

# Cross Training 2016/2017

## Faithful Servant Opportunities!

*All Cross Training students will be required to be involved in the Faithful Servant Program. Students will choose their positions and will be asked to serve three times each year prior to Confirmation.*

**LECTORS (Bible Readers):** These folks read the scripture during the worship service. The reading will be given to you ahead of time so you may read over the passage and practice. You will need to arrive at least 15 minutes before your scheduled service time. The Worship Coordinator will answer any questions that you may have and show you how to use the microphone.

**USHERS:** The ushers arrive 30 minutes before their scheduled service time. They hand out the announcements as guests arrive and help people find seats. They also may light candles, count the congregation during the sermon, collect prayers slips, pass the offering baskets, and if Communion is offered, the ushers guide the guests when it is their time to commune. This may seem like a lot to do but we have at least 2 ushers at every service and our greeters will assist the ushers as needed. A detailed checklist is provided when you arrive. The Worship Coordinator will be there to answer any questions that you may have and guide you through the required tasks.

**GREETERS/OFFERING HELPERS:** This faithful servant arrives 30 minutes before their scheduled service time and greets guests as they arrive. If you can shake hands, smile and make guests feel welcome, this is the position for you. The Greeters also help pass the Offering baskets during worship if needed. You will need to check with the Worship Coordinator when you arrive to find out if you will be assisting the ushers during the Offering or ushering guests during Communion.

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:** These faithful servants assist the Pastor administer the bread and wine during Holy Communion. *To serve in this position, you must have received your First Communion.* You will need to arrive at least 15 minutes before your scheduled service time. The Worship Coordinator will guide you on what to say and where to stand.

**HOSPITALITY TEAM (Youth Kitchen Assistant):** This student will arrive 20 minutes prior to his or her scheduled service time. The duties for this position are to help the Hospitality Coordinator set up the treats and beverages on Sunday mornings. You can bring a treat to share when you are scheduled and you will be able to sit with your family during worship. Then after the service you will help keep the treats, beverages, napkins, and cups stocked for the congregation as they enter the Gathering Area. Some clean up is involved. A checklist will be provided in the kitchen when you first arrive and the Hospitality Coordinator will be there to guide you.

**TRAINING:** Most of these positions can be learned while serving and we will be there to answer your questions. Before you serve in a chosen area, you will receive a job description that may give more details for your position. *Sixth and Seventh grade students are to be accompanied with a parent.*

**SCHEDULING:** There are three ways to schedule your Faithful Servants opportunities; 1. You can send us an email to request a particular position, day, and worship service. 2. You may speak directly to Sandra Theros on Wednesday evenings during Confirmation class time at church. 3. Parents will receive an **EMAIL INVITATION TO SERVE** which will go to the email address given at the time of the student's Cross Training registration.

**Got questions?** See Sandra Theros. [rlcfaithfultservants@gmail.com](mailto:rlcfaithfultservants@gmail.com) or (763) 295-2740.