



CONFIRMATION

What you need to know...



“

To each is given the manifestation of the spirit for the common good.

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– *1 Corinthians 12:7*



WHAT IS CONFIRMATION

- Learning
- Fellowship
- Affirmation of Baptism

WHAT **ISN'T** CONFIRMATION

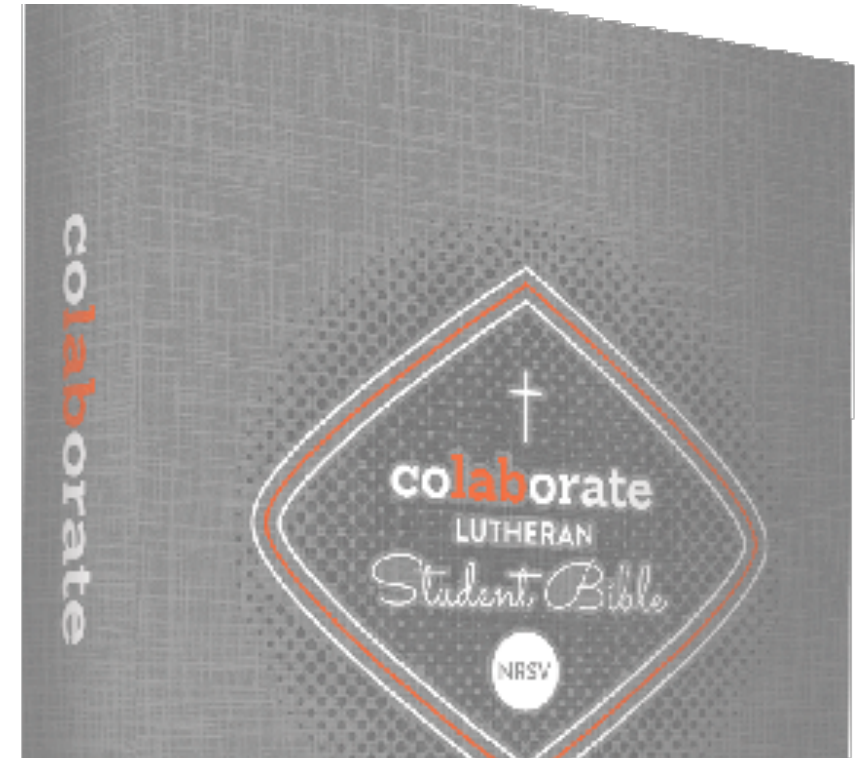
- Gatekeeping
- School
- Test

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 - **Reformation History**
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colaborate

Lutheran Confirmation



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PLANNING A SERVICE PROJECT

stepping out as a group

Love Your Neighbor

Last time we met together, we talked about how important it is to love and serve our neighbor. The gift of God's grace compels us to turn towards those around us and serve in whatever capacity we can. Over the next two class sessions, you will work in small groups to plan a service project. Then, sometime during the Lenten season, you will gather as a group and execute the project.

This may seem like an enormous task set before you, but you'll find resources in the following pages to help you and your group do the project. Please have fun with this, and get creative!

Service to our neighbor is an important part of the Christian faith. Hopefully, we're turning to those around us in love and gratitude because God has first loved us. Authentic service is not done out of a sense of mandate or guilt; rather, authentic service is done out of compassion and gratitude. As you and your group consider potential projects, please choose an issue or organization that really means something to you. The whole idea behind letting you plan it yourself is that you will be able to help people in ways that will make a difference in your life as well as others.

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JEWISH VISIT

March 24, 2017

3104 Windsor Road
Champaign, IL 61822

In your opinion, what is the biggest difference between Lutheran Church of Mahomet and the Temple?

What made you uncomfortable?
Why do you think you felt that way?

What did you admire about this faith community? What does this teach us about these people?

What else did you observe?

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extrapolating meaning

When [Jesus] was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. (Luke 24:30-31)

Now, we've got to dig a bit deeper. If you knew nothing of God prior to today's worship service, what does this meal say about God? Did you experience love and forgiveness in the Meal? Challenge? Call to serve? Etc. Use the following questions to guide your conversation.

