

CONFIRMATION SERVICE DETAILS

How should I prepare for my Confirmation Service?

Students planning to get Confirmed in May should have met all Confirmation requirements (Attendance, Baptism, & Conversation; see “Confirmation Handbook” for more information).



Sunday, May 18, 2025

*see assigned service time

Who should I invite?

Invite anyone who has been part of your faith journey! This might include family members, baptismal sponsors, friends, and mentors.

What should I wear?

We no longer use Confirmation gowns in our services. Many students wear their “Sunday best.” For guys, it is common that a button up shirt and tie with dress slacks are worn. For girls, dresses or a blouse and dress slacks are also common. Overall – Wear something comfortable, appropriate, and honoring to the occasion.

Day of: How early should I arrive & where do I go?

We suggest arriving 20 minutes prior to your assigned service time. Students (and small group leaders) should check in to the table in the main hall before entering the Sanctuary. Students should sit with their family members. If desired, you may sit near your small group, but it is not required.

Everyone from your small group will be assigned the same service time.

What does a Confirmation Service look like at Hope?

Confirmation services are similar to regular church services with a few special additions. You can expect the service to run approximately one hour with worship and message. There will also be a time in the service where students come forward to receive the Rite of Confirmation and be anointed with oil. These familiar words will be said over the student as they come forward: “*You are a child of God. You have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in Heaven.*” After being anointed, students will gather with their small group around the Sanctuary for prayer.

Additional Notes

Photo booths will be available in the main halls of all campuses to capture the special occasion. Please note that there will **not** be a reception this year, but families are encouraged to celebrate together!

Questions? Email: youth@fargohope.org