

How many Lutherans does it take to lead a worship service?

All of them...EveryOne!

Greeters: Greeters arrive early, smile and greet worshippers as they arrive on a Sunday morning. Needed: A friendly smile and a warm spirit.

Coffee Hosts: Hosts at the coffee hour following each worship are asked to prepare (before church) and serve coffee (usually in the Fellowship Hall). If they would like to bring and share cookies, that's great. However, it is not expected. Hosts linger to clean up.

Ushers: Ushers distribute bulletins before service, receive the offering (recruit if needed more ushers), guide people during communion (if needed), take the offering to the safe following the service, collect and leave the yellow slips in the church office. Training available.

Holy Communion Preparers: Holy Communion prep is handled by those who come early, prepare the wafers, bread, wine, juice, cup/glasses for the Sunday morning services. There is a manual downstairs in the sacristy. Training available.

Holy Communion Cleaner Uppers: Holy Communion is cleaned up after the morning services. Chalices, patens, trays, glasses, linens, paraments, pitchers, etc. are returned to the sacristy and cleaned as needed. Training available.

Holy Communion Servers: Servers assist the pastors during distribution. Sometimes they offer juice/wine in chalices as worshippers dip their wafers, sometimes they collect the empty small cups in baskets. Wine/juice servers share the words "The blood of Christ, shed for you" with each participant.

Readers: Readers should rehearse their assigned readings. Previews of the texts are available in the office. Readers come early, find the "scripts" in the church office and read the scriptures from the altar during the service.

Acolytes: Trained young people should arrive early to put on their acolyte robes in the sacristy and check with Pastor 10 minutes before worship. Acolytes light candles, help distribute children's resources, help with Holy Communion and extinguish the candles at the end.