

Mentoring

Mentoring is a time-honored way of passing down faith. A mentor is a wise and trusted counselor/teacher. Confirmation at Zion includes this faith tradition which is designed to enhance a young person's faith by having intentional faith discussions with a Christian adult who is typically not the primary caregiver in the student's life.

For confirmation students, a mentor must be someone who meets the following criteria:

- † Chosen by the student, with parent approval (Suggestions? Talk to a leader)
- † At least 25 years of age
- † An active Christian; any church
- † Is willing to be influential in the life of a young person

This program will take place primarily during Lent and will follow a prepared curriculum. This will be a new experience for the students new to the program. *Parents are always encouraged to work with their child to choose a mentor. It is the students responsibility to invite an adult into the mentoring relationship with them.*

During Lent, mentors and students need to meet for three prepared sessions (students are able to choose three of five topics for these). These sessions will explore issues of faith and life. Each session may be done with other student/mentor pairs, over dinner or any way that best nurtures the relationship.

Please report completed legible mentor times on a "Notes for the Record", including details, times, mentors name and signature from mentor.

The lessons available are as follows:

- How to share your faith with someone
- How to pray
- How to forgive someone
- How to cope with loss & grief
- How to be saved (by grace through faith not by your good works)

Mentors may go to <http://www.zionbuffalo.org/confirmation> to download the lessons.

Mentors may want to download these forms ahead of time, so they know the subject matter to be discussed.

If at any time you have questions or concerns, please contact me at the info below.

God's Peace,



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