

GUIDELINES FOR SERVING TRADITIONAL COMMUNION

Thank you for agreeing to serve communion. Your worshipful service is a blessing to you and to our church. We serve traditional communion at the 11 a.m. service in even-numbered months, alternating with communion by intinction.

Traditional communion servers will also act as ushers on their assigned Sundays. They need to be in the narthex by 10:40 to assist with distributing bulletins, etc. Any choir members who are serving communion will not be asked to serve as ushers due to their other responsibilities.

During the communion hymn, the servers will gather at the rear of the sanctuary. After the pastor has broken the bread, he will call the servers forward to receive the trays. Server #1, the liturgist, will serve the pastor, the choir and the organist while servers #3 and #4 serve from the center aisle and #2 and #5 serve the side aisles (Figure 1).

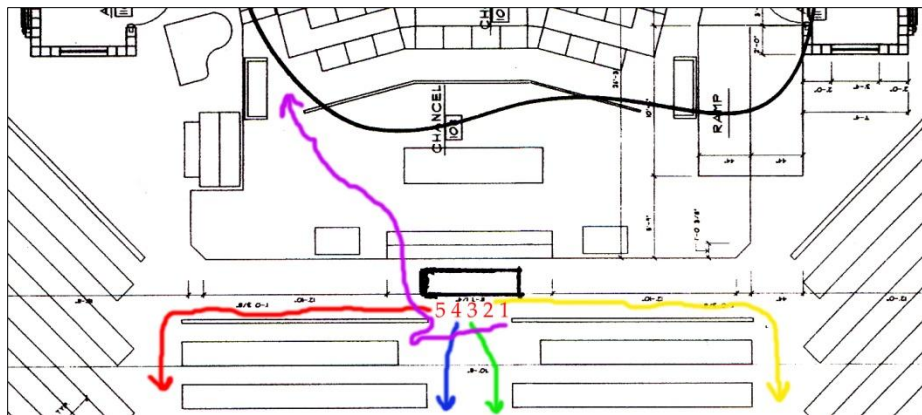


Figure 1 - This diagram shows the places from where each server will serve.

Servers #2, 3, 4, and 5 will convene at the rear of the sanctuary and wait until all are assembled, then walk forward together, stopping at the communion table where the pastor will collect the plates. Server #1 will join them, and they will file into the first pew, where they will be served by the pastor. Servers should be seated numerically, with #1 closest to the aisle (Figure 2).

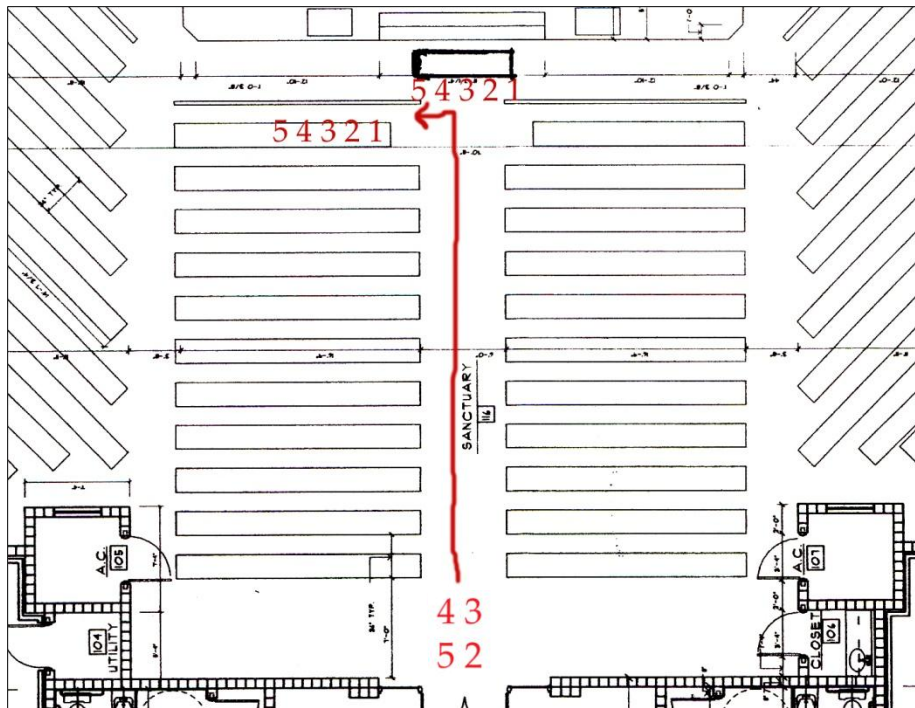


Figure 2 - This diagram shows how servers should return to the front pew after serving.

The pastor will pour the juice and the servers will come forward to receive the trays. Server #1 will serve the pastor, the choir and the organist while servers #3 and #4 serve from the center aisle and #2 and #5 serve the side aisles.

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After the benediction, the servers will follow the pastor out of the sanctuary to the narthex. The servers/ushers will help tidy the sanctuary at the end of the service.