

# HIGHLAND PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## Major Dates and Curriculum for Confirmation Class for 2007-2008

Updated: July 17, 2007

### Fall Calendar 2007

Sun., Aug. 19, 4:30 p.m.	Youth Choir Begins
<b>Sat., Aug. 25, 11 a.m.</b>	<b>Leadership Team Preps Room for 1<sup>st</sup> Fall Class Session</b>
Sun. Aug 26 9:15am	Week #1: "Getting Acquainted"
<b>Sun. Aug 26, 6-8 p.m.</b>	<b>Confirmation Social: Cookout &amp; Pool Party at the SMU Pool</b>
Wed., Aug. 29, 7 p.m.	Link Parents' Meeting
<b>Sun. Sept 2 9:15am</b>	<b>Week #2: "Overview of Confirmation"</b>
Tues., Sept 4., 7 p.m.	Retreat Training for Adults Going on the Sky Ranch Retreat
<b>Wed., Sept. 5, 6 p.m.</b>	<b>Link Kick Off</b>
Fri-Sun, Sept 7-9	Fall Confirmation Retreat to Sky Ranch
<b>Sun., Sept. 9, 6 p.m.</b>	<b>Leadership Dinner (Coordinators only)</b>
Sun., Sept 16 9:15a.m.	Week #4: "Preparation for the Covenant Service I"
<b>Wed., Sept. 19, 6 p.m.</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Parents Meeting: Preview Fall Program</b>
Sun., Sept. 23 9:15 a.m.	Week #5: "Final Preparation for Covenant Service II" (SERVICE at 2 PM)
<b>Sun, Sept. 23, 2 p.m.</b>	<b>Confirmation Covenant Service (Sanctuary)</b>
Wed., Sept. 26, 6 p.m.	Small Group Leader's Training: Listening Skills
<b>Sun., Sept 30 9:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Week #6: "What Is a Christian &amp; What Is the Church?"</b>
<b>Fri., Oct 5</b>	Week #7a: "Visit to a Jewish Synagogue or Temple" (Friday Evening)
<b>Sun., Oct 7 9:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Week #7b: "Our Jewish Heritage" (Synagogue Visit Friday Before)</b>
Sun, Oct 7, 7:00 p.m.	Adventure Landing
<b>Sun, Oct 14, 10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Confirmation Visits St. Patrick's Catholic Church</b>
Sun., Oct 21 9:15 a.m.	Week #9: "Our Common Heritage With All Christians"
<b>Wed., Oct 24, 6 p.m.</b>	<b>Small Group Leader's Training: Asking Questions</b>
Sun., Oct 28 8:30 a.m.	Week #10 "Visit to an Episcopal Church"
<b>Sun., Oct 28 6:30-9:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Confirmation Social: Exposure (Indoor Rock Climbing)</b>
Sun., Nov 4 9:15 a.m.	Week #11 "Our Protestant & Episcopal Heritage"
<b>Sun., Nov 11, 7:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Week #12: "Visit St. Luke Community UMC</b>
Wed., Nov. 14, 6 p.m.	Small Group Leader's Training: Helping Members Make Decisions
<b>Sun., Nov 18 9:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Week #13 "Our United Methodist Heritage"</b>
Sun., Nov. 18, 7 p.m.	Main Event

Sun., Nov 25, 9:15 a.m. Week #14 "Our Highland Park UMC Heritage" (video presentation)

**Sun., Dec 2, 9:15 a.m. Week #15: "The 'Connection' – How Methodists Are Organized"**

Sun., Dec 9, 9:15 a.m. Week #16: "What You Need to Know About Worship"

**Sun, Dec. 9, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Confirmation Social: Ice Skating at the Galleria**

Sun., Dec 16, 9:15 a.m. Week #17: "What You Need to Know About Prayer"

**Fri., Dec., 21, 6-8 p.m. Caroling Shut-Ins**

Sun., Dec 23, 9:15 a.m. Week #18: "What You Need To Know About Our Hymnal"

**Sun., Dec 30, 9:15 a.m. Week #19: "Understanding Communion" (communion service)**

### Spring Calendar 2008

Sun., Jan 6, 9:15 a.m. Week #20: "Understanding Baptism"

