

ACOLYTE SUPPORT TEAM

OVERVIEW

The Acolyte Support Team supports the church's mission to "receive, live, and share the abundant life of Jesus Christ" by overseeing the acolyte program with the Acolyte Coordinator and ensuring enthusiastic engagement in this key ministry.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Together with Acolyte Coordinator and clergy liaison for worship, divide up key responsibilities, which include:

- Work with worship and youth ministry teams to share details of acolyte ministry with youth in grades 6-12. Reach out to youth individually to invite into the acolyte ministry.
- Create interest, curiosity, and excitement for opportunities to serve as an acolyte via church communication channels: newsletters, bulletins, website, social media, and in-person during service.
- Provide training for new acolytes, and train returning acolytes in higher levels of serving.
- Provide regular communication to parents and youth about schedules, training, and changes in the program.
- Create and distribute schedules for acolytes in a timely manner.
- Communicate regularly with the clergy regarding the acolyte program.
- Ensure acolytes serve in a fashion that enhances the worship of the church.
- Find substitutes, when necessary, for those who are not able to serve on their scheduled days.
- Keep acolyte robes clean and in good repair; order new as needed.

RELATIONSHIPS

This team works with the Acolyte Coordinator, clergy liaison for worship, youth ministry team, youth, parents, and other staff as needed to coordinate and communicate acolyte activity.

TIME COMMITMENT

Approximately 2-3 hours per month

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Discernment; appreciation for and interest in worship and liturgy; coaching; interest in developing youth leaders; encouragement; patience; love for youth

RESOURCES AND TRAINING

Reports to Acolyte Coordinator for support, input, and resources

Curious? Interested in this ministry?

Contact church member Edward Playfair at edwardplayfair@yahoo.com or 615-891-0377.