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Trinity Worship Servant Roles

Altar Guild prepares the sanctuary for worship. Generally, teams of two serve for a month at a time, coming in for a short period on Saturdays and then Sunday mornings to prepare the linens, communion ware, candles, flowers, etc. for worship.

Acolytes serve by lighting the altar candles, carrying the cross into and out of worship (at the 8:30 service) and receiving the offering plates from ushers and placing them on the bottom shelf of the credence table.

Assisting Ministers serve at both Sunday services leading the Prayers of intercession, the Post-Communion Prayer and the Sending. Assisting Ministers also play a role in baptisms.

Communion Assistants serve in communion distribution, generally offering the wine.

Readers generally read the first and second lessons. The Readings are mailed out to the Readers in advance.

Media Technicians operate the sound board and the projector system for worship services, located at the back of the worship space. For outdoor services, a portable sound board is used.

Ushers greet worshippers at the sanctuary doors and distribute bulletins and weekly newsletters. Ushers participate in the worship service by collecting and presenting the offering, and directing worshippers to communion. They also participate in passing out visitor bread.

Worship Aides are like a stage manager for the worship service. Worship Aides verify that all the worship servant positions are filled and pass along special or last-minute instructions from the pastors. Worship Aides also pass out the visitor bread and take the attendance count for the worship.

Bread Bakers make or purchase 6 loaves of bread to be distributed to visitors at the Sunday services. They provide the bread once or twice a year.

Greeters arrive 20 minutes before worship to greet those arriving for worship and to direct first time guests to the Welcome Center in the Gathering Space and Sunday School.

Welcome Center Hosts stand behind the Welcome Center table in the Gathering Space where they greet guests and provide general information.

Fellowship Hosts bring and set out light snacks and juice following the Sunday services. They clean up the coffee area when the fellowship time is done and after the late service, unplug, empty and rinse the coffee urns.

Connection Launchers circulate -- like a host would -- during the Fellowship time, looking for those who appear to be a bit lost and without someone to talk to. They actively greet such people, introduce them to someone else, then move on after the conversation gets going to greet another person.

Worship Team members meet with the pastors to plan for weekly worship. They advise and make decisions regarding music, style and elements of the worship service which they regularly attend. There is opportunity to help develop themes for particular days and also to assist in multi-media preparation.