions about faith, prayer, and Bible reading should happen regularly throughout the week at home. This sets an example for students in Christian living.

Confirmation is **not** a graduation. It is one step that students take in their faith journey to learn how to own their faith and confirm that this is what they believe. The church's job is to come alongside you as a resource for helping your children grow in their faith.

The King of Kings app is one tool to help parents connect with Confirmation at home. Parents will have access to the Parent Guide each week. The Parent Guide will consist of the following topics: What We Covered, Why We Talked About It, Catechism Connections, and What You Can Do About It. This last section is the most important. A Parent's involvement is crucial to the growth of a student's faith. Parents need the church, and the church needs parents.

It is also incredibly important for a parent to pray for their children and encourage them as they grow to follow Jesus in every aspect of their life.