

Three Harbors Council



SCOUTS WORSHIP



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Yours in Scouting,
Sherman Martell

FORWARD

“A Scout is Reverent. A Scout is reverent toward God. A Scout is faithful in one’s religious duties. A Scout respects the beliefs of others.” So reads the twelfth point of the Scout Law. Robert Baden-Powell, founder of the Scouting movement, once said of the scouting movement: “There is no religious side to the movement. The whole of it is based on religion, that is, on the realization and service of God.”

Having a worship service should be part of your unit’s camp out experience. However, many scouts are uncomfortable leading such a service. This booklet is intended to be a resource of worship materials that you can choose from as you plan a scout worship service.

Some readers will undoubtedly observe that there is a preponderance of Christian materials in this resource. We all speak from our own personal experiences and my experience has been as a member of the Lutheran Church. I am thankful for teachings and writings from Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Native Americans, Buddhism, Hinduism, and other faith groups. As Scouts and Scouters we have much more in common than that which separates us. As Scouts and Scouters we show respect for other’s beliefs and religious practices.

“Scouts Worship” is resource for individual use as well as for camp chapel or other scout settings. Scout planning Scout participation in the planning of a worship service is preferred. When a Scout or Scouter is asked to participate in a worship service, that individual should be given an adequate opportunity to look at worship materials prior to the service.

A talk can be given by either a Scout or Scouter. Whomever gives a talk should be prepare and capable of delivering a talk in an appealing and honest manner. A few points to remember for those participating in a worship service:

Be natural. Don’t adopt a special voice.

Keep each part of the worship service an appropriate length. Remember a long service does not necessarily mean it is a good service. A good service is one that is well prepared and moves along.

Please have someone with musical ability start the songs at a singable pitch. If Needed have a “music leader” teach the songs to the congregation.

The enclosed services can be used as they are printed or they can have additions or deletions that enhance the worship service.

Finally, carefully plan your worship service and chapel talk. Remember the primary purpose of worship is to honor God. It will help the spirit of worship if Scouts and Scouters are reminded that they are in the presence of God and that they should enter into the meaning of the prayers, the songs, the sacred readings and the responsive readings of the worship service. It is hoped that Scouts and Scouters will be enhanced in their walk with God and one another, as well as in the understanding of how to live out being reverent to God.

SCOUTS WORSHIP -- "A SCOUT IS TRUSTWORTHY"

Theme: "A Scout's honor is to be trusted."

A Scout is TRUSTWORTHY. A Scout tells the truth. A Scout keeps one's promises. Honesty is a part of one's code of conduct. People can depend upon a Scout. (from the Boy Scout Handbook).

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Leader: Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like an eagle, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint. Teach me Lord to wait.

WE CONFESS OUR BROKENNESS

ALL: Eternal God, we have sinned and fallen short of the mark, we have pulled away and charted our own course, we have searched everywhere for loving arms and caring words, but have only found confusion and discontent, we would like to change and be different and we know our limitations. God of yesterday, tomorrow, forgive our sin and make life right. Amen.

WE HEAR OF OUR HEALING

Leader: This is how God showed love for us. It is not that we love God but that God loves us and gave us the way for our sins to be forgiven.

HYMN: "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

He's got the whole world in His hands.
He's got the whole wide world in His hands.
He's got the whole world in His hands.
He's got the whole world in His hands.

He's got the wind and the rain in His hands.
He's got the sun and the moon in His hands.
He's got the wind and the rain in His hands.
He's got the whole world in His hands.

He's got you and me brother in His hands,
He's got you and me sister in His hands.

He's got everybody here in His hands.
He's got the whole world in His hands.

A Muslim Prayer for Peace

All: O Allah united our hearts and set aright our mutual affairs. Guide us in the path of peace, liberate us from darkness by Your light. Save us from enormities whether open or hidden. Bless us in our ears, eyes, hearts, and our families. Turn to us, truly You are Oft-returning, Most Merciful. Make us grateful for Your bounty and full of praise for it, so that we may continue to receive it and complete Your blessing upon us.

