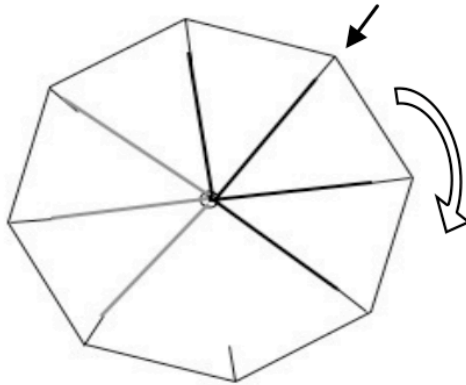


The Weaving Wheel



The weaving wheel works by combining seven strands. These seven represent the gifts of the Holy Spirit: wisdom, understanding, right judgment, knowledge, courage, reverence, and wonder and awe in God's presence.

To weave a bracelet:

1. Move the third strand (marked with the black arrow above) from its space to the empty space at the bottom.
2. Turn the entire wheel clockwise (the direction of the white arrow) so that the new empty space is at the bottom.

Repeat steps 1 and 2.

Every so often, pull your bracelet through the hole, and untangle the loose ends of wool at the back of the wheel.

Notice how much stronger your bracelet is than any thread by itself.

At Confirmation, the gifts of the Holy Spirit are woven with the gifts we already have to make us stronger!

The bracelet also shows us that we are stronger together, and reminds us that, just like each thread in the bracelet, we have a responsibility to make each other stronger.

