

## Formation Resources for Confirmation and Reaffirmation

### Curricular Resources and Books

- *A People Called Episcopalians*, revised by John Westerhoff (Church Publishing, 2014)
- *Call on Me: A Prayer Book for Young People* by Jenifer Gamber & Sharon Ely Pearson (Morehouse, 2012)
- *Confirm not Conform* from St. John's Episcopal Church, Oakland, CA [www.confirmnotconform.com](http://www.confirmnotconform.com)
- *Faith Confirmed: Preparing for Confirmation* by Peter Jackson (SPCK, 2013/Forward Movement 2018)
- *Faith Rules: An Episcopal Handbook* by Ian Markham & Samantha Gottlich (Church Publishing, 2016)
- *I Will, With God's Help: Leader Guide, Adult Journal, Youth Journal* by Mary Lee Wile (Morehouse, 2000)
- *I Will, With God's Help: Mentor Guide* by Linda Nichols (Morehouse, 2010)
- *Living Water: Baptism as a Way of Life* by Klara Tammany (Church Publishing, 2000)
- *Marked for Mission: Youth in Action* by Bronwyn Skov & Sharon Ely Pearson (Morehouse, 2014)
- *My Faith, My Life*, revised ed. by Jenifer Gamber (Church Publishing, 2014)
- *The Episcopal Handbook*, revised ed. by Tobia Haller (Morehouse, 2015)
- *The Pilgrim Program: A Course for the Christian Journey* (Church Publishing, 2016) [www.pilgrimprogram.org](http://www.pilgrimprogram.org)
- *The Ultimate Quest: A Geek's Guide to (the Episcopal) Church* by Jordan Haynie Ware (Church Publishing, 2017)
- *Walk in Love: Episcopal Beliefs & Practices* by Scott Gunn & Melody Wilson Shobe (Forward Movement, 2018).

### Background for Leaders (print)

- *Almost Christian: What the Faith of our Teenagers ...* by Kenda Creasy Dean (2010)
- *Cultivating Teen Faith: Insights from the Confirmation Project* ed. by Richard Osmer & Katherine Douglas (2018)
- *Finding Your Religion: When the Faith You Grew Up With ...* by Scotty McLennan (2000)
- *Signed, Sealed, Delivered: Theologies of Confirmation for the 21st Century* by Sharon Ely Pearson (Morehouse, 2014)
- *Speaking Our Faith: Equipping the Next Generations ...* by Kit Carlson (Church Publishing, 2018)
- *The Godbearing Life: The Art of Soul Tending for Youth Ministry* by Kenda Creasy Dean & Ron Foster (1998)
- *Book of Occasional Services 2018* (Including "Preparation for Confirmation, Reception or other Reaffirmations of the Baptismal Covenant" p. 147-152) [https://episcopalchurch.org/files/lm\\_book\\_of\\_occasional\\_services\\_2018.pdf](https://episcopalchurch.org/files/lm_book_of_occasional_services_2018.pdf)

### Websites/Online Resources

- Baptized for Life <https://baptizedforlife.org>
- Episcopal Teacher: Confirmation Issue [https://vts.myschoolapp.com/ftpimages/95/download/download\\_2188575.pdf](https://vts.myschoolapp.com/ftpimages/95/download/download_2188575.pdf)
- Rows of Sharon [www.rowsofsharon.com](http://www.rowsofsharon.com)
- The Confirmation Project <https://theconfirmationproject.com>
- *Word & World: Theology for Christian Ministry Journal* (Confirmation issue) [https://wordandworld.luthersem.edu/issues.aspx?issue\\_id=151](https://wordandworld.luthersem.edu/issues.aspx?issue_id=151)

## Articles, Books, Websites that initially informed the Confirmation Collaborative

*Word & World: Theology for Christian Ministry journal on Confirmation* (Winter 2018, Luther Seminary)

[https://wordandworld.luthersem.edu/issues.aspx?issue\\_id=151](https://wordandworld.luthersem.edu/issues.aspx?issue_id=151)

- “Emerging Trends in Confirmation and Equivalent Practices” (p. 20-39)
- Vibrant Confirmation Ministry within “Encountering the Gospel Anew: Confirmation as Ecclesial, Person, and Missional Practices” chapter (p. 49-54)
- The Use of the Affirmation of Baptism in the Marking of Milestones in “Reimagining Confirmation Ministry as a Lifelong Process” chapter (p. 87-89)
- “Confirmation Basics: Purpose, Design, and Leadership” (p. 101-116)

*The Confirmation Project* website

<https://theconfirmationproject.com>

- All the Infographics: Key Findings, 4 Dimensions of Confirmation, and 9 Sub-themes <https://theconfirmationproject.com/infographics-key-findings-4-dimensions-confirmation-9-sub-themes/>
- Finding Space and Time Through Confirmation Retreats (use of camps) <https://theconfirmationproject.com/finding-space-and-time-through-confirmation-retreats/>
- All Four Presentations from “Confirmation: Contemporary Research and Innovative Practices” Course (this shows four videos) <https://theconfirmationproject.com/all-four-presentations/>
  - #1 - Rite of Passage
  - #3 – Mentor Relationships
  - #4 – Leadership (parts 1 & 2)

*Signed, Sealed, Delivered: Theologies of Confirmation for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century* (Morehouse, 2014)

<https://www.churchpublishing.org/signedsealeddelivered>

- “Reimagining Confirmation” by Ruth Meyers (p. 33-52)
- “A Rite in Search of a Reason for Being” by Lee Allison Crawford (p. 63-72)

*Episcopal Teacher* special issue on “Confirmation” (Winter 2017 issue)

- <https://www.episcopalteacher.org/category/confirmation/> (All articles are now posted online as separate posts—you can also listen to them being read!)
- Download the entire issue: [https://vts.myschoolapp.com/ftpimages/95/download/download\\_2188575.pdf](https://vts.myschoolapp.com/ftpimages/95/download/download_2188575.pdf)

Updates to the Confirmation Collaborative will be posted on:

- *Baptized for Life* <https://baptizedforlife.org>
- *Rows of Sharon* <https://www.rowsofsharon.com>