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## Need More Information?

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USHERS

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## An Usher's Prayer

May I, dear Lord—in church today—  
fulfill my assignment in a Christ-like  
way.

Make me efficient in what I do,  
effective in what I say, understanding  
by the way I feel about people, and  
helpful in the attitudes I have toward  
them. Make me a co-worker with the  
pastor, the church musicians, the  
teachers, and most of all, Lord, with  
Thee. Save me from hurtful words and  
harmful deeds. Make people glad they  
came to our church today because the  
Holy Spirit ministered to their needs  
through the sermons and prayers of  
the pastor, through the music of the  
organist and singers, through the  
explanations of understanding  
teachers, and through the ministry of  
ushers like me.

In Christ's Name. Amen.

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## FIRST GETHSEMANE BAPTIST CHURCH



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## Usher Ministry

“Whatsoever ye do, do it  
heartily, as unto the Lord, and  
not unto men; knowing that of  
the Lord ye shall receive the  
reward of the inheritance for  
ye serve the Lord Christ.”

~ Colossians 3:23-24

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## Mission Statement

To assist the pastor in making the worship service a success; to greet each worshipper with a pleasant smile and warm welcome thereby putting the congregation in the right frame of mind to receive the message; to ensure that order is kept in and around the church at all times; and to do whatever possible to advance God's kingdom and this church.

## Responsibilities

- Greet people both before and after services;
- Seat members and visitors;
- Provide information about the church, services, and programs;
- Distribute church bulletins;
- Collect tithes and offerings;
- Be alert to the needs of those in the service;
- Assist in restoring the sanctuary to physical orderliness;
- In case of an emergency, report or contact individuals who would best handle the crisis; and
- Always wear your badge to be recognizable to the congregation.

## Usher Best Practices

- \* The ushers keep order. They help create a spirit of worship, reverence, and fellowship in the church.
- \* Usher must always be ready to serve as a good host. We serve as greeters and caretakers, ensuring the needs of our guest and members are met.
- \* Seat the worshippers when they like to sit when possible.
- \* Be at your post 15 minutes before service. Prepare yourself for worship before you come to church.
- \* Be knowledgeable about your church and prepared to answer questions.
- \* Be tactful with late comers, making them feel welcome and seating them at appropriate times.
- \* Always conduct yourself in a dignified and reverent manner. You represent God and the church. Remember, you may be the first face a visitor sees.

“The name of the Lord is a fortified tower; the righteous run to it and are safe.”  
~ Proverbs 18:10

## COVID-19 Safe Practices

- \* Masks are required to be properly worn at all times.
- \* Social distancing will be expected at all times.
- \* Hand sanitizer will be available for your frequent use.
- \* Gloves will be provided when necessary.
- \* We will continue to monitor the guidelines provided by the CDC, local Health Department, and state and local government. We will alert you if there are any changes to these protocols.
- \* As always, we are the face of the church and we always want our congregation to feel welcomed and at ease. During this unprecedented time, please take care to pray and consult the Holy Spirit when interacting with the saints.
- \* For the latest details on COVID-19, please reference:  
[www.louisvilleky.gov/government/louisville-covid-19-resource-center](http://www.louisvilleky.gov/government/louisville-covid-19-resource-center)

**A GOOD USHER ALWAYS  
STRIVES TO BE A BLESSING**