

CONFIRMATION UPDATES & CONFIRMATION SUNDAY ON MAY 28

The five students of this year's Confirmation class, Andrew Arthur, Jackson Bergin, Addie Chandler, Elaina Perez, and Maile Thompson have been learning and serving since class began in September. On Pentecost Sunday morning, May 28, at 10:00, they will affirm the vows made for them by their parents when they were baptized and then join the church as adult members.

The classroom portion of the program has engaged them in learning about the Bible, the Trinity, and the Church. They have also put their faith into action with mission experiences serving at Daycholah Center, The Food Pantry, Family Promise, and our Dr. Seuss Breakfast. They walked the Stations of the Cross at Holy Hill and will be touring America's Black Holocaust Museum in Milwaukee. They have helped lead our monthly Family Service as well as provided nursery care on Sunday mornings.

After a program years' worth of classes, experiences, and worship service, during this last month they will be working on their personal Statements of Faith in preparation for presenting them during the Confirmation Sunday service. This is another great group of young adults and special thanks go to their parents for helping them attend events, classes, and activities as well as serving with them in the Nursery and during Sunday morning worship.



STRENGTHEN THE CHURCH OFFERING ON MAY 28

The Strengthen the Church offering furthers the work of the national UCC and our conferences as we work together to start new churches and renew existing congregations, fund leadership development, and provide exciting new programs for our youth. This year's theme is "Holy Ground". All of us are invited to reflect on ways that we have experienced a sense of being on, or walking on, holy ground. One of the examples the UCC is using this year in its national campaign is the Wisconsin Conference's experience working with the Ho-Chunk nation as it discerned a way to honor native peoples through our Outdoor Ministry program. They tell the story of how "Alliance for Justice", a justice initiative started from the Ho-Chunk UCC in Black River Falls with funding from the national UCC, facilitated a process of deep spiritual work. The multi-year process offered our United Church Camps the gift of a name: Daycholah Center - from the Ho-Chunk name for Green Lake.



We will be receiving the offering on Sunday, May 28. There will be Special Offering envelopes available. You can also donate directly to Strengthen the Church [online](#). Let's make a gift this year to encourage more folks to experience being on "holy ground".