**Wed., Jan 9, 6 p.m. Small Group Leaders Training: Facilitating a Discussion**

Sun., Jan 13 9:15 a.m. Week #21: "How Christians Decide Right & Wrong"

**Sun., Jan 13, 6 p.m. Leadership Dinner (Coordinators only)**

Sat., Jan 19, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Confirmation Mission (Dickinson Place)

**Sun., Jan 20 9:15 a.m. Week #22: "The Social Principles of the United Methodist Church**

Fri., Jan 25-26 7 p.m. Lock in Confirmation Social:  
**Group Dynamics (Indoor Ropes Course & Games)**

Sun., Feb 3, 9:15 a.m. Week #24: "Faith - to Trust, to Believe, to Commit"

**Sun., Feb 10, 9:15 a.m. Week #25: "How United Methodists Approach Belief"**

Wed., Feb 13, 6 p.m. Small Group Leader's Training

**Sat., Feb 16, 9:00-12:00. Confirmation Mission at Wilkinson Center (Help in Center)**

Sun, Feb 17 Youth Choir: Dessert Theatre

**Sun., Feb 17 9:15 a.m. Week #26: "Our Historical Creeds & Our Articles of Religion"**

Fri-Sun, Feb 22-24 Swishin' for Mission Fundraiser (Basketball Tourn. for 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders)

**Sun, Feb 24, 2-5 p.m. Bishop's Confirmation Celebration**

Sun., Feb 24 9:15 a.m. Week #27: "The Bible as a Guide to Belief"

**Sun., Mar 2 9:15 a.m. Week #28: "How to Use the Bible as a Tool of Faith" (The Bible Game)**

Sun, Mar 2, 6:30 – 8:30 pm. Confirmation Social: Whirly Ball

**Sat., March 8, 9:30-12:00 Mission: Wesley Rankin**

Sun., Mar 9 9:15 a.m. Week #29 "Who Is The God We Worship?"

**Sat-Thurs., March 15-20 Junior High Spring Break Mission (Grades 6-8)**

Sun., Mar 16 9:15 a.m. Week #30: "Human: Created - in the Image of God")

Sun., Mar 23 9:15 a.m.	Week #31 <b>EASTER SUNDAY (Class Does Not Meet)</b>
<b>Wed., Mar 26, 6 p.m.</b>	<b>Small Group Leaders Training</b>
Sun., Mar 30 9:15 a.m.	Week #32: "What Is Sin?"
<b>Sun., Mar 30, 6:30-8:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Confirmation Social: Laser Quest</b>
Sun., Apr 6 9:15 a.m.	Week #33: "Who Is Jesus & What Did He Do?"
<b>Sun., Apr 13 9:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Week #34: "What Is Salvation?"</b>
Sun., April 20	Week #35: "What Is the Holy Spirit?"
<b>Wed., April 23, 6:00p.m.</b>	<b>3rd Parent Meeting (Spring Retreat &amp; Your Child's Decision)</b>
7:00 pm	Training Session for All Adults Going On the Spring Retreat
<b>Fri-Sun., April 25-27</b>	<b>Spring Confirmation Retreat at Sky Ranch</b>
Sun., May 4 9:15 a.m.	Week #37: "Hope: Beyond History & After Death?"
<b>Sun., May 4, 5 p.m.</b>	<b>Dinner with Mark Craig (Wesley Hall)</b>
Wed., May 7, 6 p.m.	Last Link
<b>Sun., May 11 9:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Week #38: "Prep for the Confirmation Service"</b>
Sat., May 17, 10 a.m.	Rehearsal for Confirmation Service
<b>Sun., May 18 9:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Week #39: "Final Preparation for the Confirmation" (SERVICE at 2 pm)</b>
Sun, May 18, 2 p.m.	Confirmation Service & Reception
6-8 p.m.	Cook Out & Pool Party 2 the SMU Pool
<b>Tues., May 20, 7 p.m.</b>	<b>Parent Orientation to 7<sup>th</sup> grade</b>
Sun., May 25, 9:30 a.m.	Confirmation Class Welcomed into 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade & Youth Program

### Summer 2008

**June 7 – June 15 Choir Tour**

June 24-28 Colorado Wilderness Trip

**July 19-26 Middle School Summer Mission Trip**