

**Beloved Community of  
Episcopal Church of the Intercession  
and Redeemer Lutheran  
Prayer Leader  
10:00 a.m.**

**Thank you** for volunteering to be a Prayer Leader for our Worship Services. Listed below are the responsibilities for this position.

**Recommendations:**

Remember to speak loudly and slowly. We have a tendency to talk too softly and quickly when we are nervous.

- You are expected to arrive 20 minutes before worship. Use the prayers provided unless you have talked with the Pastor, at least a day ahead of time, and you have been trained to write the prayers. Make sure the Creed and the Prayers are on the lectern for you.
- During the worship service, please go to the lectern at the end of the Growing Song. It is your responsibility to lead the Creed and the prayers. The creed may or may not be sung. If it is sung merely read the introduction in the bulletin.
- If there is a Baptism you may be asked to assist.
- **Prayer Leaders may also be Communion Servers. \*\*If you are also a Communion Assistant, that will be so noted on the Monthly Schedule and also on the Worship Ministers' list in the bulletin.\*\***

1. The Communion Assistants should come to the altar after the peace and join the Pastor during the Communion Prayer.

2. During the Communion Prayer, the pastor will have you assist at the table. You will either assist handing the pastor items from the side table or receiving the bread and the wine and/or the Offering from the ushers.

3. As a Communion Assistant, you will distribute the wine, and at times, the bread.

4. If you are asked to distribute the bread, please say "This is the body of Christ, given for you." If you are distributing the wine, please say "This is the blood of Christ, shed for you."

5. If you are distributing the bread, please bless the children who are not communing. An example would be, "May the Lord bless and keep you."

6. The musician(s) will receive communion first, followed by the rest of the congregation. The Pastor and Communion Assistants will receive last, at the altar. Ushers will dismiss the congregation by rows to a single line for communion.

If you are unable to attend the service for which you are scheduled, please contact the office. Patricia will find a replacement for you.

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