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# Confirmation - Programs, Options, Practice

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# Confirm not Conform

Deconstruct

Design

Construction

“The class needed to show, both in content and form, that we believed them capable of making their own faith choices. Our task was to expose them to ideas, religions, experiences and concepts, and let the Holy Spirit and their own engagement do the rest.”



# What's included

- **20 Sessions**  
Scripture, history, The Nicene Creed,  
The BCP, and more
- **Weekend Retreat Handbook**
- **Mentor Handbook**
- **iConfirm Service**

# Walking through the Table of Contents



## Cool Features

**Teach us to Pray** - offers a prayer lab, an opportunity for youth to explore different ways to pray.

**World Council of Religion-** broadens world view .and shows youth what it means to be people of faith all over the world.

**May we Present** - the youth present a service project to the church Vestry

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# Session one! A beginning.

You have a voice

You act from personal belief



## Tips Appreciated

As we explore this session in pairs, what stands out to you?

What approach seems new to you?

What could you see being a challenge?

# The Matrix - And The Power of Video





# Pros and Cons

## Pros

- Open the Box and GO!
- Curated Resources!
- Faith Exploration!
- Reason! Create! Serve! Lead!



# Pros and Cons

## Cons

- 20 Sessions...
- Being cool can be dated...
- Who is running this place...



# Hand Meditation

What are you holding?

What do you need?


Why are you thankful?

# My Faith, My Life

Best for churches with active youth program in place.

Student Centered Learning (not leader driven!)

Focuses on the 5 Marks of Mission

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- To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom
  - To teach, baptize and nurture new believers
  - To respond to human need by loving service
  - To seek to transform unjust structures of society
  - To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth



# What's included

- **6 or 10 Session Guide**  
Scripture, history, The Nicene Creed,  
The BCP, and more
- **Session Planning Guide**
- **Weekend Retreat**
- **Mentor Leader Guide**
- **Supplemental Materials**

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# Walking through the book



## Cool Features

**Interactive planning guides and checklists** - the opportunity to assess your program and design a curriculum that fits your needs

**Prayer Resources**- Anglican Prayer Beads, Labyrinths, Icons, and Station based prayers

**Instructed Eucharist** - and Making communion bread

**Games and Icebreakers**

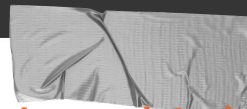
# — **Go!** Your Faith has made you well.

Chapter 4

Statement of Belief

Faith as Seeing and Responding

Putting your faith into practice



## **Tips Appreciated**

Family and Mentor  
Connection

Continuing Reflection

Imagine

Closing Prayer

# What do we BELIEVE? - And The Power of Music





# Pros and Cons

## Pros

- 6 or 10 session program!
- Books to take home!
- Student Centered Learning!
- Resources! Resources!  
Resources!



# Pros and Cons

## Cons

- Designing your own sessions
- Homework (love/hate)
- Longer sessions



# I Believe....

God...

That I need...

That I can give...

That I am thankful for...

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# Next Steps! Where to get more info!

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