Why is the offering a part of the meal?

What do you remember the pastor saying or doing with the elements (bread/wine)?

Who is welcome to Communion? Why?

What does the Lord's Prayer say about God? About us?

Why do we sing "Lamb of God" every time we have Communion? What do the words tell us about Jesus?

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COMPANIONS

- Who is my companion?
- Sacraments
 - Holy Communion
 - Holy Baptism
- Worship Looks
- Ecumenical Visits
- Prayer and Fellowship

NUTS AND BOLTS

Two-Year Program

- 26 units this year
- 53 units total
- Meets during Advent
- Meets during Lent
- Participates in all activities

Three-Year Program

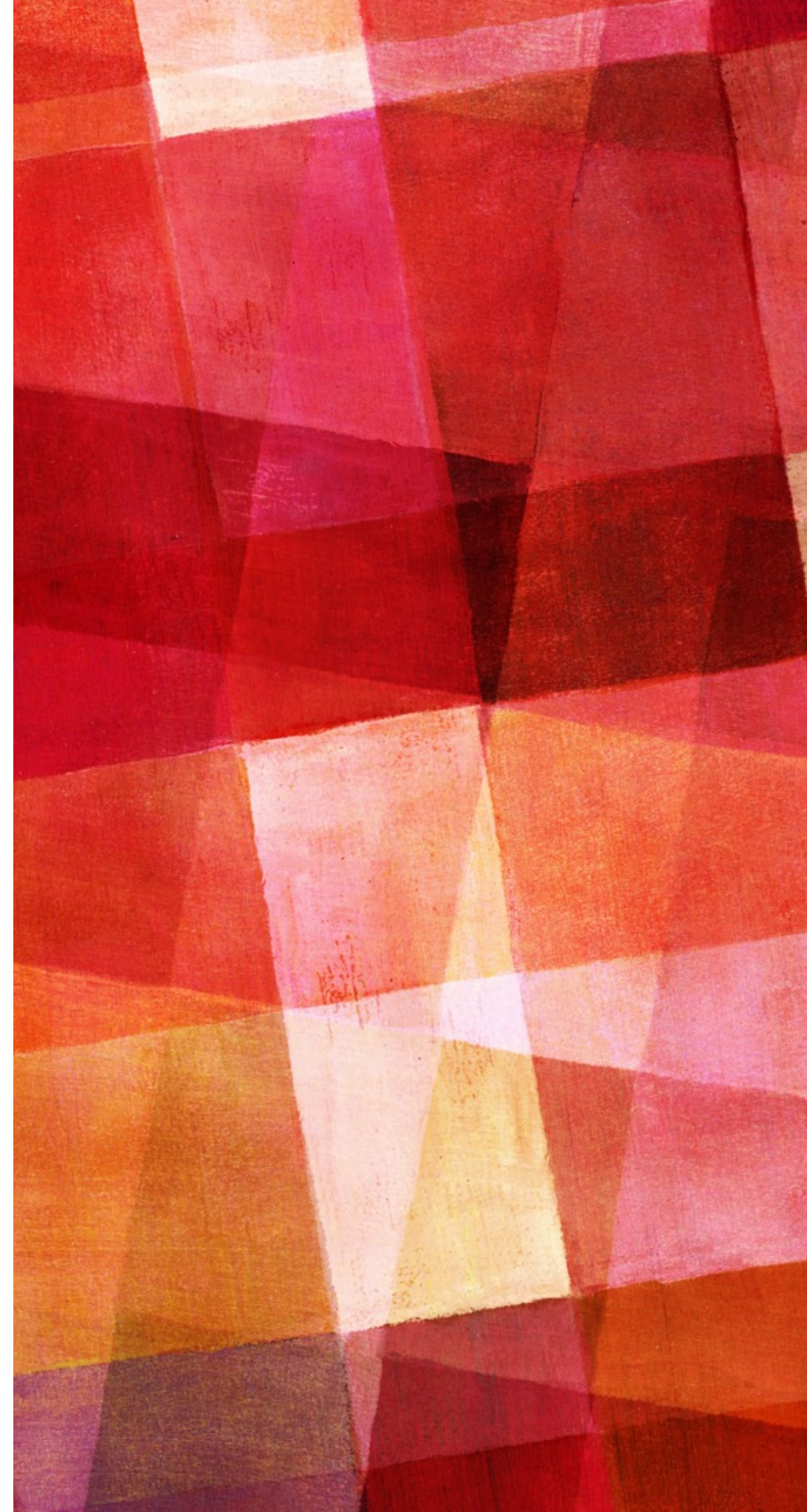
- 17 units this year
- 53 units total
- Does **NOT** meet during Advent
- Does **NOT** meet during Lent
- Participates in all activities

