## **ACOLYTE MINISTRY**

St. James's Episcopal Church, Richmond, VA

Becoming an acolyte is a great way to serve others, grow in your faith, and learn leadership skills within the Episcopal Church. Thank you to all our current acolytes for serving in this important ministry. And welcome to all youth who want to become an acolyte!

To become an acolyte, fill out this Acolyte Information Form

## Acolyte Ministry 101

- All 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders, boys and girls, are welcome to serve as acolytes
- To become an acolyte, simply contact the acolyte leaders and attend one acolyte training.
- Beginning in 6th grade, you're eligible to be a torchbearer and banner bearer
- Starting in 9th grade, you're eligible to be trained as a crucifer.
- Once trained, you'll be assigned to an acolyte team that serves in worship about 8 times throughout the year.
- If you can't serve when scheduled, it's each acolyte's responsibility to arrange a substitute.
- All acolytes are asked to attend a training session <u>annually</u> as a refresher and to welcome new acolytes!



## **Training Sessions**

Sunday, October 3, 2021: 10:00-10:45 am

Wednesday, October 6, 2021: 5:30-6:15 pm (dinner provided)

Attending one Training is required for all new acolytes and highly encouraged for returning acolytes

If you have questions, don't hesitate to contact us. We are here to support you!

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