

# **CONFIRMATION GOALS & OBJECTIVES**

## **GOALS and OBJECTIVES of FIRST CHURCH**

- to prepare young people to make the very important and mature decision to say "yes" to their baptism, continue the process of growing in faith, and officially join the church.
- to bring each participant into a real and relevant relationship with the God of Jesus Christ.
- to guide young people in understanding what it means to live a Christian life and give them the tools to live that life to the fullest.
- to surround young people with peers, leaders, teachers, and mentors that will take them seriously and model the Christian life.
- to celebrate, on the day of confirmation, an individual who has assumed responsibility for his or her own faith journey

## **GOALS and OBJECTIVES of CONFIRMANDS**

- to grow in relationship with God and one another through fellowship, mission, service, and learning.
- to understand that growing in knowledge and relationship with God is a journey comprised of a lifetime of experiences.
- to understand that God speaks to us and touches our hearts in different ways; that each journey is unique and personal.
- to engage in a wide range of experiences that provide many opportunities to learn about and encounter God.
- to make the commitment to say on your confirmation day, "I want to continue this journey as a member of Christ's Church."

## **GOALS and OBJECTIVES of PARENTS**

- to think about your own relationship with God, how it informs your life, and share it with your child.
- to think about your church and faith experiences, how they affect your life and your faith, and share those thoughts with your child.
- to be open to any questions your child might have during their confirmation journey and beyond.
- to help your child understand your personal church history (where you have attended and why) and to attend worship together.
- to treat Confirmation like you would school, sports, music, or art and encourage your child in the Confirmation process.