

# Acolyte Training





At the 8:30 a.m. Worship Service

Also known as the  
***Traditional Service***

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# Step One – Say a prayer.

## Prayers For Worship Assistants

### Before Worship

God of grace, you have given us minds to know you, hearts to love you, and voices to sing your praise. Fill us with your Spirit, that we may celebrate your glory and worship you in spirit and truth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

### Grace To Receive The Word

Blessed Lord God, you have caused the holy scriptures to be written for the nourishment of your people. Grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that, comforted by your promises, we may embrace and forever hold fast to the hope of eternal life, which you have given us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

### Before Holy Communion

Merciful God, we do not presume to come to your table trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat and drink the body and blood of your dear Son, Jesus Christ, that we may live in him and he in us, now and forever. Amen.

### Before Holy Communion

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven; your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Grant that we who will receive the sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever. Amen.

### After Worship

Almighty God, grant that your holy word which has been proclaimed this day may enter into our hearts through your grace, that it may produce in us the fruit of the Spirit for wisdom and service in the world and to the praise and honor of your name, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

### After worship

Grant, O Lord Jesus, that the ears which have heard the voice of your songs may be closed to the voice of dispute; that the eyes which have seen your great love may also behold your blessed hope; that the tongues which have sung your praise may speak the truth in love; that the feet which have walked in your courts may walk in the region of light; and that the bodies which have received your living body may be restored in newness of life. Glory to you for your inexpressible gift, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## Step Two – Meet the pastor in the Narthex.





# Step Three – After the Call to Worship, light the candles.



**Step Four – Drop off the lighter  
and go to the Sound Room.**





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# Step Five – Run the PowerPoint presentation.



**Step Six – During the offering,  
come out to seat by the flag.**





## Step Seven – Receive the Offering.

- Go stand on the step, in between the altar rails.





## **Step Seven – Receive the Offering.**

- Take the wine first and hand it to the Assisting Minister (on the right)**
  - Take the bread and hand it to the pastor (on the left)**
- Take the offering plate and place it on the left table behind the altar.**

## **Step Seven – Receive the Offering.**

- Go and sit in the front row, near the pulpit.**



## **Step Eight – Receive Communion.**

- Join the Assisting Minister and the Communion Assistant and kneel at the rail to receive Communion.**
- If we are NOT using little cups, you can return to your seat by the flag.**
- If we ARE using little cups, stay near the altar.**



## **Step Nine – Help with Communion.**

- When we use little cups, you will take an empty tray and be the last one in line.**
- People will place their empty wine cups into your empty tray.**
- When your tray gets filled, put it down on the altar and take the empty one you should find there.**

## **Step Ten – Put out the candles.**

- At the end of the service, when the pastor and Assisting Minister walk out, take your lighter and put out the two altar candles.**

**Last Step – Put away your lighter, cross, robe and rope.**

- Hang it up neatly so it looks good for the next person.**





At the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Also known as the  
***Contemporary Service***

# first sunday



**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month ONLY**



**1 Acolyte**

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**1 PowerPoint operator**

# PowerPoint Operator

Step One – Go to the sound room and run the slides for the service.





## **PowerPoint Operator**

**Step Two – When the Band comes forward for Communion, come out of the sound room and join them.**

**-Return to the sound room after you have received Communion and run the slides for the rest of the service.**

# Acolyte

Step One – Get lighter.  
-No robes at this service



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**Step Two – Meet the pastor in the Narthex.**





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### Step Four – Receive the Offering.

- Go stand on the step, in between the altar rails.