Scout (The Scout Law and the Koran): A Scout is Trustworthy: "O ye who believe! Fear Allah and be with the truthful. " Surat Attuba (Repentance) 9:119

Scout (The Scout Law and Judaism): A Scout is Trustworthy: "He who deals deceitfully shall not live In My house; he who speaks untruth shall not stand before My eyes." Psalm 101:7

RESPONSIVE READING: PSALM 1

Leader: Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers.

ALL: But their delight is in the Law of the Lord, and on His law they meditate day and night.

Leader: They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield fruit in its season.

ALL: Their leaves do not wither.

Leader: The wicked are not so, but they are like chaff that the wind drives away.

All: Therefore, the wicked will not stand in judgement, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

Leader: For the Lord watched over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Sacred Readings

Genesis 43:1-10 (Judah keeps his word.)

Psalm 111:7 (The trustworthiness of God's Word)

PRAYER

ALL: Give us the grace to rest from all sinful deeds and thoughts, to surrender ourselves entirely to you, and to keep our lives before you like a still lake; so that the heart of your love and grace may be reflected to those around us. May You inspire in our hearts the glow of faith and love. Amen.

DEVOTIONAL THOUGHT/TALK

HYMN: “KUM BA YAH’

**Kum Ba Yah, my Lord, Kum Ba Yah!
Kum Ba Yah, my Lord, Kum Ba Yah!
Kum Ba Yah, my Lord, Kum Ba Yah!
Oh Lord, Kum Ba Yah!**

**Come by here, my Lord, come by here,
Come by here, my Lord, come by here,
Come by here, my Lord, come by here,
Oh, Lord, come by here.**

Closing Thought on Trust

Leader: The Lord says,

“And I will bless the person

Who puts trust in me.

He is like a tree growing near a stream,

And sends out roots in the water.

It is not afraid when hot weather comes

Because the leaves stay green,

It has no worries when there is no rain

It keeps on bearing fruit” Jeremiah 17:5, 7-9

THE BLESSING

Leader: May the truth which makes us free, the hope that never dies, and the love which casts out fear, visit us and redeem us until the day when the light of truth breaks into the world and shadows of evil flee away. Let us now go from this place in peace.

ALL: AMEN.

SCOUTS WORSHIP – “A SCOUT IS LOYAL”

Theme: “A Scout is Loyal”

A Scout is LOYAL. A Scout is true to family and friends, Scout Leaders, school leaders, national and world communities (The Boy Scout Handbook)>
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Leader: “With the loyalty you show yourself to be loyal; with the blameless you show yourself to be blameless, with purity you show yourself to be pure and with the crooked you show yourself to be corrupt.” (Psalm 18:15-26)

Scout: (Scout Law and the Koran): “O ye who believe! Fear Allah and be with the truthful” *Surat Attuba (Repentance)*
9:119

Scout: (The Scout Law and Judaism): “He who deals deceitfully shall not live in My house; he who speaks untruth shall not stand before My eyes. (Psalms 101:7)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord is here!

ALL: The Lord is everywhere, including this place.

Leader: The Lord desires us to respond in love and worship!

ALL: We hear the voice of God whenever we listen.

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord our God.

ALL: We worship in song, prayer, hearing the word of God in our daily lives.

HYMN: “Beautiful Savior”

**Beautiful Savior, king of creation,
Son of God and Son of Man,
Truly I'd love Thee,
Truly I'd serve Thee,
Light of my Soul, My Joy, My Crown.**

WE CONFESS OUR WEAKNESS

Lord, you know that we have tried to lose ourselves in the crowd, since we do not want to face up to who we really are, we have tried to forget our

weaknesses and mistakes by becoming busy with so many things. We do not have peace because we try to live with our brokenness rather than repent of it. Help us to stop trying to hide from ourselves. Forgive us and guide us in finding new life in your ways and word. Amen.

