FALL 2017 Confirmation Calendar

Confirmands are welcome to all youth group activities before the first Confirmation session on September 10; starting August 6 with Promotion Sunday. This includes <u>First</u> <u>Word</u> (August 6), <u>Encounter</u> (starting August 13), and <u>Engage</u> (starting August 16).

• August 6: Promotion Sunday

- Sunday School in August a time of intentional group-building amongst the grades, including Confirmation
 - > Fellowship. Group-building Games. Breakout Sessions
 - Focus on welcoming these youth into the life of our youth program and developing relationships with the older youth

August 25-27: Confirmation Retreat

- Camp Glisson Retreat Center in Dahlonega, Ga.
- A time for Confirmation Class team-building, reflection, worship, and establishing deeper roots in the community of faith

• September 10: Session 1

- Introduction to Credo Curriculum Unit 3
 - "Live Your Commitment"
 - > What does this mean?
 - ➢ How do we commit to it?
 - Acolyte/Worship Component led by Janis Maxwell included in this session
- September 17: Session 2
 - Renounce, Reject, Repent
- September 24: Session 3
 - o Accept

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- October 1: Session 4
 - \circ Confess
- October 8: Session 5
 - I Believe (The Creeds)
- October 15: Session 6
 - Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service, and Witness
- October 29: Session 7
 - \circ Going Forth
- November 5: Session 8
 - $\circ~$ Dress Rehearsal with parent(s) in the Sanctaury for Confirmation Sunday
- November 9: Confirmation Banquet
 - \circ $\,$ Celebration banquet in Hancock Hall with Confirm ands and their families
- November 12: Confirmation Sunday
 - \circ $\;$ Worship, Baptism, and Confirmation in the Athens First UMC sanctuary