

Greetings, Confirmation Families,

The season of Lent is nearly upon us, and the confirmation leadership team is happy to announce the return of the Lenten Mentor Program. This program is meant to give students an opportunity to talk faith with an adult in a safe, loving environment. Mentors can be any trusted, unrelated adult—a coach, member of St. Philip's, teacher, friend's parent—someone comfortable speaking to a young person about faith. If students have a special adult they'd like to ask—have them do so! If they need help finding someone to ask, please have them talk to their confirmation leader or Stephanie Becken for suggestions. All adult mentors need to have a current background check on file with St. Philip's (good for five years).

The program is part of the confirmation curriculum, so students need to make every effort to fulfill the requirements laid out in the Mentor Packet (to be handed out at Meet Your Mentor Meeting). It is up to the family and mentor to schedule and attend planned meet ups. Parents of confirmation students are encouraged to mentor someone other than their child.

#### **WHAT TO DO BEFORE LENT:**

- \*Read through this page and keep it. The second page is for the mentor to fill out.
- \*Students need to ask an unrelated adult to be their mentor.
- \*Contact Stephanie Becken and let her know who the student's mentor will be.
- \*Have mentor fill out the Mentor Information Sheet and turn into the church office.

(This can be turned in during the Mentor Meeting).

#### **MEET YOUR MENTOR MEETING:**

**February 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 (Ash Wednesday service at 7:00)**

**Students, parents, & mentors need to attend this short meeting to go over mentor/confirmand expectations, exchange contact information, and make plans for the best way to fulfill the mentor program requirements. You'll definitely have time to worship after.**

**Optional Mentor Coaching February 15<sup>th</sup> 7:00-8:00**

**This is an optional meeting time for mentors who have questions or would like some coaching on how to interact with their mentee. We'll go over the packet, have question and answer time, and work together so mentors feel comfortable with this fun, but sometimes intimidating ministry.**

This exciting ministry has been a long-standing tradition for St. Philip's and we're very happy to offer it once again. If you have any questions, concerns, or would like to be added to the mentor list, please contact Stephanie Becken 651-437-6541 or [stephanieb@splchastings.org](mailto:stephanieb@splchastings.org)

All the Best,

Confirmation Leadership Team

## Mentor Information Sheet

Thank you for mentoring! The following intake information is mandatory to be part of the program, since you will be working with a minor. More information will be made available during the February 14<sup>th</sup> Mentor Meeting at 6:30 at SPLC.

Mentor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Mentee Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I mentored last year and/or currently teach Sunday school or confirmation AND all of my information is exactly the same. (no need to fill out the background check info)

I mentored last year and have some updates to my information. I will list any changes to address, email, or phone number below. (no need to fill out the background check info)

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 I have not mentored nor taught in the children's or youth programs at SPLC recently (or ever). **(please fill out the background check information. All volunteers at St. Philip's who work with children, youth, or vulnerable adults need to have a recent background check on file—including your social security number. This can returned to Stephanie Becken on or before February 14th).**

### DISCLOSURE AND AUTHORIZATION FORM

#### Please Read Carefully Before Signing the Authorization

**DISCLOSURE** In considering you for employment (paid or volunteer) and, if you are employed (paid or volunteer), in considering you for subsequent promotion, assignment, reassignment, retention, or discipline, [St. Philip's Lutheran Church] ("the Company") may request and rely upon a background check. We currently use Shepherd's Watch—the parent company of 'Sterling Security'. All paperwork is shredded upon completion of check and checks are good for 5 years. Only the Director of Children, Youth, and Family ministry will have access to the background check information.

**AUTHORIZATION** I have read and understand the foregoing Disclosure, and authorize St. Philip's Lutheran Church to obtain and rely upon consumer reports, investigative consumer reports, and/or motor vehicle reports in considering me for employment (paid or volunteer) and, if I am employed (paid or as a volunteer), in considering me for subsequent promotion, assignment, reassignment, retention, or discipline. By my signature below, I authorize the Company to obtain any such reports and to share the information received with any person involved in the employment decision about me.

I also agree that this Disclosure and Authorization in original, faxed, photocopied, or electronic (including electronically signed) form will be valid for any background check/vehicle driving record check that may be requested about me by or on behalf of St. Philip's Lutheran Church.

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Printed Name

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Applicant Signature

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Date

**Personal Data**

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Last Name                                      First Name                                      Middle Name

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Best Phone #                                      Best email address

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Current Address                                      Duration

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Date of Birth                                      City of Birth

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Other Names Used (including maiden name) Years Used

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Social Security Number (This is needed for the background check—all paperwork is shredded)

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I certify that all elements of the personal data I have provided are true, accurate and complete. I understand and agree that any omission, false statement, misleading statement, or answer made by me on my application or any supplements to it and in any interviews will be sufficient grounds for rejection of employment and my discharge after employment.

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Printed Name

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Applicant Signature                                      Date