

## OVERVIEW

The volunteer Youth Lector supports the church's mission to "receive, live, and share the abundant life of Jesus Christ" by reading the scripture passage aloud to the congregation at Sunday worship services.

## RESPONSIBILITIES

- Communicate with Administrative Assistant to schedule reading dates and details. We recommend lectors serve approximately once per month, but there is room for flexibility.
- Read through passage prior to Sunday in order to familiarize yourself with the pronunciation and tone of the reading. Direct any questions concerning the reading to clergy, youth staff, or the Administrative Assistant.
- Arrive 15 minutes early to the service you are reading at to ensure that the reading is placed on the lectern and to receive any last-minute instructions. Find and speak to the verger (wearing a black vestment) to let him/her know you are present and prepared.
- Walk up to the lectern at the appointed time in the service and read through the passage of scripture.
- Communicate any necessary feedback or concerns to the Administrative Assistant or the Youth Ministry staff.

## RELATIONSHIPS

- Youth Lectors will function much like adult lectors in that they will communicate predominantly with the Administrative Assistant who will update them on all details.
- Youth Lectors will also work alongside the Youth Staff to provide insight or feedback, to encourage other youth to participate, and to (if they want to) read at other services or events.

## TIME COMMITMENT

Approximately 30 minutes for each commitment – this includes advance preparation and early arrival before the service.

## SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Reading or speaking in front of others. Reading Scripture is not the same as public speaking and does not require eye contact or any sort of theatrical performance. If you can read clearly and are willing to prepare briefly in advance, you are qualified.

## RESOURCES AND TRAINING

Any training and details will be provided by staff.

*Curious? Interested in this ministry?*

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