

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION FORM

For the Class of 2008

Child's Name: _____ Male/Female: _____

Father's Name: _____ Mother's Name: _____

Street Address: _____ City & Zip: _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____ Child's Birthday: ___/___/___ Child's

School (6th Grade): _____

Dad's Work Phone: (_____) _____ Mom's Work Phone : (_____) _____

Dad's Cell Phone: (_____) _____ Mom's Cell Phone: (_____) _____

Preferred Family Email

Email: _____

(NOTE: This will be our **primary** form of contact for both parents & youth.)

Dad's Work Email: _____ Mom's Work Email: _____

Other Parent Contact Information (If Divorced)

Other Parent's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Email: _____

Baptism & Membership Information

Baptism Information

The United Methodist Church honors and accepts **all** forms of baptism from all churches and denominations. If your child has **ever** been baptized, there is no need for your child to be baptized again. A service of baptism is part of the confirmation service for those who have not been baptized.

My Child: _____ Has been baptized: Date ___/___/___ Location: _____

_____ Has **not** been baptized

Current Church Membership Information

We are: _____ Members of Highland Park United Methodist Church

Or: _____ Members of: _____

Address: _____

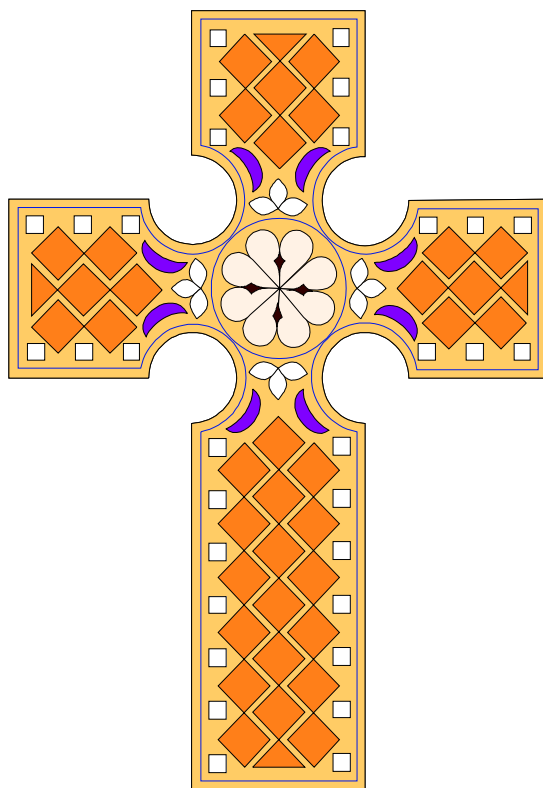
Please return this completed form ASAP to:

Rev. Walt Marcum, Youth Office, Highland Park UMC

3300 Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, Texas 75205

Call Walt at (214) 523-2235 (Office) or (214) 616-4770 (Cell) if you have questions.

SIXTH GRADE CONFIRMATION



CONFIRMATION
2008

June 2007 through May 2008

Highland Park United Methodist Church

Attention All Incoming 6th Graders!

This summer begins your year for Confirmation. We hope you are excited about your 6th grade year at Highland Park United Methodist Church. It is going to be a blast!

What Is Confirmation?

Confirmation is a 12 month long program (including the summer). It is a special time when you will learn about and experience the Christian faith. You will learn about God, Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit, the Bible, your Christian roots, and how to be a committed disciple of Christ. You will have retreats, mission opportunities, field trips, and parties, as well as your awesome weekly class.

Confirmation Is a Year Long Youth Program

Confirmation is much more than just a Sunday morning class. We'll have our own parties, trips, retreats, events, activities. Take a deep breath, climb on board, and get ready for an awesome year of fun.

Begin Confirmation With An Awesome Summer Program

This year Confirmation will begin on **June 3** with our summer Sunday school class - featuring special "challenges" from lower elements of ropes courses. Dress casual and come prepared to experience a different "challenge" each Sunday.

Each week we will have a new and different challenge activity. Our class will meet **every Sunday morning** from June through May **from 9:30 am until 10:45 a.m. in the Basement of the Wallace Building.**

Our Formal Class Sessions Will Begin In the Fall

On Sunday, **August 26**, we will begin our formal confirmation class. Our class will continue to meet **every Sunday morning** through May **from 9:30 am until 10:45 a.m. in the Basement of the Wallace Building.** Each week will include singing, a large group session, and small group time where you can get closer to others and process what we are learning in a more intimate setting. Confirmation class will culminate on **May 18th** when we have our confirmation service.