- Class meets on Wednesdays from 6-7:30pm
 - 6-6:30 will be dinner and sharing (optional)
 - 6:30-7 will be subject overview
 - 7-7:30 will be subject discussion and conclusion

- Class sometimes meets on Sundays after worship
 - Worship Looks
 - Planning the Confirmation Service
 - Ecumenical Discussions

MISCELLANY

- **Absences:** Each student is allowed two absences per semester. If someone needs to miss more, s/he will be asked to complete a unit at home.
- **Memorization:** Not applicable.
- **Homework:** No homework will be required, apart from work on Faith Statements and the Service Project.
- **Materials:** All are provided by the church.





FEES

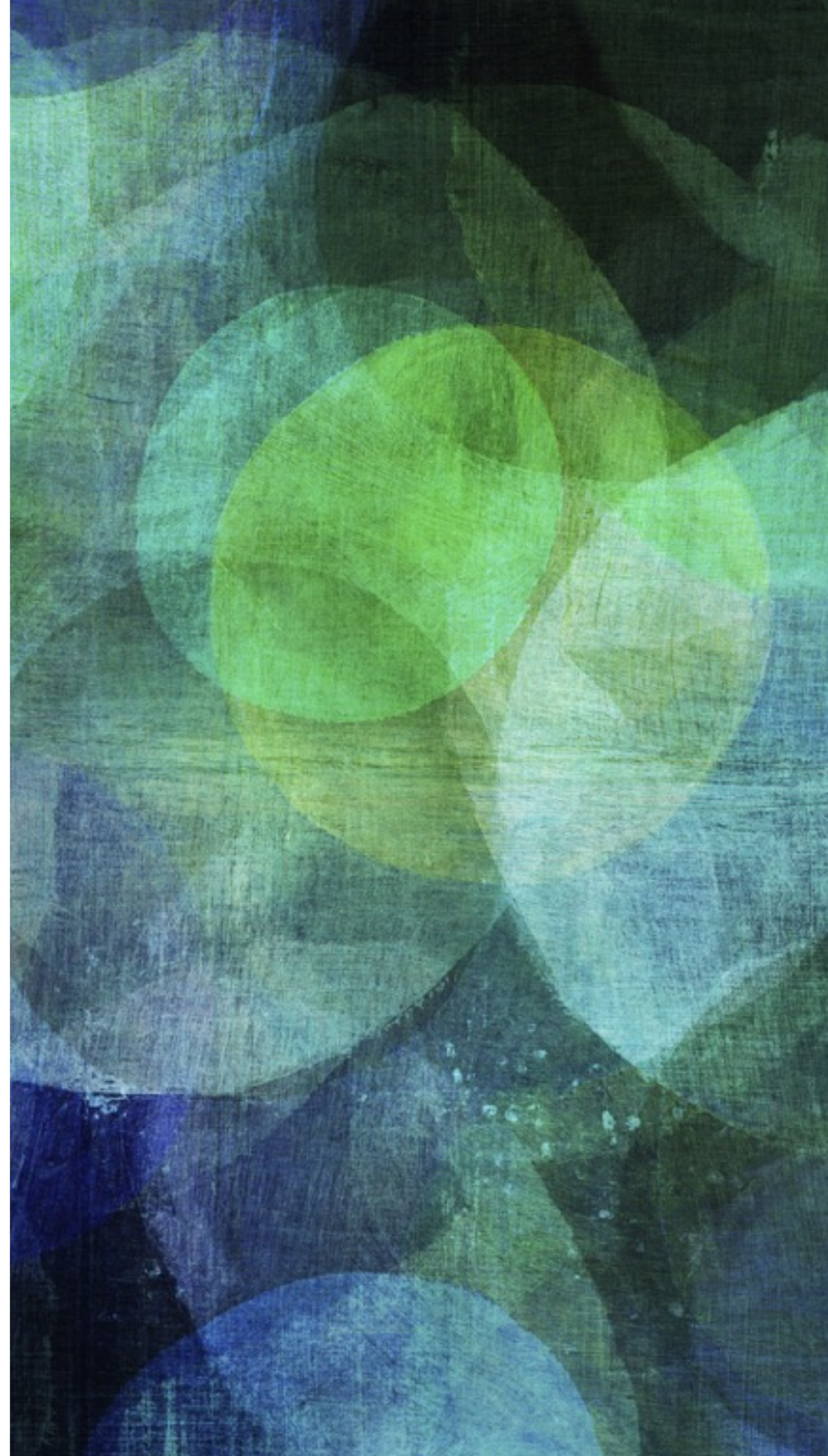
- The cost of confirmation is about \$50 per student.
 - ANYONE is welcome to donate to the youth fund to help offset this cost. Please write “Confirmation” in the subject line to accomplish this.
 - Non-Members are asked to pay \$32 for curriculum materials, unless we’ve discussed otherwise.
- \$50 will cover a student’s meals for an entire year, which comes out roughly to \$2.17 per meal, if not better.
- **DO NOT LET MONEY BE A BURDEN!** We’ve plenty of resources to make sure all can participate equally, so please talk with Pr Nikoli if these fees are a challenge.



