



January 2023

Dear Lenten Mentor,

Thank you for your willingness to be a Lenten Mentor! Lenten Mentoring is a special part of our Confirmation Ministry; providing students with the opportunity to learn and grow in their faith through conversations and activities with an adult mentor from the congregation. Together mentors and mentees will share and learn from one another about what it means to have your faith shape and guide you in the world today.

Every week students (mentees) and mentors will meet at 5:50 pm in the Fellowship Hall for an introduction to the topic for the evening. After the introduction pairs will be free to go talk more about the topic in a location of their choosing until 7:00 pm. This year's dates for Lenten Mentoring are:

- February 22 (Ash Wednesday) - our kickoff
- March 1
- March 8
- March 15
- March 22
- March 29

We will use the six weeks of Lenten Mentoring to dig deeper into the congregational theme, *Imagine the Power Within*. Our weekly conversations will help us imagine and explore *the power within* us to make a difference in our lives and in the world.

If you are new to mentoring we ask you to attend our orientation session on Wednesday, February 15 at 7:00 pm. If you are a returning mentor you are encouraged to join the orientation session, as it is always helpful to have all the mentors together to learn from each other.

You and your student should exchange contact information (phone numbers & emails) and determine which one of you will complete the online [2023 Lenten Mentor & Student Pairing Information](#) form. This form can be found at [Augustana.com](http://Augustana.com), select FORMS & NEWSLETTER from the upper menu bar. It is very important the form is submitted on or before Tuesday, February 14, so we know the pairing has been finalized.

If you are meeting your mentee for the first time on February 22, please arrive by 5:40 pm so we connect you to your student. Everyone is asked to be seated with their mentee in the Fellowship Hall by 5:50 pm for the introduction. Please contact Abby Norlin-Weaver if you have any questions.

Thank you for caring about the youth in our faith community and being an important adult on their faith journey. We look forward to seeing you at our orientation session and the first night of programming.

Please contact Abby Norlin-Weaver, [anorlinweaver@augustana.com](mailto:anorlinweaver@augustana.com), if you have any questions.

Blessings,

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