## **Acolyte**

**Step Four – When the ushers have collected the offering and bring it forward, hand it to the pastor or Assisting Minister at the altar.**

**-Return to your seat.**



## **Acolyte**

**Step Five – During Communion, you will be last in line and collect the little cups.**

**-After Communion, return to your seat.**

# **Acolyte**

## **Step Six – Put out the candles.**

- At the end of the service, when the pastor and Assisting Minister walk out, take your lighter and put out the two altar candles.**

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**Last Step – Put away your lighter.**



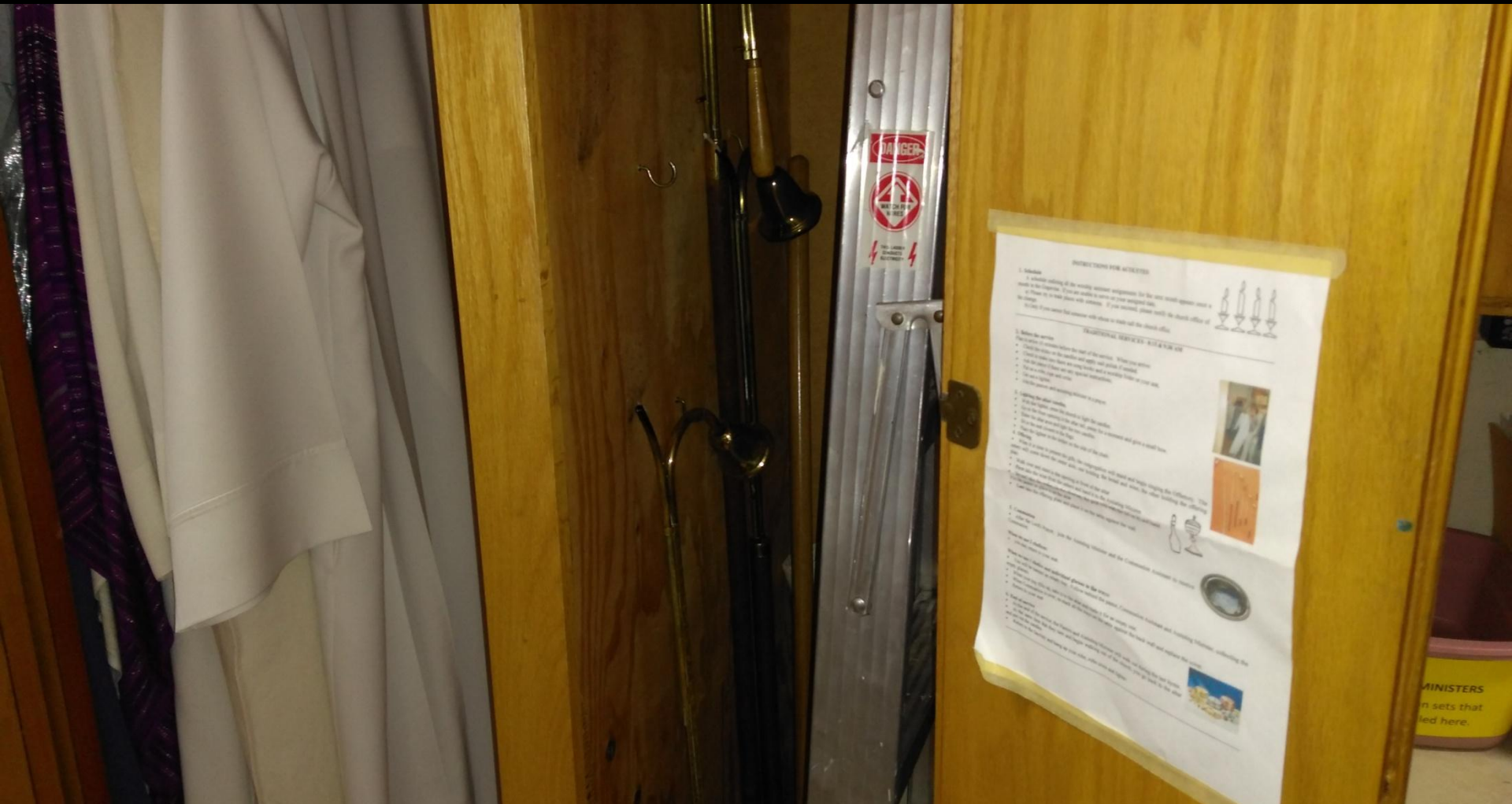
2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>

