

FAQS

1. How much time are we talking about? Depending on the task assigned, some team members will need to be at church about 45 min. ahead or stay 30 min. after the service.
2. Who will coordinate the team? Each team will have a leader who will oversee assignments and schedules.
3. Are kids welcome? This is St. David's — of course!
4. What if I can't make it one week? There are enough people on each team to allow for someone missing the odd Sunday.
5. 10 teams, 12 months... how does that work? This schedule means that every team doesn't work the same month every year. No one wants to do December every year.
6. How will I know what to do and how to do it? There will be some (brief) training provided as well as a manual.
7. Who's been doing all this work before now? A small group of volunteers have been doing this work for many years.

THIS ISN'T FOR ME

Opting Out

Sometimes, you just can't do something. We get that. So, if you don't think the Sacred Service is for you, we'd appreciate knowing so that we can make sure every team has a full and balanced complement of members.

To receive an honourable exemption from the service, simply let Colleen know. You can do that by writing a note on the Pink Sheet in worship, by calling the office (403) 284-2276, or by emailing cwhidden@ucalgary.ca



St. David's United Church SACRED SERVICES



Vision:

Growing and Deepening
our Spiritual Lives in
Community

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Sacred Service Teams

OVERVIEW

St. David's Sacred Service are teams of people (children to adult) who take on the supportive tasks associated with Sunday morning events for one month.

There will be 12 Sacred Service teams operating at St. David's, with newcomers being added when they are comfortable and ready.

Roughly two weeks preceding their assigned month, each team will meet at the church to share a potluck meal, divvy up tasks, receive a bit of training and get to know each other better.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Sacred Service is 6 fold:

1. To deepen the relationships of people within the church.
2. To promote a higher rate of active participation in the faith life of St. David's.
3. To allow for people to test their gifts.
4. To offer an opportunity for meaningful intergenerational interaction.
5. To provide occasions where newcomers can become more involved in the life of the community.
6. To have fun!



Community

HOW IT WORKS

Every month, a Sacred Service team will be responsible for most of the logistics at a Sunday morning worship experience including:

Weekly

- * Ushering and Greeting including taking the offering
- * Preparing for the Coffee fellowship time;
- * Setting up the communion and prayer candle tables when required;
- * Reading scripture;
- * Tidying up the sanctuary before and after the service.

Monthly

- * Providing and preparing bread and juice for communion;
- * Setting up communion Sunday morning
- * Communion servers;
- * Community Lunch