

How To Acolyte

9 AM

st. martin's
youth
AUSTIN, TEXAS

BEFORE WORSHIP

- get a bulletin so you can follow along
- put one of the blue crosses on the back of the door

DURING FIRST SONG

- light candle lighter in hallway
- light altar candles (bow before you go up the steps)
- light table candles and pulpit candles
- blow out candle lighter and hang it up

DURING SERMON

- sit in the front pews so you can hear better

AFTER OFFERING

- get an alms basin from the altar and take the offering plates from the ushers at the rail
- put offering on altar (bow before you go up the steps)

COMMUNION

- take communion at the rail (dip or sip from the cup, your choice)
- serve wine with cup or chalice, saying "The blood of Christ, shed for you" when each person comes up. (Chalice must be wiped after each person drinks.)

DURING LAST SONG

- get candle lighter from back to put out candles
- extinguish altar candles (bow before you go up the steps)
- extinguish table candles and pulpit candles
- hang up candle lighter

AFTER WORSHIP

- move blue cross back to the front of the door
- recycle your bulletin

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- robe up in the vestry (tie rope on the left side)

DURING FIRST HYMN

- light candle lighter in hallway
- if there are two acolytes, walk out to the altar at the same time
- light altar candles (bow before you go up the steps)
- light table candles and pulpit candles
- blow out candle lighter and hang it up

AFTER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- get offering plates and meet the ushers at the rail
- ushers take two plates apiece

AFTER OFFERING

- get an alms basin from the altar and take the offering plates from the ushers at the rail
- put offering on altar (bow before you go up the steps)

COMMUNION

- take communion at the rail (dip or sip from the cup, your choice)
- during communion, stand at the altar table to fill chalices as needed

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