



ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Dear Parents,

I am writing to you about an opportunity for your youth to have the ability to be a part of the worship life of the congregation. In an attempt to help children be more integrated into the life of the congregation, I am inviting them to serve the congregation by being an acolyte during worship.

When I came here to St. Paul-Borchers, I wanted to have the younger youth participate more within the service. One way for them to do this is by acolyting. So far, they have done a great job with assisting in worship in this capacity. Younger youth tend to be more willing and excited about being able to serve the congregation in this capacity—many of the youth look forward to when they acolyte.

While it is not a requirement to be an acolyte, it is a wonderful way for youth to learn to be a servant of the church and a way that they can live out their baptismal promises.

I am going to offer a training session for anyone who is interested in being an acolyte. **The training will be during Sunday School (9:00 AM) on September 13.** After the training I will collect the names of all the youth who are willing to acolyte and then integrate the youth into the rotation that has been established for both services. At times, we have paired a new acolyte with another youth for the first time that they acolyte.

Even if you are unsure about your youth acolyting, you can come to the training to see all that it entails and then later make a decision about whether or not the youth will acolyte. Parents are also welcome to sit in on the training.

If you are unable to attend this training, but would like your youth to acolyte please talk with me and I can make arrangements to instruct them at another time.

If you have any questions, please feel free to talk with me.

In God's Radical Grace,

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Sunday
8:00 & 10:15 A.M.

Sunday School
9:00 A.M.