SUNDAYS

1 Acolyte only

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## Step Four

### Run the slides for the service.



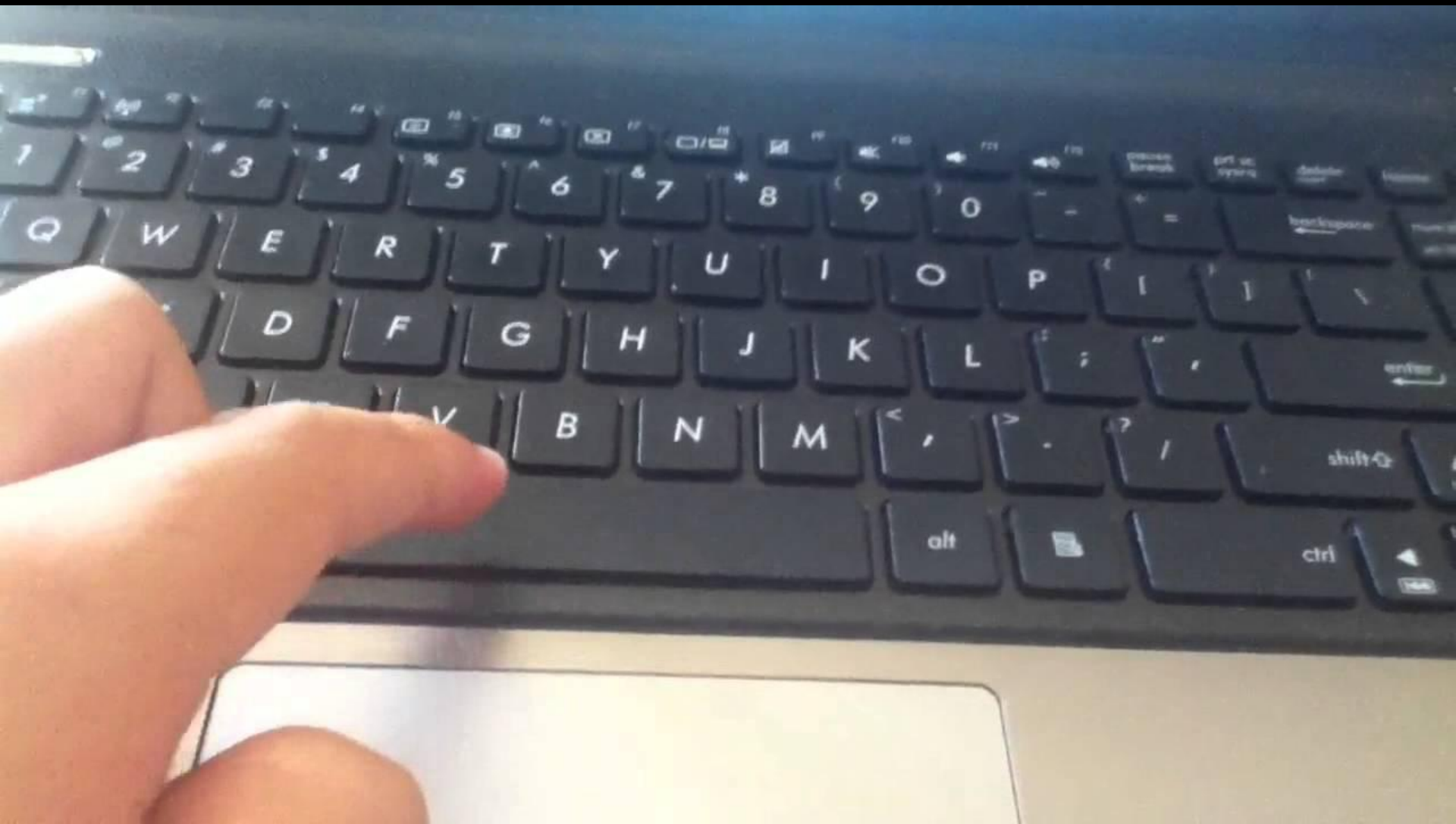
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## **Step Five**

- When the Band comes forward for Communion, come out of the sound room and join them.**
- Return to the sound room after you have received Communion and run the slides for the rest of the service.**
- The pastor or Assisting Minister will receive the offering.**

