

## Sample/Draft Faith Statement Outline

### God's "Yes" and My "Yes" - Confirming My Faith

#### *Pray about what God wants you to say your Faith Statement*

- Your talk should be 5 - 7 minutes in length.
- Prayerfully consider ways to incorporate your chosen Confirmation Bible verse into your Faith Statement.

#### **1. Introduction**

- a. Introduce yourself by sharing your name and school, and anything else about you that you think would be helpful.
- b. Begin with a short prayer thanking God for this opportunity to share your faith and asking God for the ability to speak from your heart.

#### **2. What do you believe about our Triune God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit?**

- a. Share what it is that you believe about God the Father, Jesus and the Holy Spirit.
- b. Share your understanding that God first said "yes" to you - claiming you in baptism and connecting you to Jesus' death and resurrection.
- c. Share why you choose to say "yes" to our Triune God.

#### **3. How has faith in Jesus Christ impacted your daily life?**

- a. Explain how/why a living and active faith in Jesus Christ has been, and is, important to you.
- b. How has your relationship with Jesus impacted your relationships with friends and family?
- c. How has the presence of God made a difference in your life at school, church, work or family?

#### **4. How has faith in Jesus carried you through the hard times in your life?**

- a. Share how your faith in Christ has helped to keep you strong when the storms and temptations have confronted you?
- b. Share examples/stories of how God has been with you through the ups and downs. Share when and how you experience the presence of God and how that made a difference in your life.
- c. Share how God's word, Christian friends, prayer, and significant people in your life have helped you grow in faith and hold on to Jesus through tough times in your life.
- d. Incorporate 2 or 3 Bible verses that have especially been helpful for you on your faith journey – in the good times and the bad.

#### **5. Share how you intend to fulfill the Confirmation Promises. In what ways will you seek to:**

- a. continue in the covenant God made with me in baptism, to stay close to your Christian friends at this church, and to remain in God's family.
- b. be present in worship to hear God's Word and share the Lord's Supper.
- c. bear Christ's light and spread God's love through your words and actions.
- d. serve all people, following the example of the One who laid down his life for you.
- e. work for peace and justice in my home, in my school, and in my world.

#### **6. Share your Confirmation Bible verse and explain why you have chosen it.**

- a. Share why is this verse important to you.
- b. In what ways does it encourage you, give you comfort, strength or motivation to live for Jesus.

#### **7. Share Your Expression of Faith and explain how it summarizes your faith statement.**

#### **8. Close with a prayer.**

- a. Thank God for the gift of faith and for the ability to say "yes" to God.