

Confirmation Parents' Schedule 2019-2020

- **September 4:** Meeting with parents to review the schedule and expectations of students and parents and answer questions. Discuss use of social media.
- **September 11:** What issues are today's teens facing? The list is long, and "a snow globe full of glitter is an apt metaphor for the emotional chaos of the adolescent brain," writes Lisa Damour.
- **September 18:** A look at the importance of ritual for family and community and a list of the many rituals in which we are participants.
- **September 25:** Talking about money with our kids. How do we help kids become good stewards of their gifts and resources.
- **October 2:** LCM is a "denominational" congregation; we share our identity as "Lutheran" with people throughout the world and together. Helen Keller said, "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." A look at the many benefits of being part of a denomination.
- **October 9:** A look at "Lutherans Restoring Creation" and an invitation to become a Creation-Care Congregation reviewing their suggested "Action Plan Ideas."
- **October 16:** *UnSelfie: Why Empathetic Kids Succeed in Our All-About-Me World* by Dr. Michele Borba. "Put the most charitable construction on all your neighbor's actions," writes Martin Luther, explaining the 8th commandment; Dr. Borba offers a blueprint for parents and students to be kind, moral, courageous and resilient.
- **October 23:** A visit to nearby Roman Catholic Church
- **October 30:** Addiction, mental health, and suicide: Resources from health care professionals to help parents address this issue.
- **November 6:** Confronting racism: listening to Dylann Roof's Lutheran Pastor who said, 'We Need to Confront the Reality of Racism' after Charleston Church Massacre
- **November 13:** A visit to a nearby Mosque to meet our Muslim neighbors.
- **November 20:** Open discussion.
- **November 26:** The Tuesday before Thanksgiving, parents join students in worship. Students will lead the congregation in this worship service.
- **December 4, 11, 18:** Midweek Advent worship and supper together with students leading the congregational worship. Supper is at 6:00, worship at 7:00.
- **December 25:** Christmas worship with the family at 10:00 a.m.