



Governance Manual

READER DUTIES

1. INTRODUCTION

The job of the reader is to offer the weekly scripture passages to the congregation in a manner that is engaging and educational.

2. BEFORE THE SERVICE

The Readings for each week are listed on the service roster or the Bulletin. The Office Secretary inserts bookmarks into the lectern bible in case you forget to bring your own bible.

Please read through your readings early during the week to familiarise yourself with the passages and sort out any difficult pronunciation. If you are unsure about how to read your reading please contact the pastor.

Please check power-point slides, prior to worship, to see where the readings come in the service or if there is the Psalm between the First and Second readings.

3. DURING THE SERVICE

Be prepared to approach the altar when the pastor or lay reader announces the readings in the service.

Be consistent in the way you introduce the reading. Avoid giving long introductions.

Do not say, "The first reading is found in (it was never lost!) .. ." Instead say, "The first reading is written in .. ." A good model to follow is "The first reading is written in chapter ... of. , beginning at verse "

At the end of each reading you say; "This is the Word of the Lord" and together with the congregation, "**Thanks be to God**".



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