

Overview of the Confirmation Program

The confirmation program is an individualized program designed to assist each young person to prepare for membership in the Presbyterian Church. Each confirmand comes into this process at a different point in their faith journey, with different gifts, interests, and needs.

The steps for moving through the confirmation program are:

1. Have completed the seventh grade or be fourteen years of age or older.
2. Not be a confirmed member of another church. (transfer of membership is another, simpler process.)
3. A Covenant Partner will be arranged for and an initial meeting between student and covenant partner will be set. The first meeting will include getting acquainted, a “faith review” and a preliminary look at the confirmation notebook.
4. Several group sessions will be led by church staff to assist with answering questions and completing assignments.
5. Once the notebook has been completed the group will meet to look at vows and the details of the session meeting at which the confirmand will share his/her statement of faith.
6. Appear before the Session to declare his or her faith and to be received into the common ministry of the Presbyterian Church.
7. Publicly declare his or her faith at a service of worship. This will include baptism, if needed.