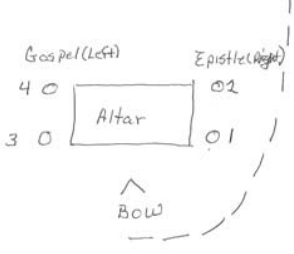
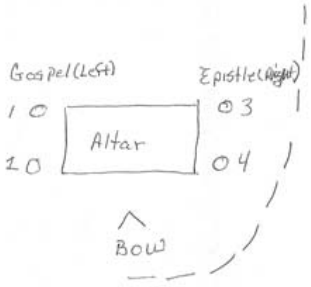


## Acolyte Duties in Sequence

<p>1. Vest</p>	<p>Be vested 15 minutes before the service and report to the vergers for assignment of duties.</p>
<p>2. Light all altar and torch candles</p> 	<p>Epistle Torchbearer – lights candles 10 minutes before the service</p>
<p>3. Procession</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Crucifer – carries the main cross for the processional</li> <li>➤ Epistle Torchbearer – carries the torch in procession (Right)</li> <li>➤ Gospel Torchbearer – carries the torch in procession (Left)</li> </ul>
<p>4. Gospel Reading – process to the electrical door in the floor on the right side of the church</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Crucifer – carries the main cross for the processional</li> <li>➤ Epistle Torchbearer – carries the torch in procession (Right)</li> <li>➤ Gospel Torchbearer – carries the torch in procession (Left)</li> </ul>
<p>5. Assists with communion preparations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Gospel Torchbearer – receiving the elements (bread and wine). Stand at the opening of the altar rails and receive the elements from the ushers. They take the elements to the right side of the altar and place them on the back corner.</li> <li>➤ Crucifer – the ablutions of the celebrant. From the credence table take the cruet of water in your right hand with the handle facing away from you, the lavabo bowl in your left hand and the lavabo towel over your left wrist to the altar. Hand the</li> </ul>

	<p>water cruet, handle first to the celebrant. The celebrant will hand the cruet back to you handle first. If the celebrant isn't preparing the altar then go to the celebrant. The celebrant will place the fingers of both hands over the lavabo. You will pour a small amount of water over the fingers and the turn so that the celebrant can dry his/her fingers. Return the lavabo, lavabo bowl and water cruet to the credence table.</p>
<p>6. Offertory -</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Epistle Torchbearer – takes the plates at offertory. Stand at the opening of the altar rails and receive the plates from the ushers. Pass the plates over the front of the altar to the celebrant (or if you can't reach over go to the right side of the altar and hand the plates to the celebrant.) The celebrant will hand the plates back to you and you place them on the shelf under the credence table.</li> </ul>
<p>7. Extinguish the altar candles</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Epistle Torchbearer – takes the plates at offertory and puts out the candles at the end of the service</li> </ul>
<p>8. Procession</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Crucifer – carries the main cross for the processional</li> <li>➤ Epistle Torchbearer – carries the torch in procession (Right)</li> <li>➤ Gospel Torchbearer – carries the torch in procession (Left)</li> </ul>
<p>9. After the service</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Replace the cross and touches</li> </ul>

## **Acolyte Duties by Assignment**

1. Crucifer – carries the main cross for the processional, the gospel reading and for the recessional. Assists with communion preparations doing the ablutions of the celebrant. From the credence table take the cruet of water in your right hand with the handle facing away from you, the lavabo bowl in your left hand and the lavabo towel over your left wrist to the altar. Hand the water cruet, handle first to the celebrant. The celebrant will hand the cruet back to you handle first. The celebrant will place the fingers of both hands over the lavabo. You will pour a small amount of water over the fingers and then turn so that the celebrant can dry his/her fingers. Return the lavabo, lavabo bowl and water cruet to the credence table.
2. Epistle Torchbearer – lights candles 10 minutes before the service, carries the torch in procession, takes the plates at offertory and puts out the candles at the end of the service.
3. Gospel Torchbearer – carries the torch in procession. Assist with communion by receiving the elements (bread and wine) at the offertory. At the beginning of the offertory stand at the entrance of the sanctuary and receive the elements. Take the elements to the vergers on the epistle side of the altar.