



**St. John's
Lutheran**

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Dear Parents,

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As we discussed at the 5-6th grade Parent/Student Orientation meeting on September 7 we are doing some "remodeling" of our Confirmation programs. The 5-6th grade curriculum has changed and we are now focusing on the Old and New Testament as a pre-confirmation program. The class time each week is set up similar to Wednesday night confirmation nights with some more interactive discussions and projects that will help the students dig deeper into their Bibles and their faith.

One aspect of this program is that each student will also acolyte during a Sunday morning service at least 1 time during the year (I do have a couple of you down 2 times). The majority of you have been trained by Pastor Marie on either Sunday morning or Wednesday when you have been here for class. We will continue to train the rest of you over the next couple of weeks.

If you did not sign up to acolyte at the Orientation meeting in September, I just filled in the blanks. I did not automatically schedule anyone on the holidays-Christmas or Easter but did leave those open to those who would be willing to fill in those spots.

If you are not able to acolyte on your assigned week or time it is YOUR responsibility to switch with someone. You will need to call the church on or before the Wednesday of the week you are scheduled to acolyte if there are any changes. At the beginning of each month I will send out a reminder cards to those students who are scheduled to acolyte. It will also be printed in the monthly Messenger and in the weekly bulletin.

I have enclosed a copy of this year's Sunday dates and who is scheduled to acolyte and the card that was handed out at the orientation on Acolyte Basics.

Please feel free to contact me with questions.

Blessings,

Missy Tjosaas