We Hear of our Healing

Leader: Beloved of God, remember who you are! We are children of the light. Forever welcome in God's circle of peace. Forgiveness has come, claim it as yours. Rejoice in the light of God and renew the joy of life. Amen.

HYMN: Swing Low, Sweet Chariot"

Chorus:

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot, comin' for to carry me home!
Swing Low, Sweet Chariot, comin' for to carry me home!

**I looked over Jordan an' what did I see
Comin' for to carry me home!
A band of angels comin' after me,
Comin' for to carry me home! CHORUS**

**If you get there before I do,
Comin' for to carry me home!
Jes' tell me friends that I a'comin' too
Comin' for to carry me home. CHORUS**

**I'm sometimes up and sometimes down
Comin' for to carry me home.
But still my soul feels heavenly bound
Comin' for to carry me home. CHORUS**

RESPONSIVE READING

Leader: For God alone by soul waits in silence,

ALL: For my Hope is from God.

Leader: He alone is my rock and my salvation

ALL: My fortress, I shall not be shaken.

Leader: On God, rests my deliverance and honor.

ALL: My mighty rock, my refuge is God.

Leader: Trust in God at all times, O people: pour out your heart before Him.

All: God is a shelter for us.

Sacred Reading

I Samuel 19:1-7 (Jonathan's loyalty to David)

John 15:12-14 (Love and loyalty of a friend)

Devotional Message/Talk

Prayers

ALL: O God, we thank you that you have called us to the Scouting family. Bless all in this camp and make us loyal to our fellow Scouts and Scout leaders. Help us to keep our promises and in all things to be like God as we deal with others. Amen.

Benediction

Leader: Go out in peace.
And be of good courage,
Holding tight to that which is good,
Rejoicing in the power and wonder of God/.
ALL: AMEN.

SCOUTS WORSHIP -- "A SCOUT IS HELPFUL"

Theme: A Scout is concerned about other people. A Scout willingly volunteers to help others without expecting payment or rewards. (The Boy Scout Handbook).

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Make us one, Lord, in our eagerness to speak the good news and set all the captives free.

ALL: Give us your Spirit to make us one in worship, may we sing your praise with a unified song of praise.

Leader: Give your Spirit to makes us one.

ALL: Give us your Spirit so that we may be of one mind, that is in God.

OPENING PRAYER

ALL: God of heaven and earth, we gather to praise you for your wonderful deeds. Lord, you have created us, called and empowered us, may your name be praised. May our lives be strengthened as we shared this time of worship together. Amen.

HYMN: "AMAZING GRACE"

AMAZING GRACE HOW SWEET THE SOUND
THAT SAVED A WRETCH LIKE ME
I ONCE WAS LOST BUT NOW AM FOUND,
WAS BLIND BUT NOW I SEE.

'T WAS GRACE THAT TAUGHT MY HEART TO FEAR,
AND GRACE MY FEARS RELIEVED,
HOW PRECIOUS DID THAT GRACE APPEAR.
THE HOUR I FIRST BELIEVED.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

ALL: We believe in a personal God, who creates, sustains, and redeems life. We believe in the goodness of this creation and in the dignity of all people.

We acknowledge that we are wounded and broken; and look to God, for our healing. We believe that the way toward wholeness is to accept the truth of our lives even in its pain and brokenness.

We believe in God who calls us together to create a community where growth, healing and transformation occur. In this community we are instruments of God and minister to one another.

In praise and thanksgiving, we celebrate the power of God in life and ministry. Amen.

Sacred Readings

**Scout (The Scout Law and Judaism): “Love your fellow as yourself.”
Leviticus 19:18**

Scout (The Scout Law and the Koran): “And make between yourselves affection and mercy.” Surat Al Imran, Qur’an 3:57

**Scout reads (The Scout Law and Christianity): Matthew 20:26-28—A
Call to be Servant**

DEVOTIONAL THOUGHT TALK

PRAYER

ALL: O God, we thank you for those who give of themselves to the service of their fellow men and women. Give us a clear vision, good judgement and courage to seek to right those things that are wrong. Put within us a sense of cheerful love and service as we minister to those in need, those who are suffering, and those who need our hands of help, as servants of God. Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

**Leader: Eternal God,
Our beginning and our end.
Be our starting point and finishing point.**

And accompany us in this day's journey
Use our hands
To do the work of creation
And use our lives
To bring others new life you give this world.
All: AMEN.

