



# Children, Youth and Family Ministry News



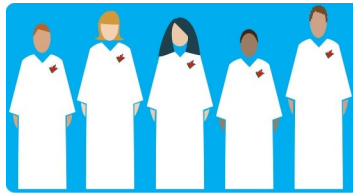
## OCTOBER

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### Confirmation Oct 14 -

Confirmation Sunday will be Oct. 14th this year. We have a wonderful group of 10th graders who have put in years of hard work and preparation for this day! We hope you can join us at the second service and welcome them as adult members of the church! Please stop by the fellowship hall after either service to talk to the confirmands and see their faith projects and hear more about their faith at work in their lives!

Pastor Jordan



Kudos to Our Confirmands

### Our Wednesday GIG

What a great start to our program year we've had so far! Our Wednesday nights are busier than ever! We started our Wednesday night programming September 12th with a blowout of a night. We fed over 115 people for dinner, we had a great worship led by our youth, we were surrounded by friends and family, and then we moved on to all of our different education options! For our 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> graders they got to *Grow in God* by starting off the year in their groups and working through fun and biblical curriculum, which they will be doing each week. For our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Graders they got to *Grow in God* by starting again in our Confirmation program. It should be a busy and faith forming year for them! Right now, our 9th graders and adults are *Growing in God* in our new member faith basics class. There is even another way for our adults to *Grow in God* at our Parents Bible discussion group. There are so many options for so many people, we hope that you will try out our Wednesday night GIG



Wednesday GIG  
5:15 PM Dinner Worship  
6:30 PM Wednesday School Grades 1-9, Parents' Bible Study

## Sunday's GIG -

For our Sunday faith educational programming we have started GIG, Growing In God. With GIG, we are committing to growing the faith of all ages together. Why is this important? We know that when all peoples of all ages get together God is present as well. We know that the Holy Spirit is speaking to us all. We are all learning about God together. Sharing how God has affected our lives. God is affecting the life of a 4-year-old as much as the 84-year-old and we know that affirming how God is moving in our lives is incredibly uplifting for our faiths. Our first week of GIG one of our 5-year-olds answered the question "What is the story behind your name?" with "because God made me that way." A profound truth that we all need to hear more often. And honestly a much better answer than most of us had, though there were many other good ones too! On Sundays, we are coming together as people of all ages of all backgrounds and finding where God has met us in the past week and will be meeting us in the week to come. I hope that you will join us and dive into God's call for you! And for one more promotion, stop in and enjoy a delicious caramel roll, fruit juice and coffee as well!



**Sunday GIG**

**8:00 AM Worship Service**

**9:15-9:55 AM INTERGENERATIONAL Sunday School**

**10:00 AM Worship Service**



## All Ages retreat -

What a beautiful weekend to be alive in God's Great North Woods! I already can't wait to go again next year! In fact, mark your calendars now because I absolutely hope you can come too! June 21st through the 23rd at Camp Hiawatha! It was so much fun to be up at camp this last August! There was plenty of time for relaxation, warm beautiful weather and water, great people to hang out with and even an exciting bocce ball tournament that went down to the wire! It is truly a weekend worth taking and a great experience for the whole family to enjoy together. We also shared great Bible learning times for children, teens and adults. That is what camp is all about. Bring people together in a new place so we can create memories that will last a lifetime and grow in our faith at the same time!