ANY QUESTIONS?

ACOLYTING

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Here's how we do it...

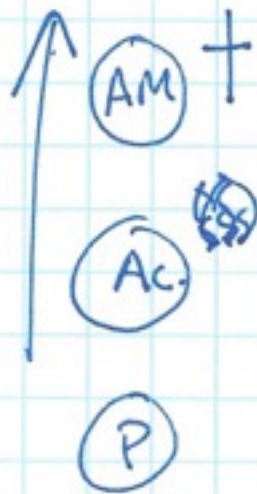
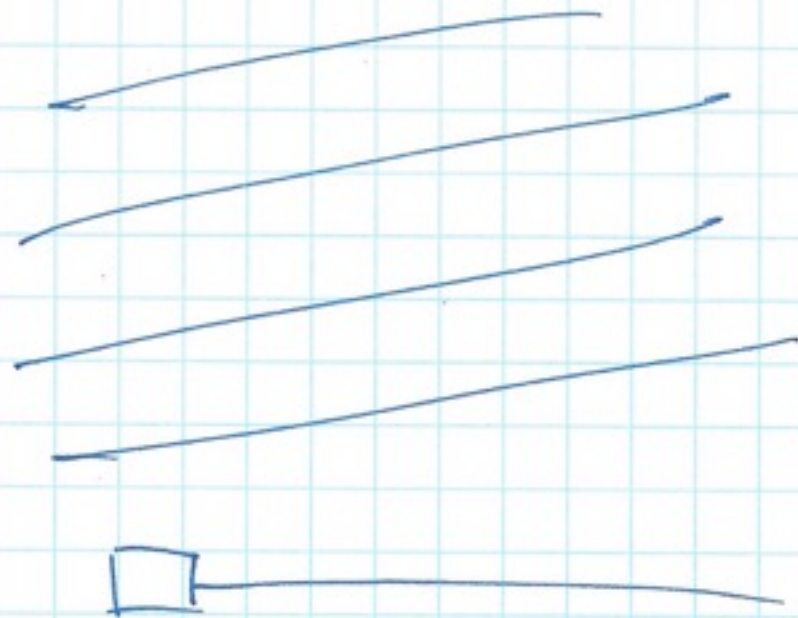
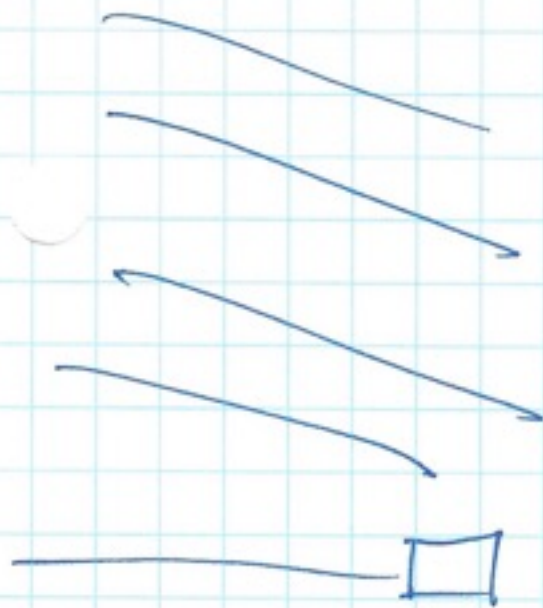


