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Minister's Challenge Scorecard - Youth

September 15, 2024 - April 6, 2025

Collect a ribbon for doing at least one activity in each category. Get points for each activity as noted. Have an adult who was present or with whom you have discussed the activity initial on the line describing the activity. Top scorers will share a meal and/or dessert with Michael.

* Look at church calendar for times.

Spiritual Practices / Exploration (Red Ribbon)

_____ 1 week meditating 5/10/15 mins per day **(1/2/3 points)**
_____ Attend a Taize service (First Sundays, 7-8 pm through April)* **(3 points)**
_____ Attend an Earth Centered Spirituality ritual at church* **(3 points)**
_____ Attend a mindfulness group meditation* **(3 points)**
_____ Keep a gratitude journal for two weeks **(3 points)**
_____ Lead family in a grace at dinner at least two times (Use "A Grateful Heart" as a resource if you'd like) **(1 point)**
_____ Attend Sunday morning worship (and stay for the whole service) at least two times **(3 points)**
_____ Attend a service at a different faith community **(1 points)**
_____ Other as approved by Youth Group Advisor(s) **(1-3 points)**

Social Justice (Orange Ribbon)

_____ Read two articles on a topic you care about that express a differing opinion from yours. **(1 point)**
_____ Attend / organize a rally or demonstration for a cause you believe in. **(2 points / 4 points)**
_____ Get involved in voter registration or the campaign of a political candidate. **(3 points)**
_____ Read three articles about homelessness. Share links with Youth Group advisors. **(3 points)**
_____ Read three articles about conflict between Palestine & Israel. Share links with Youth Group advisors. **(3 pts)**
_____ Write to an elected official or the newspaper, articulating a position you hold and why you think it's important. **(3 points)**
_____ Meet with an elected official to explain a cause you believe in. **(3 points)**
_____ Design and implement a service project. **(4 points)**
_____ Participate in a service project. **(2 points)**
_____ Fundraise for a justice cause with contributions from at least 5 people. **(2 points)**
_____ Other as approved by Youth Group Advisor(s) **(1-3 points)**

Living Your Values Daily (Yellow Ribbon)

_____ Find someone at school who seems disconnected and eat lunch with them. **(2 points)**
_____ Replace three single-use plastic items with reusables, or give up a habit that involves single use plastic for one month (such as plastic take-out cups for drinks). **(2 points)**
_____ Write 3 cards to people you love but seldom see. **(1 point)**
_____ Sign up to volunteer during a Family Promise week.* **(2 points)**
_____ Participate in a trash clean up. **(1 point)**
_____ Organize a trash clean up that involves at least 5 others. **(3 points)**
_____ Replace a regular mode of transport that relies on fossil fuels with climate friendly transport (walk, bike, public transport, ride-share) on at least five occasions. **(3 points)**
_____ Cook/eat a meal that uses no retail packaging (home grown, bulk food, unpackaged veggies/fruit. **(3 points)**
_____ Other as approved by Youth Group Advisor(s) **(1-3 points)**

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Creativity (Green Ribbon)

_____ Write a story, song, or poem about a time you were faced with a tough moral choice and how you decided what to do. **(3 points)**
_____ Help populate our Youth Group bulletin board with pictures and information to help make Youth Group activities and projects more visible to the congregation. **(2 points)**
_____ Work with Michael to write a reflection to share during a Sunday morning service. **(4 points)**
_____ Create a slideshow or video to use on the screen on Sunday mornings or a graphic for the cover of the Order of Service. **(3 points)**
_____ Create a timeline, map, or collage of your spiritual journey so far. **(2 points)**
_____ Play music during a Sunday morning or Taize service.* **(2 points)**
_____ Other as approved by Youth Group Advisor(s) **(1-3 points)**

Get to Know Unitarian Universalism and our UU Church (Blue Ribbon)

Find out by any (legal :-)) means necessary:

- _____ What is the story of the silver by the sanctuary? **(1 point)**
- _____ What happened to the previous church buildings? **(1 point)**
- _____ What is the maximum power our solar panels have ever put out in a day? **(1 point)**
- _____ When did we become a Green Sanctuary and what does it mean? **(1 point)**
- _____ When and how did we become a Welcoming Congregation? **(1 point)**

_____ Take out a book from the church library and give a brief review of it at Youth Group. **(3 points)**
_____ Research one of the Unitarians/Universalists from our church history for whom we have named some of our classrooms. Present your learning to the Youth Group. **(2 points)**
_____ Attend a meeting of the Worship Associates, Board of Trustees, or UU Friends of Refugees.* **(3 points)**
_____ Interview a pastoral care associate about their work for the congregation. **(2 points)**
_____ Assist with social hour set up or clean up (up to three times). **(2 points)**
_____ Serve as an usher or greeter (get points for up to three times). **(1 point)**
_____ Participate in buildings and/or grounds project.* **(1-3 points)**
_____ Other as approved by Youth Group Advisor(s) **(1-3 points)**

Intergenerational Connections (Indigo Ribbon)

_____ Meet with a church member over 60 and interview them about their spiritual journey. **(2 points)**
_____ Spend one Sunday AM in the nursery. **(1 point)**
_____ Participate in “Everybody’s Birthday Party” on October 27, 2024 after the service. **(1 point)**
_____ Work with another youth to help host a Second Hour lunch. **(3 points)**
_____ Attend at least one choir rehearsal (Thu @ 7) and sing in one Sunday service. **(2 points)**
_____ Play a game of ping-pong, pool or foosball with an adult (other than a family member). **(1 point)**
_____ Attend Games & Chocolates (1st Fridays @ 6:30 pm).* **(1 point)**
_____ Attend a Drum Circle (3rd Sundays @ 7 pm).* **(1 point)**
_____ Participate in “Caroling with the Homeless” on Fri, Dec 20, 2024 @ 6:30 pm. **(2 points)**
_____ Other as approved by Youth Group Advisor(s) **(1-3 points)**

Leadership (Violet Ribbon)

_____ Ask the organizer of one of these events to give you a specific role to be in charge of:

- Imbolc Family Formal (Sat, 2/1/25)
- Thanksgiving Dinner (Sat, 11/23/24)
- Christmas Eve services
- Yule / Winter Solstice ritual

_____ Lead worship during a Youth Group meeting. **(1 point)**
_____ Write an article about Youth Group for the *Parish Notes* newsletter. (**3 points**)
_____ Plan a *Time for All Ages* with Michael to present at Sunday worship. (**3 points**)
_____ Organize a drive to support the Homeless Resource Center. **(3 points)**
_____ Join a church committee or team. **(4 points)**
_____ Other as approved by Youth Group Advisor(s) **(1-3 points)**