

## Scope and Sequence: Tapestry of Faith – Children

Series	Grades, Title, and Number of Sessions	Unifying construct	Theme	Content
<b>Preschool</b>	Ages 3 - 5yrs Chalice Children 37 Sessions		Chalice Children strives not just to teach about our UU faith, but also to provide experiences around the strength of community, the wonder and awe that transcend everyday understanding, and life issues we all share.	Available online in Tapestry of Faith: <a href="http://www.uua.org/re/tapestry/children/chalicechildren">http://www.uua.org/re/tapestry/children/chalicechildren</a>
<b>Preschool</b>	Ages 2-4 yrs Celebrating Me and My World 37 sessions		Provides experiences and opportunities for children to grow in their sense of trust and caring and to develop self-identity and their sense of connectedness to all of life.	Available as a free e-book: <a href="https://goo.gl/SVrAOB">https://goo.gl/SVrAOB</a>
<b>Preschool</b>	Ages 4-5 yrs We Are Many, We Are One 36 sessions		Stories, games and projects encourage children to honor themselves, their religious community, nature and cultures from around the world.	Available in print from the UUA Bookstore: <a href="http://www.uuabookstore.org/We-Are-Many-We-Are-One-P16677.aspx">http://www.uuabookstore.org/We-Are-Many-We-Are-One-P16677.aspx</a>
<b>Living Faith</b>	Grades K-1 Creating Home 16 sessions	Labyrinth	Explores the concept of homes: the purposes homes serve, the places where you feel at home; Unitarian Universalism as your faith home.	Helps children define a home by the functions homes serve. Participants look at their family homes, animal homes and their faith home. Helps children experience the ways in which they are grounded, safe, and accepted in their family and faith homes.
	Grades 2-3 Moral Tales 16 sessions	Moral compass	Spiritual and ethical qualities as directions for living a good life	Provides participants with an ethics- and faith-based framework for thinking about what it means to be just and good, introducing and reinforcing concepts such as interdependence, conscience, faith, compassion, awe, non-violence, responsibility, perseverance, cooperation, and ecological balance. . Strengthens Unitarian Universalist identity by demonstrating the connection between the choices we make in our lives and the beliefs and attitudes we hold as Unitarian Universalists..
	Grades 4-5 Toolbox of Faith 16 sessions	Tools representing qualities of UU faith	Qualities of our Unitarian Universalist faith as tools we can use in living our lives and building our own faith	Children discover aspects of UU faith that nurture moral development. Each session uses a tool as a metaphor for an important quality such as reflection (symbolized by a mirror), flexibility (duct tape), and justice (a flashlight).

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<b>Seeking Truth</b>	Grades K-1 Wonderful Welcome 16 sessions	Wonder Box	Intangible gifts we can use to be welcoming and inclusive	Establishes welcoming as part of one's UU identity; welcoming is grounded in values and spirituality. Challenges leaders and children alike to explore how and why we are willing to welcome others into our lives.
	Grades 2-3 Faithful Journeys 16 sessions	Journeys along a path	How Unitarian Universalism translates into life choices and everyday actions.	Participants learn who Unitarian Universalists are, what we believe, and how we live our faith; equips participants with language and experiences to develop and articulate their UU identity.
	Grades 4-5 Windows and Mirrors 16 sessions	Window and mirror art panels	Nurtures children's ability to identify their own experiences and perspectives and to seek out, care about and respect those of others. Nurtures respect for cultural diversity. Teaches that there are always multiple viewpoints and everyone's viewpoint matters.	Guides children to identify and respect their own values, views and needs as well as those of others in a variety of contexts. Provides children with practice in observation, interpretation and critical thinking. Develops children's empathy, open-mindedness and respect for differences, seen and unseen.
	Grade 6 Amazing Grace 16 sessions	Ethics Play Game	How UUs distinguish virtue from sin, right from wrong.	Examines themes in ethical decision making, such as free will, the Golden Rule, guilt, punishment and forgiveness; universal salvation; and the usefulness of rules.
<b>Creating Love</b>	Grades K-1 Love Surrounds Us 16 sessions	Heart Ribbon Magnet	Explores UU Principles in the context of Beloved Community of family/home, school, neighborhood. Activities emphasize the love experienced in community.	Teaches the seven UU Principles. Develops connections among love, the Principles, and the communities of home, school, faith, and world. Teaches children skills for forgiveness, love, sharing, acceptance, caring, and peace in a loving community. Explores rituals that help us celebrate UU Principles.
	Grades 2-3 Love Will Guide Us 16 sessions	The Night Sky – and UU Sources as constellations	Children learn to seek guidance in life through the lens of our Unitarian Universalist Sources, with an emphasis on love.	Teaches the seven Sources (7 <sup>th</sup> = UU history and heritage). Emphasizes love as the guiding force in UU faith. Provides an opportunity for children to address theological questions and formulate their own ideas and beliefs.
	Grades 4-5 Love Connects Us 16 sessions	Rainbow wall hanging	Celebrates important ways Unitarian Universalists live our faith in covenanted community.	Explores our legacy, from both Universalism and Unitarianism, of loving service, inquiry, and action for social justice. Children learn how our actions create a new heritage of connecting in love which will shape the faith of future generations.
	Grade 6 Riddle and Mystery 16 sessions	Television broadcasts	Explores UU answers to Big Theological Questions; encourages participants to ask questions and find their own answers.	Engages in reflection on such theological questions as, "What is religion?" "How does religion help us make meaning of life?" "Is there a god?" "What happens when we die?" "How do I know what is Truth?" and "Do I have a soul?"

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<b>Developing Leaders</b>	Grades K-1 World of Wonder 16 sessions	World of Wonder mural	Focuses on our Unitarian Universalist seventh Principle; instills respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part, and appreciation of nature's beauty, excitement, and mystery.	Founded on the premise that direct experience in nature is essential to children's physical, emotional, intellectual, and spiritual development, It engages children in direct experiences with the web, especially outdoors. Promotes a deep understanding of interdependence. Teaches basic environmental concepts and processes. Provides meaningful ways for children to positively impact and promote the health of the interdependent web.
	Grades 2-3 Signs of Our Faith 16 sessions	Leadership stoles	Living our UU values every day. Encourages participants to be faithful leaders in their congregations, communities, and the world.	Looks at how we live our values in everyday life and through rituals. Provides opportunities for participants to take the lead in congregational life in worship, service and group activities.
	Grades 4-5 Sing to the Power 16 sessions	Circle of Elements mural	Affirms our UU heritage of confronting "powers and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power of love." Participants experience their own power, and understand how it can help them lead.	Explores the kinds of power that can create positive change. Enriches Unitarian Universalist identity with stories of people who used their power for the sake of "justice, compassion, and the transforming power of love." Develops participants' sense of themselves as leaders.