# "Faith Affirmation Journey" Road Map!

## Annual Start-Up Gathering!

For 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, & 9<sup>th</sup> Grade
Students and Parents

Wed., Sept. 14, 2016, 7pm

#### Fulfilling the Promises Made By Parents In Baptism:

- ⊕ to live with them among God's faithful people,
- ⊕ Bring them to the word of God and the holy supper,
- ⊕ Nurture them in faith and prayer...

#### "...programs don't build faith. Relationships build faith." -vibrantfaith.org

#### Sixth Grade:

- 1. Jordan Fischer
- 2. Breckin Marczak
- 3. Will Myers
- 4. Ayden St. Pierre
- 5. Gregory Schafer
- 6. Julia Sterner
- 7. Miracle Tucker <u>Journey Guide(s)</u>:

F.I.R.E. Adults

#### **Seventh Grade**:

- 1. McKenzy Grunewald
- 2. Kiegan Marczak
- 3. Trenton Crain

Journey Guide(s):

F.I.R.E. Adults

#### Eighth Grade:

- 1. Trinity Broberg
- 2. Evan Gregoire
- 3. Jackson Klocow
- 4. Colby Marczak
- 5. Lucee Olson

<u>Journey Guide(s)</u>: Pastor

F.I.R.E. Adult Group

#### Ninth Grade:

- 1. Kaitlin Fischer
- 2. Jacob Myers
- 3. Rilee Olson
- 4. Trysta Schuler
- 5. Jada Peterson

Journey Guide(s):

**Pastor** 

F.I.R.E. Adult Group

### Bibles & Catechisms

are used in the Small Groups. New Bibles will be presented to 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Students (and others who've not received one) during the 10:15 Worship on Sept. 25.

Look for a letter in the mail about that.

#### "Faith Affirmation Journey"

includes participation in "F.I.R.E.!,"

our intergenerational, interactive weekly event which

begins on Wed., Sept. 21:

<u>5:45 Meal</u>,

6:30 Worship, 7:00 Small Groups,

7:45 Dismiss

< see Journey Itinerary or CLC Calendar for all exact dates >

## Small Group Gathering Places & Topics

6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grades: "Banner Room" (at very top of staircase) – Sparkhouse "Connect" Bible series (Year 2)

8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Grades: "Fellowship Room" (behind kitchen)

Sparkhouse "re:Form"Faith Topics (Year 2)

F.A.J. / F.I.R.E.! is a Digital Device

Use-Free



NOTE: a "Faith-Explore" sheet may be sent home and/or emailed once or twice a month to 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> students to complete at home with parent(s) and then bring to the next Small Group Gathering.

\* No school or weather early out = No FAJ/FIRE. \* If deteriorating conditions, check email or CLC Calendar. Find all this and all

#### "Faith Affirmation Journey"

info, forms, and sign-ups at

#### www.christcottonwood.org

Look under: "Learn & Grow!"

#### **Worship Reflections**

- ❖ Grades 8 & 9 will turn in 5 "Reflections" completed during attendance at Sunday worship.
- \* Reflection Sheets are available in the top file tray on the counter in the Office Hallway.
- Completed Sheets may be put in the bottom tray, or given to Pastor.

RECEIPT OPTION —an optional tear-off receipt at the end of the form may be dated and signed by Pastor (*or another Guide*) and given back to the student as "Proof of Completion." Changes to the number of Reflections recorded will be made only if student can show additional signed "Receipt(s)."

#### **Meal Support**

Eating together is a Faith-Growing experience!

Family support in the following <u>two ways</u> is needed to help provide this nourishment for the Journey:

- 1. A suggested **Contribution of \$40/student**. Each family will receive an **envelope** to send to church office with the amount you are able to contribute.
- 2. And also, **Sign up for 6 Meal Helper "slots"** (2 persons on 3 Wednesdays, or 3 persons on 2 Wednesdays, etc.). Families with multiple students sign up for **8** "slots." A Helping Guide is posted in kitchen and online.

OR, Choose one of these alternatives below:

- a. Provide, prepare, & serve one F.I.R.E. meal in place of #1 & #2.
- b. Do "a." with another family and also half of #2.

Use the <u>Online Sign-Up</u> link on our website on the Worship/Worship Assistants Schedules Page!

#### Servant Acts

Grades 8-9 Complete 2 per yr.
At least 1 hour of activity
Help someone – not family
Not a school activity

Fill Out A
Servant Act
Report

SW MN Synod 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Gr. Youth Gathering Willmar, Nov. 18-19, 19-20

See Health/Release Form & Info Enclosed or Online Bring to Start-up!

#### Acolytes (Candle Lighters) & Communion Assistants

- ✓ Each 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Gr. Student will be scheduled\* to Acolyte 10 weeks (includes any Wed. services).
- ✓ Each 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Student will be scheduled\*\* to be a Communion Assistance for 6 Services.
  - \* Access live <u>Schedules Online</u> under Worship Menu/Worship Assistants Schedules.
    - \*\* Please Swap dates or Find Subs when unable to come as scheduled.
    - An orientation to these worship roles will take place at the Start-Up Gathering -