

St. Andrew's Anglican Church

Acolyte – Ministry Description

Position Assessment Risk: Low

Terms of Office: 1 year, renewable

Supervision & Support: Reports to: Lay Co-ordinator (Server Instructor)
Priest

Purpose: The Acolyte assists the Priest and Choir by carrying cross and candles during the procession and recession.

Population(s) served: The Priest
Choir

Skills & Qualifications:

- be mature enough to follow the Service and know when assistance is required
- usually young people over the age of 5 years
- ability to take direction

Spiritual Gifts Recommended:

- service

Training Provided:

- a one-hour training session is necessary
- on-the-job training as directed by the Coordinator
- regular monthly training sessions

Meeting Date & Time:

- monthly training sessions
- worship, as scheduled

Time Commitment Involved:

- two hours for the 10:30 a.m. Sunday worship as scheduled
- can still attend Sunday School

Description of Duties / Responsibilities:

- arrives 15 minutes before the worship begins
- puts on vestments, takes cross or candle from sanctuary
- carries the cross or candles during the processional and recessional
- after worship
 - places cross or candle back in sanctuary
 - takes off vestments and hangs them up properly
- contact Dawn Snow or Kim Wadden if unable to attend scheduled worship

Limits of the Position:

- as laid out by the Instructor

Benefits & Opportunities:

- learn the traditions of the Anglican Church
- play an important role in the Service
- still able to attend Sunday School classes

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