

THE CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE

- **Purple = Events for both Students and Parents**
- **Blue = Large Group Gatherings**
- **Green = Small Group Gatherings and Events**
- **Red = Special Events**
- **Orange = Junior Fellowship and other encouraged events**



DATE & TIME	ACTIVITY & PLACE
Friday, September 8, 2:10-4:30pm	Junior Fellowship
Sunday, September 17, 5-7pm	Pot Luck & Information Meeting for students & parents in Palmer Hall
Wednesday, September 20th	Last day to register for Confirmation!!
Sunday, September 24, 10am	Young Adult Communities of Service Commissioning Service in the Sanctuary
Friday, September 29, 2:10-4:30pm	Junior Fellowship
Saturday, October 1, Worship 10am; Service Project 11am	Sarah Stops Hunger in the Sanctuary and Palmer Hall
Sunday, October 1, 5-7pm	Large Group Meeting (The Bible) in Palmer Hall
Sunday, October 15, 5-7pm	Small Group Meeting (God) at host homes
Sunday, October 22, 10 am	Open and Affirming 5 Year Anniversary Service in the Sanctuary
Friday, October 27, 2:10-4:30pm	Junior Fellowship
Sunday, October 29, 5:30-8pm	First Church Intergenerational Lip Sync Battle!
Sunday, November 5, 5-7pm	Large Group Meeting (Jesus) in Palmer Hall
Friday, November 17, 2:10-4:30pm	Junior Fellowship
Sunday, November 19, 5-7pm	Small Group Meeting (Holy Spirit) at host homes
Sunday, December 3, 5-7pm	Large Group Meeting (Worship) in Palmer Hall
Sunday, December 10, 5-7pm	Small Group Meeting (Advent & Christmas) at host homes
Friday, December 15, 2:10-4:30pm	Junior Fellowship
January/February (specific times TBA)	Soup Kitchen in small groups at First Church and South Park Inn Shelter
Friday, January 5, 2:10-4:30pm	Junior Fellowship
Sunday, January 7, 5-7pm	Large Group Meeting (Baptism & Communion) in Palmer Hall
Sunday, January 21, 5-7pm	Small Group Meeting (Saints) at host homes
Sunday, January 28, 5-7pm	Large Group Meeting (Prayer) in Palmer Hall
Saturday, February 3 at 6:30pm through February 4 at 11am	Junior Fellowship (Overnight Lock In)
Sunday, February 11, 5-7pm	Small Group Meeting (Ministry) at host homes

Wednesday, February 14, 6:30am - 8:30am	Ash Wednesday "Eggs and Ashes" in Palmer Hall. Come before school, come before work. Enjoy Sal's famous eggs and receive ashes as together we begin the Season of Lent.
Friday, February 23, 2:10-4:30pm	Junior Fellowship
March/April (specific times TBD)	Pizza with the Pastors in small groups at host homes
Sunday, March 4, 5-7pm	Large Group Meeting (Christianity & Other Religions) in Palmer Hall
Sunday, March 4, 7-8pm	Confirmands attend the first hour of PF Youth Group
Friday, March 16, 2:10-4:30pm	Junior Fellowship
Sunday, March 18, 5-7pm	Small Group Mtg. (Life of the Church) at host homes
Saturday, March 24, 1pm through Sunday, March 25, 1pm	Confirmation Retreat (specific details to be emailed 4-6 weeks before the retreat)
Thursday, March 29, 6:30-8:30pm	Large Group Meeting (Holy Week & Easter) in the Youth Room from 6:30-7:00pm for students and parents followed by the Maundy Thursday Service in the Sanctuary from 7:00-8:00pm for students and parents.
Sunday, April 1, 6am-10am	Youth Hosted Easter Pancake Breakfast
Friday, April 6, 2:10-4:30pm	Junior Fellowship
Sunday, April 15, 5-7pm	Large Group Meeting (Christian Living) in Palmer Hall
Sunday, April 22, 5-7pm	Small Group Meetings (The Faith Journey Continues) at host homes
Friday, May 4, 2:10-4:30pm	Junior Fellowship
Sunday, May 6, 5-7pm	Large Group Closing Dinner for students and parents in Palmer Hall
Saturday, May 19, 9-10:15am	Confirmation Rehearsal in the Sanctuary.
Sunday, May 20, Confirmands gather at 9:30am; Service begins at 10am.	Confirmation Sunday! Family and friends are invited! Join us for a brief reception in Palmer Hall following the service.
Friday, June 1, 2:10-4:30pm	Junior Fellowship (Closing Picnic at Town Forest Park)
Monday, June 18 through Friday, June 22	Vacation Bible School. Talk to Mrs. Cole about being a leader today!
Sunday, June 24 through Saturday, June 30	Youth Mission Pilgrimage. Save these dates, more information to come!

WORSHIP EXPECTATIONS

Worship is at 8:30 am and 10 am every Sunday morning. In addition to the schedule above...

- Students are expected to attend worship on a consistent basis, at least two Sunday's per month.
- Students are required to complete five Worship Reflection Forms throughout the year (to be explained at the September 17th Potluck and Information Meeting)
- Each student will serve as acolyte one time before Confirmation Sunday. Sign up on the Confirmation page at www.fccsimsbury.org.

CONFIRMATION ATTENDANCE POLICY

Students and parents are expected to make Confirmation a top priority. Attendance is very important. The attendance policy is as follows...

- The Confirmation year builds from one meeting and activity to the next, and the absence of one person affects the experience of everyone in the class. Therefore, three absences are acceptable. Please let your adult small group leader know in advance if you are unable to make a meeting, and be sure to check in with him or her to catch up on missed content and conversation.
- After a fourth absence, a meeting with Rev. Kev and your small group leader will be convened. We will check in and make clear that the limit has been reached on excused absences.
- After a fifth absence, you will have missed too much content to be Confirmed with your class. You must start over with next year's class.

*Please note: The **purple**, **blue**, **green**, and **red** color-coded meetings count towards the attendance policy. The **orange** Junior Fellowship events are strongly encouraged but not required. Students must attend their group's soup kitchen to be Confirmed.

SPIRITUAL ATTRIBUTES

- Have a spiritual commitment
- Listen
- Be respectful of everyone
- Be willing to learn from others
- Seek understanding
- Have a positive attitude
- Reflect on your experiences
- Laugh and have fun