DEACON INSTRUCTIONS:

8:00 a.m. service

1. Please come forward during the “Lamb of God”. Go to the altar and take a chalice and one purificator (paper napkin). The pastor will take the bread. If the acolytes have not rolled the communion table to the center of the aisle, please do so.

2. The pastor will distribute the bread in the center aisle and bless those who do not yet receive.

3. You will stand on either side, near the head of the aisle, behind the communion table. As each communicant holds out a glass to you, fill it about 1/2 to 2/3’s full of wine and say “The blood of Christ, shed for you.” If the communicant chooses a glass with grape juice, say the words.

4. After everyone else has communed, the two deacons, acolytes and pastor will commune around the communion table. Make room on the table by moving the trays to a lower level.

5. The pastor will distribute the bread to each of you, and then hand one of you the loaf to commune the pastor. The pastor will distribute the wine, then one of you will pour the wine for the pastor.

6. Take the chalice back to the altar. Acolytes should roll the portable table back to its original place. If they don’t, please remind them.

7. Thank you!