ACOLYTING DUTIES

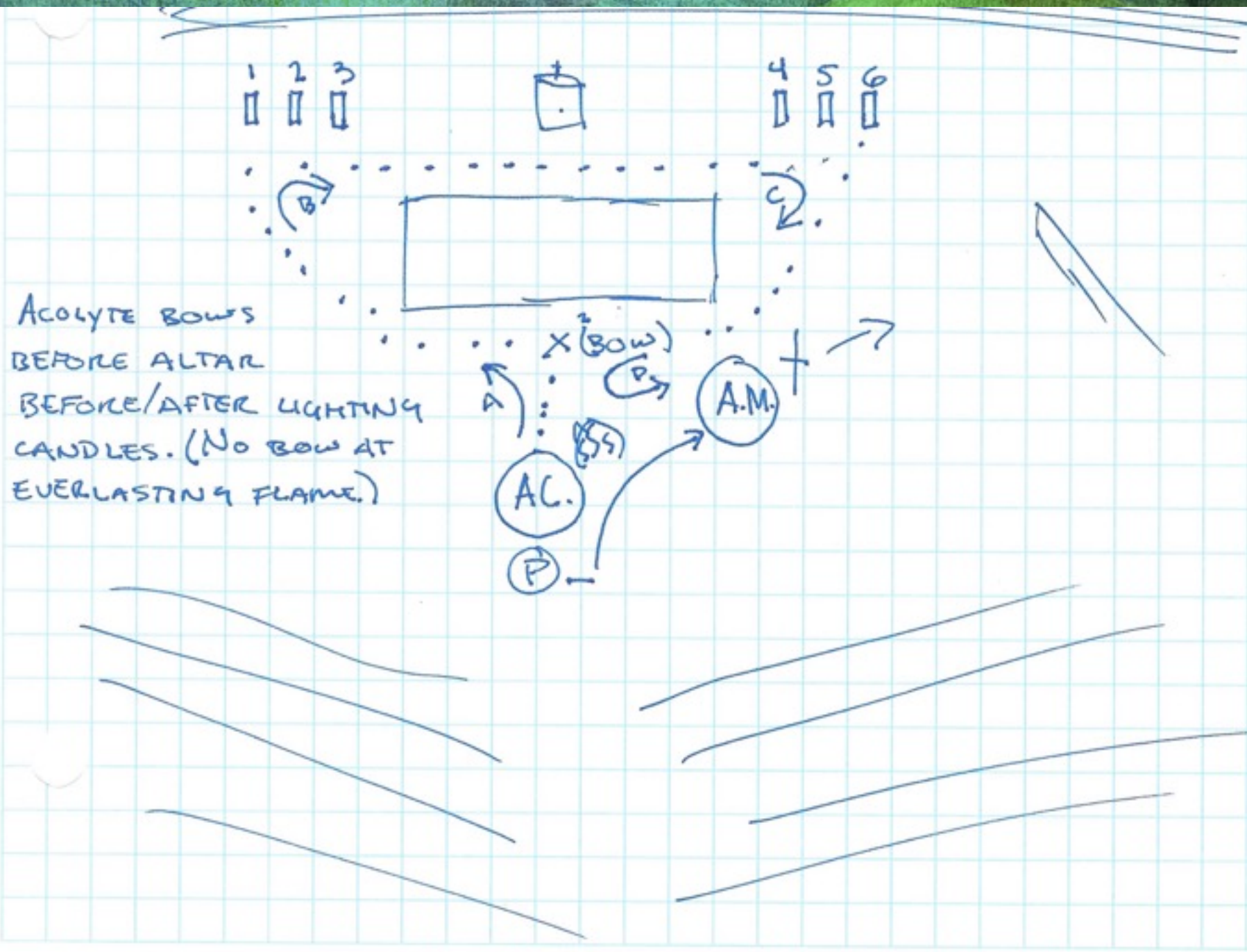
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- Communion
- Recessional