SCOUTS WORSHIP – “A SCOUT IS FRIENDLY”

Theme: A Scout is a friend of all and a brother or sister to every other Scout.

“A Scout is FRIENDLY.” A Scout is a friend of all. He is a brother or sister to other Scouts and all the people of the world. A Scout seeks to understand others. A Scout respects those with ideas and customs that are different from one’s own. (The Boy Scout Handbook).

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Rejoice, people of God! Sing praise, make melodies!

ALL: Why? What cause have you for such joy?

Leader: What cause indeed! Only that God has chosen you and adopted you into His own family—as God’s own children.

ALL: That is very good news. We will rejoice and be glad!

OPENING PRAYER

ALL: God of all glory, you have been a light for your people throughout all time. You have guided us toward what is right and good, and what is required of us as we lift up our voices and hands to give You our praise. Blessed be the name of the Lord. Amen.

Hymn: “We Shall Overcome”

**We shall overcome, we shall overcome
We shall overcome someday:
Oh! Deep in my heart I do believe.
We shall overcome some day,**

- 2. We’ll walk hand in hand someday....**
- 3. The truth shall make us free....**

WE CONFESS OUR SIN

ALL: God of all creation, we have not loved You with our whole hearts. We have not loved those around us as we love ourselves. We feel that we have failed properly care for creation that is fashioned in your image. We feel the need to be a creation made in your image. Forgive our sin and create within us all, all that you intended us to be. Amen.

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WE HEAR OF OUR HEALING

Leader: People of God, we are a new creation. Our sin is forgiven and we are free to be the people of God. The old has become brand new and what was dead among us is rising to new life. New life belongs to us. People of God, we are new creations.

Sacred Readings

Scout: {Scout Law and the Koran}: “And make between yourselves affection and mercy” (Surat Mariam, Ch 19 Qur’an 21 Rum 30:21)

Scout: (Scout Law and Judaism): “Can two walk together unless they agree?” Amos 3:3

Scout (Scout Law and the New Testament) reads from John 5:14-15

Devotional Talk/Message

Prayer:

ALL: Fill us Lord, with your Spirit to love one another as you have loved us. May our love be one that see only good and is patient with others; a love that grows stronger each day and when difficulties come our way; a love that rips down the walls of prejudice, strengthen the relationship between Scouts in our patrols, troops, in our country and in the world. We ask this t he name of the one who calls friends. Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

Leader:

Go in peace,
May God Surprise you on the way,
May God be your company on life’s journey,
May God fulfill your life with purpose and joy.

ALL: AMEN.

SCOUTS WORSHIP -- "A SCOUT IS COURTEOUS"

Theme: A Scout treats others with fairness and politely.

"A Scout is COURTEOUS. A Scout is polite to everyone regardless of age or position. A Scout knows that good manners make it easier for people to get along together." (from the Boy Scout Handbook).

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God, show us kindness and bless us.

ALL: And make your face to smile on us, O Lord.

Leader: For then the Earth will recognize Your ways.

ALL: And all the nations will know your power to save.

Leader: Let the nations praise You, O God.

ALL: Let all the nations praise You.

Leader: Let the nations shout and sing for joy.

ALL: Since you, O Lord, bring true justice to the world.

Leader: May You, O God, bless all, and may You be praised.

ALL: to the ends of the earth. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

ALL: God of heaven and earth, we gather to praise you for your wonderful deeds. For you have created us, called us, and empowered us. May your name be praised and our lives be strengthened as we share this time of worship together. Amen.

HYMN: "Hallelujah!"