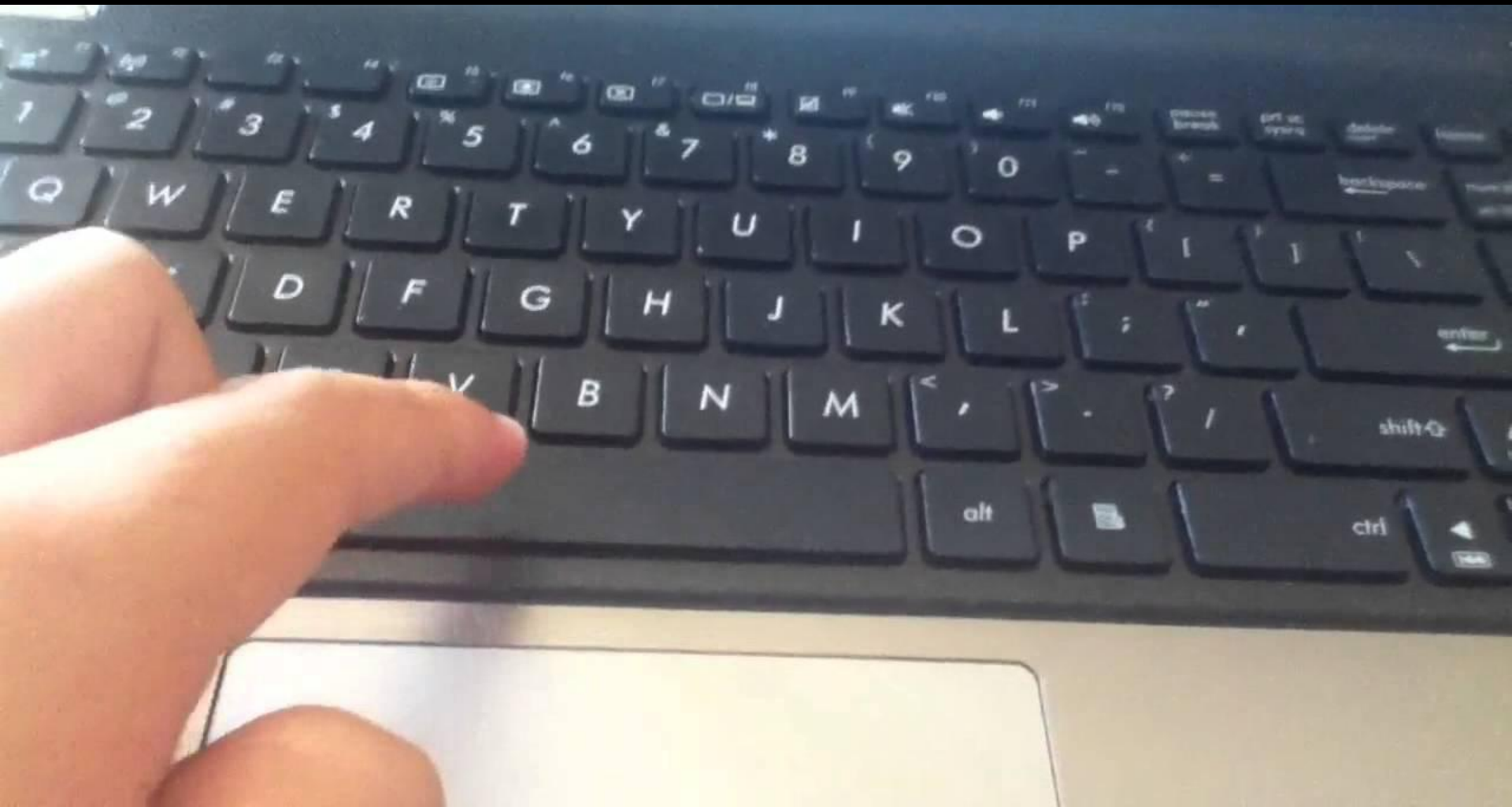


**Running the slides for the worship services.**

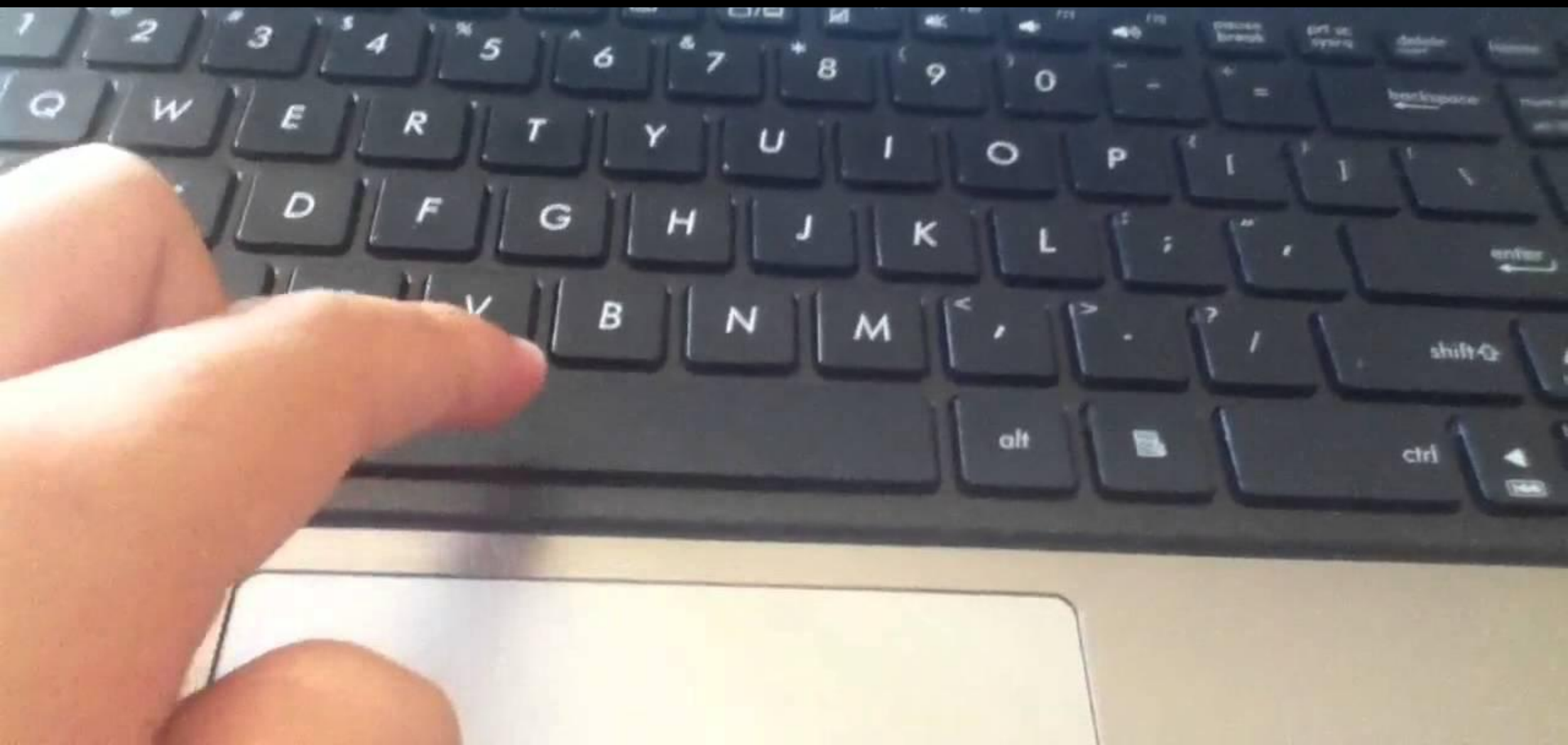




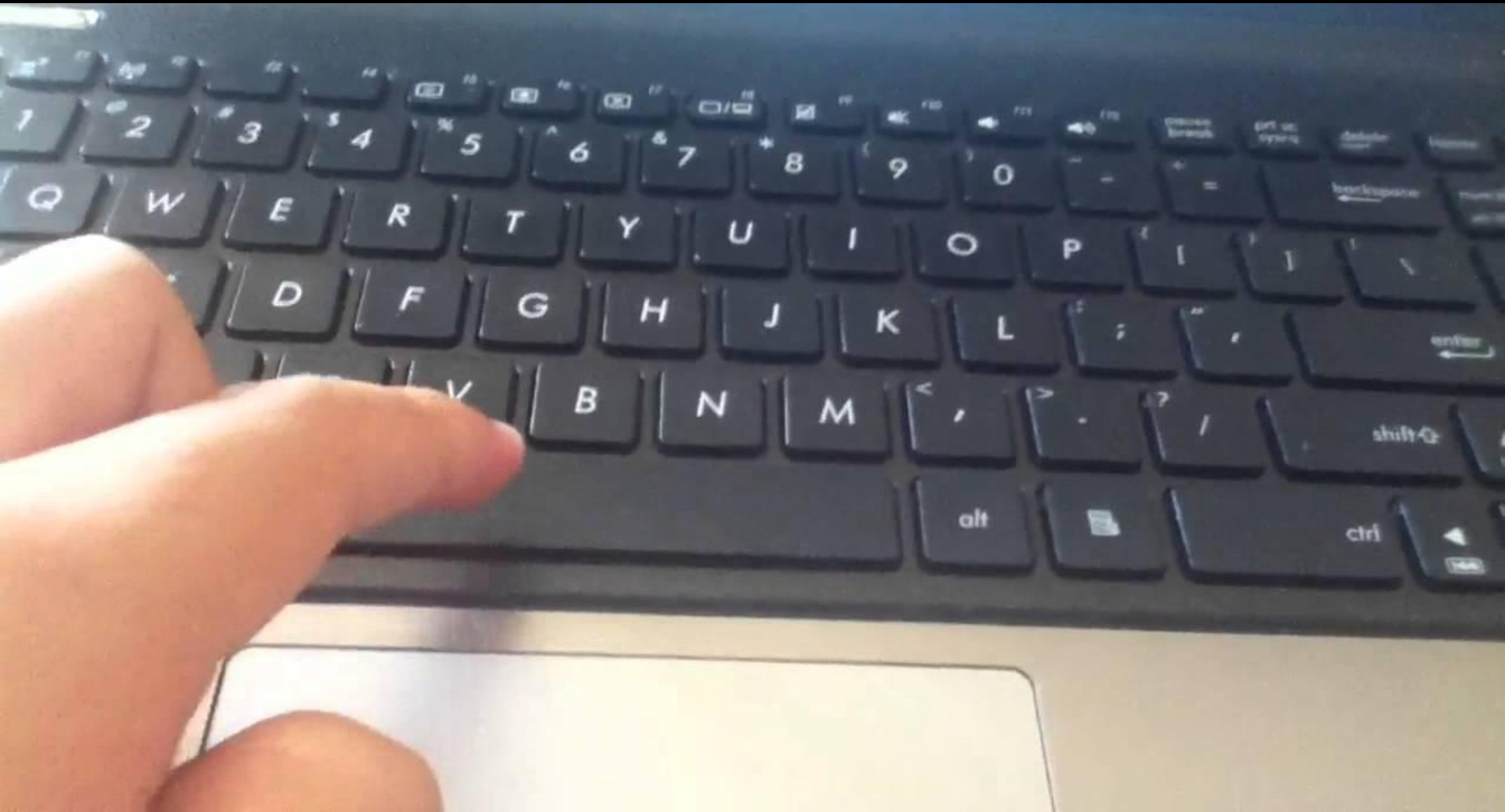
**Follow the order of service and change the slides as the service moves along – Call to Worship, readings, etc.**



**During choir slides (1<sup>st</sup> service) or Praise Band songs (2<sup>nd</sup> service), when the last word on the slide starts to be sung, hit the spacebar to advance to the next slide.**



# Practice using the song and slides that follow





Thanks for  
taking the time  
to read this!!!