And - We Will Have Tons of Special Events

In addition to the Sunday morning class, we will have a wide variety of special events. These include parent meetings, spring break and summer mission trips, four local mission experiences, two retreats at Sky Ranch, four trips to other churches, monthly recreational activities - and much more. We'll have two swim parties at the SMU pool, go to Adventure Landing, Exposure Rock Climbing Gym, Main Event (Bowling, Laser Tag, Video Games), Group Dynamics (High Ropes), Whirly Ball, Laser Quest Well, you get the idea. There are over 40 special events through the year!

Who Is In Charge of Confirmation?

Our Confirmation program is sponsored and administered through the Youth Department. The program is led by Reverend Walt Marcum, Minister to Youth and Families and a leadership team of over 80 parents. If you are not currently on the leadership team and are interested in helping, call Walt.

What About Attendance Requirements?

Our Confirmation program is a comprehensive package of classes and events. It is intended that participants be involved in the whole range of activities, not just the morning classes. In our parent meetings we will discuss the expectations that go along with the confirmation program.

I'm New! Can I Still Join The Class?

Youth and families can come on board at any time. Confirmation is our 6th grade Sunday school & youth program.

Be a Part of Our Youth Choir

Make Youth Choir a part of your Confirmation Year. It rehearses each Sunday at 4:30 pm. beginning in late August and you will be eligible to sing in worship, participate in the Dessert Theater, and go on the summer choir tour the summer after confirmation.

Special Youth Events & Activities

In addition to all of the confirmation activities you will be eligible to attend several special youth activities, including a mission trip during a portion of Spring Break.

Mark Your Calendar For These Important Dates!

Confirmation has many special events, but a few are especially important. Put these on your calendar immediately!

Summer Confirmation Begins

June 3, 2007

Regular Confirmation Classes Begin

August 26, 2007

Covenant Service

September 16, 2007

Fall Retreat to Sky Ranch

September 21-23, 2007

Confirmation Sunday

May 18, 2008

Promotion Into 7th Grade

May 27, 2008

4 Important Parent Meetings!

Tuesday, May 22, 7:00 p.m. in the Basement of Wallace

Orientation to Confirmation & Our Summer Program

Wednesday, August 29 , 7:00 p.m. in the 5th Grade Room

Link Parents' Meeting (For Wednesday Evening Program)

Tuesday, September 18, 7:00 p.m. in the Basement of Wallace

Orientation to Fall Program & The Fall Retreat

Tuesday, April 15, 7:00 p.m. in the Basement of Wallace

Orientation to 7th Grade & HPUMC's Youth Program

I Want to Be a Part of the Confirmation 2008 Class! What Do I Do?

Parents:

- 1) Mail in this registration form ASAP! Or, phone in your registration at (214) 523-2233
- 2) Come to our first orientation meeting on Tuesday, **May 22**, at 7:00p.m.
- 3) Then bring your child to the confirmation class in the Basement of the Wallace Building on Sunday mornings beginning **June 3**.

Walt is also available to answer any questions. You can reach him by calling (214) 523-2235.

Youth:

Come to the Basement of the Wallace Building on **Sunday, June 3 at 9:30 am** for our special summer class - and prepare to have your socks knocked off! **And** be sure you are in the Basement of Wallace at 9:30 am on **Sunday, August 26** as we kick off our regular confirmation class.

As A Parent, How Can I Get Involved?

The Confirmation year involves the parents in many ways. Confirmation is a very important step in the life of your child and in the life of your family, one which requires an open mind and a listening ear as your child explores what it means to be a Christian and makes one of the most important decisions in his or her life.

Our teaching and leadership team is made up of parents. We have already recruited a large leadership team of over 80 parents who will run this year's confirmation class and activities, but we are always open to more parents helping out. Even if you are not on the leadership team, there are many opportunities for you to have hands-on involvement with the program and with your child. We need parents to help with a wide variety of specific events and projects. Enclosed with this packet you will find a **Parent Volunteer Form** that will give you an opportunity to volunteer to help out with our confirmation class.

Please return the form to the youth office. Call Walt at the office 214 523-2235 if you have any questions about job descriptions.

**For More Information Call:
Rev. Walt Marcum in the Youth Office @ 214 523-223**



