



Amari Daevel, Graham Garthus, Brooke Peiffer, Grady Karrels, and Ben Sanem providing a dramatic reading on Sunday morning, March 27.

CONFIRMATION CLASS - ACTIVE PROGRAM YEAR CONTINUES

It hardly seems possible that Confirmation Sunday is coming up so quickly next month on May 29th. The class has continued to gather on a monthly basis for classes (just finishing up a section on the Holy Spirit and prayer). This month they'll be changing gears just a bit in order to begin focusing on writing their personal "Statements of Faith" in preparation for confirming their baptism and joining the church.

The class has also continued to engage in monthly "Mission Experiences" like helping create "Birthday Kits" for the Saukville Community Food Pantry and touring the facility located at Parkside Community UCC in Saukville. They have participated in a "focus group" for Lighthouse Youth Ministry and will be traveling over to Holy Hill on April 9th to walk and pray the Stations of the Cross located on the scenic walk up to the church. The Confirmands and their families continue to provide nursery care each Sunday morning during the 10:00 worship and host Fellowship Hour on Family Sundays. Parents have been quick to volunteer as drivers and as helpers during the classes and other activities. It has been great!

Most of the congregation has probably noticed them most during their worship leadership on Family Sundays. They are a talented group and I have tried to use their gifts creatively by designing "dramatic readings" for them to offer during worship. I'm hoping that the readings have added an interesting element to the service for the kids and adults present as well as an additional emphasis for the Confirmands on the meaning of the text being used in worship when I "know" they have to be there.

We only have a couple of months left to the program year. I pray they have taken in enough to have had a meaningful experience and that they retain at least some of what we have discussed as they move into their High School years. I do hope that the addition of a regularly scheduled summer mission experience in the years to come will be additional incentive to stay connected with the congregation. Only time will tell!