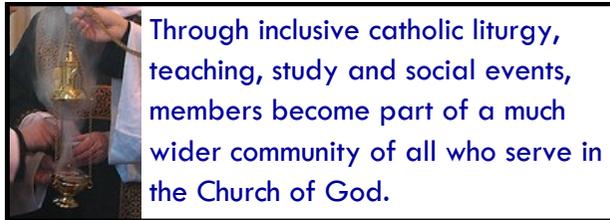


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Company of Servers

established in 2009, seeks to encourage and sustain the ministry of those who serve God at the altar.

Members receive a Company badge, a handbook and the opportunity to attend the annual Company Festival.



***Look inside to discover
if you would like to be a part
of this community!***

What do I do now?

***Have a look at our
website for the latest
news and information ...***

www.companyofservers.org

***and for your local
Chapter contact details.***



All servers can join ...

- Junior membership
- Adult membership
- Life membership

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A community for all who
serve God at the altar within
the Anglican Communion

Visitor ~ The Right Reverend Stephen Conway SCP
Chaplain General ~ The Very Revd Andrew Nunn SCP

Companions

The Company of Servers was formed in the spring of 2009 for all who are servers in the Anglican Communion. Membership is open to all ages, from the youngest, newest server, to those who have dedicated many years' service. Members are known as Companions and become part of a national and international community of friendship, teaching, learning and support.

*Those who serve at the altar share
in what is offered at the altar.*

1 Cor. 9.13

Companions are members of the Company in the area, (usually the diocese), where they serve. These are known as 'Chapters', and each has its own identity and role within the whole Company. New members should contact their local Chapter to find out more about its activities.

The Company was founded alongside the Society of Catholic Priests and shares its understanding that the ordained priesthood is for all whom the Church believe to be called. The Company of Servers seeks to encourage, support and value lay ministry in the Anglican Communion and to help servers develop not only practical but spiritual skills as well as offering friendship, guidance and learning opportunities.



Worshippers

Serving at the altar is a privilege and forms part of an act of worship in which all can take part.

The Company of Servers seeks to offer an understanding of the interpretation of worship and liturgy—teaching the meaning of what servers do and encouraging development both practically and spiritually.

The annual Company Festival focuses on fellowship, worship and learning, both from each other and in a variety of interactive workshops, activities, talks and reflections. This is a wonderful opportunity to spend time with others who share their time and talent in the service of God's Church.



Throughout the year, individual Chapters organise their own training days, worship, meetings and activities. Companions are encouraged to take an active part in the Company which provides opportunities for all age groups and understands the levels of commitment those who serve can offer. Families and friends are welcomed to open events.

The Company of Servers aims to promote good practice in serving and liturgical excellence, not only for its members but for clergy who can become Associate Companions.



Evangelists

The ministry of servers is a quiet one and often goes unnoticed but makes an enormous contribution to worship, whether in a tiny village church or a great cathedral.

The Company of Servers hopes to raise not only an understanding of the hows and whys of serving but also encourage those who serve already to continue and feel valued. Through raising awareness of the ministry of those who serve at the altar it is hoped that others will begin to explore this essential role in the service of God and his Church.



*If anyone serves, they should do
it with the strength God provides,
so that in all things God may be
praised through Jesus Christ.*

1 Peter 4.11

The Company Prayer

Gracious Father,
bless the Company of Servers
and equip us all to show forth in our lives
the fruits of adoration
and to bring others closer to you
as we help them to pray.
We ask this through Jesus Christ
our great high priest.
Amen.