Hallelu, Hallelu, Hallelu, Hallelujah!

Praise Ye the Lord,

Jallelu, Hallelu, Hallelui, Hallelujah!

Praise Ye the Lord.

Praise Ye the Lord, Hallelujah!

Praise Ye the Lord, Hallelujah!

Praise Ye the Lord, Hallelujah!

Praise Ye the Lord!

CONFESSION OF OUR BROKENNESS

ALL: Lord, we confess that we have talked about love and reached

Grand conclusions but have not love others as you intended. We have shown indifference, anger and hatred. Lord, we need to be freed from behavior that separates us from you and your people. We need you to be real for us today. Amen.

WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS

Leader: Our Lord is Lord of love and mercy. God caused love to come into existence and demonstrated that love for each one of us. God's love has been given to each of us. We need not change or become indifferent to receive God's sacrificial love and acceptance. God invites us to come to him as we are! Praise God for a love that forgives and forgets. Amen.

SACRED READINGS

A Scout reads (from the Scout Law and the Koran): "And if (you) must turn away from the needy awaiting mercy from your Lord which you expect, then speak to them a gentle word." (Surat Al Isra, Qur'an 17:30)

A Scout reads (from the Scout Law and Judaism): "Honor your Father and your mother." (Exodus 20:12)

A Scout reads from the New Testament: 1 John 3:16-18 (which is about loving not only with words but with one's actions)

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE/TALK

PRAYER

ALL: O Lord, give us the grace that we may be courteous to each other, especially to those who are weaker or less able than we are. Help us to avoid any action or words that may cause pain or hurt to others. Let us not be mean or unjust in our working with others may we be ready to help others in life by being thoughtful of others. We pray this through the one who put other's care about his own. Amen.

SCOUTS WORSHIP-- "A SCOUT IS KIND"

Theme: A Scout looks to the needs of others.

A Scout is KIND. A Scout understands there is strength in being gentle. A Scout treats others as he/she wants to be treated. Without good reason, a Scout does not harm or kill living things. (The Boy Scout Handbook).

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Flame of the Spirit,

ALL: Warm our hearts to love our neighbors.

Leader: Flame of the Spirit,

ALL: Light our path that we may walk in truth.

Leader: Flame of the Spirit,

ALL: Raise in us a passion for freedom

Leader: Flame of the Spirit,

ALL: Gather us together in celebration of life in the family of God.

OPENING PRAYER

ALL: Holy and Loving God, Creator of all that is, we worship you this day. We are grateful for the many gifts you have given and continue to give us, the gift of the Scouting family. We lift our hearts and voices in praise to you, and dedicate our lives to your service. Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING: PSALM 121

Leader: I lift up my eyes to the hills—from where does my help come?

ALL: My help come from the Lord who made heaven and earth.

Leader: He will not let your foot be moved. He who keeps us will not slumber nor sleep.

ALL: He who keeps Israel neither slumbers nor sleeps.

Leader: The Lord is your keeper, the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

ALL: The Lord will watch over your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

SACRED READINGS

A Scout reads from the New Testament Matthew 14:13-14 (Jesus' concern for the 5,000

A Scout (The Scout Law and Judaism): “Do not withhold good from one who deserves it, when you have the power to do it.” Proverbs 3:27

A Scout (The Scout Law and the Koran) reads: Kind words and forgiveness are than charity followed by injury. Surat Al Isra, Qur’an 17:20

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE/TALK

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Leader: Where the Spirit of the Lord is we now declare:

ALL: We believe in God, who is infinite in wisdom, power and love, whose mercy is unending and overall and whose will is directed towards the care and salvation of humanity.

We believe in the gift of unfailing grace, the ground of all hope and the promise of deliverance from evil and death.

We believe in the presence of God in our lives. We believe in God’s help for us in the time of need. Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

Leader: May the God of Love who shared his love

Strengthen us in our love for others.

May God share his grace with us

that we might share our lives with others.

May God’s Spirit dwell within us

And empower us to care for others.

ALL: AMEN.