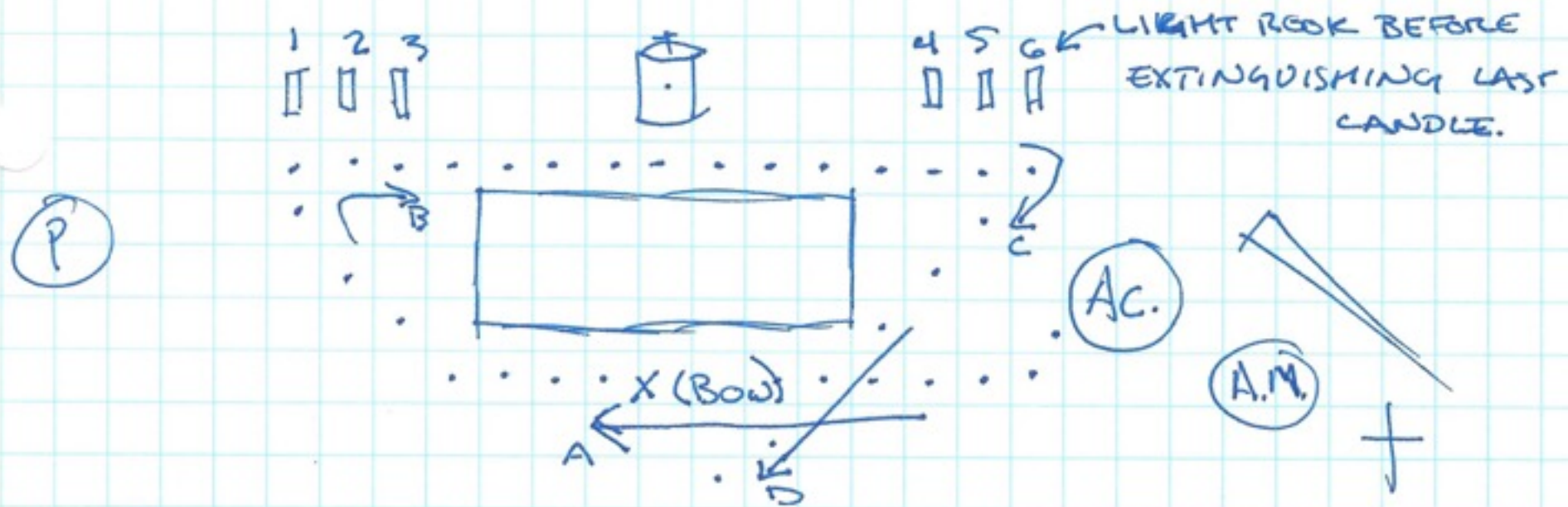
- **Baptism**
- **Gospel**





PROCESSION BEGINS AS SOON AS THE CONGREGATION STARTS SINGING, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED. THE A.M. SETS THE PACE.





ACOLYTE BOWS BEFORE ALTAR BEFORE/AFTER
 EXTINGUISHING CANDLES. (NO BOW AT EVERLASTING FLAME.)
 ACOLYTE FOLLOWS A.M. OUT OF SANCTUARY. A.M.
 SETS THE PACE.

NOTE: ACOLYTE MOVES AS SOON AS SINGING BEGINS.

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What if I don't want
to acolyte?

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