

**FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**LITURGIST (LAYPERSON)**  
**MINISTRY DESCRIPTION**



**Bible Verse:** Jesus said, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” (John 8: 31)

**Objective:** Liturgists help FUPC to glorify God through faithful service and meaningful worship, by preparing and presenting liturgy for both worship services and by helping to create a significant worship environment and experience for those in attendance.

**Result #1:** Liturgists understand the order of worship and are able to follow it independently; they know that typically liturgists lead worship at the beginning of the services, but the pastor takes the lead after the scripture reading.

**Result #2:** Liturgists receive a PDF of the bulletin via email or pick up a paper copy of the bulletin on Friday afternoon; they then review the bulletin to practice all readings, such as the scripture passages for the week (NRSV).

**Result #3:** Liturgists contribute by writing original content to include in the leadership of the service.

**Result #4:** Liturgists arrive at the church no later than 20 minutes before the service, to allow time for the pastor to coordinate any last details.

**Result #5:** Liturgists enter and exit worship services with the pastor.

**Team Composition (number):** 12-15 volunteers

**Time Commitment:** 4 to 5 hours, approximately once every three months (Special worship services or holiday observation services do occur, which might add infrequently to the time commitment.)

**Special Talents and Skills Preferred:** Interest in worship service; clear enunciation; fluent reader (aloud); some familiarity with scripture reading and study; comfort with public speaking.

**Spiritual Gifts:** Discernment, Teaching, Knowledge.

**Support and Accountability:** Senior Pastor

**Resources and Training Provided:** The pastor provides printed materials, as well as information to access websites and his own specific instructions for worship.

**Requirement:** Member of FUPC

\*Thank you for considering this important ministry.  
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