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Dear Confirmation Parents and Students,

We are excited at Mulberry Street United Methodist Church to offer a Confirmation Class each year for all youth in Grades 6 through 12. This is for youth who are interested in confirming their faith in Jesus Christ, and becoming a member of Mulberry Street United Methodist Church. Usually most of our youth participate during their 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> grade year, but any youth is welcome to participate.

The class will meet on Sunday morning from **9:40 to 10:50 am (during the Sunday School Hour)**. Donuts will be available in the youth area from 9:30 and we will move to our classroom and begin at 9:40. Flo Martin, Ed and Melinda Powell, and Cameron Bishop will be leading the class. During the course of this class we will learn about our Christian beliefs, our church and our Christian heritage, and how we can respond in our lives to God's grace and call to claim the name **Christian**.

**There will be a parents and youth class on Sunday, January 25. We need you to attend!** We will meet in the Parlor. We will serve some breakfast foods beginning at **9:30am** and run until **10:50am**. This will be an opportunity to *give you an overview of our sessions, answer questions, go over schedule and share together* as we begin this part of the journey in our faith.

As part of the Confirmation experience we will be attending the Confirmation Retreat at Epworth-by-the-Sea, February 27 – March 1. We will need to know on Sunday morning (Jan. 25) at our meeting if you can attend the retreat because this event fills up QUICKLY! We will give you a registration form to fill out that morning. You will need Insurance information to complete the form so bring that to our meeting.

Our Confirmation classes will last through May 17, with our service of Confirmation on that Sunday. Each youth will have the opportunity to decide whether to be confirmed. It may be that you may choose to be confirmed later or not at all. Choosing not to be confirmed does not affect your ability to participate in the church or in any youth activities that our church offers.

We are enclosing a page for you to read that may help you in your understanding of Confirmation and making a decision. Please contact us if you have any questions.

Call or email Cameron and let us know **for sure** if you are planning to participate in Confirmation and if you will be at the first session on January 25.

We look forward to joining you on this journey as we seek to claim the name *Christian*.

Serving our Lord,

Cameron Bishop