SCOUTS WORSHIP -- "A SCOUT IS OBEDIENT"

Theme: A Scout obeys parents, patrol leader, educators, clergy, Scoutmasters and other individuals in authority.

A Scout is obedient. A Scout follows the rules of his/her family, school, religious institutions and troop. A Scout obeys the laws of his community and country. If a Scout thinks these rules and laws are unfair. A Scout tries to have them changed in an orderly manner rather than disobey them. (from the Boy Scout Handbook)

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord and call upon His name.

ALL: Make known His deeds among the people.

Leader: Sing to Him, sing praise to Him.

ALL: And speak of all his marvelous works.

Leader: Gory in His holy name.

ALL: Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

HYMN: "JOY TO THE WORLD"

**Joy to the world! The Lord is come;
Let earth receive its King;
Let every heart prepare him room,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and heaven and nature sing.**

WE CONFESS OUR BROKENNESS

All: Lord, our spirits are dry. The well that has supplied our ambition and motivation is empty. We are tired of trying to do it alone and we acknowledge our need for you. Water of life—the spirit of truth—allow us to drink freely from your never ending supply of life, we have sinned and we are sorry; we have failed, we need forgiveness; we have searched for love, yet we remain lonely. Fountain of life, you know our needs and our shortcomings. Allow us to drink freely from your never ending supply of forgiveness, love and life. Amen.

WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS

Leader: Hear the Good News! God has not left us alone, but has surrounded

us with love through the community of believers and filled us with love until we overflow to those around us God has given us the true gift of love. Our spirits are lifted up as new life fills us and lives through us. Praise God for good news.

OPENING PRAYER (BASED ON AN AMERICAN INDIAN PRAYER)

**All: O Great Spirit, whose voice I hear in the winds,
And whose breath gives life to all the world,
Hear me! I am small and weak; I need Your
Strength and wisdom.**

**Let me walk in beauty, and make my eyes ever behold the red and
purple sunset.**

**Make my hands respect the things You have made and my ears sharp to
hear your voice.**

**Make me wise so that I may understand the things you have taught my
people.**

Let me learn lessons You have hidden in every leaf and rock.

**I seek strength not to be greater than my brother but to fight my
greatest enemy—**

**Make me always ready to come to You with clean hands and straight
eyes.**

**So when life fades, as the fading sunset, my spirit may come to You
without shame.**

Sacred Readings

A Scout (The Scout Law and Judaism): “Apply your mind to discipline and your ears to wise sayings.” Proverbs 23:12

A Scout (The Scout Law and the Koran) “And your Lord has decreed that you not worship except Him, and to parents, good treatment. Whether one or both

of them reach old age while with you, say not to them and do not repel them but speak to them a noble word.” (Sura Al Israa Qur’an 17:23)

A Scout reads from the New Testament Acts 5:27-29 (Our chief obedience is to God) and 2 Corinthians 10:3-6 (Our faith has a willing obedience to God).

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE/TALK

CLOSING PRAYER

ALL: Teach us, Lord, to give obedience to those under whose responsibilities we are placed; and when we are called to positions of leadership give us the strength to deal with the problems and difficulties that come with leadership. Give all leaders the grace to listen patiently, see things clearly, to act with wisdom and help leaders to show understanding and justice for all people. Above all, give us obedience to Your will in all things just as Christ Jesus was obedient to you. Amen.

BENEDICTION

Leader: In worship, our hope has been restored, our faith has been rekindled, and joyous, peaceful life renewed.

ALL: Amen.

SCOUTS WORSHIP -- "A SCOUT IS CHEERFUL"

Theme: A Scout is joyful and has a positive outlook on life.

A Scout is CHEERFUL. "A Scout looks for the bright side of life. A Scout cheerfully does tasks that come one's way. A Scout tries to make others happy."
(from the Boy Scout Handbook).

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord all the earth.

ALL: Worship the Lord with gladness.

Leader: Come into His presence with singing.

ALL: Enter His gates with thanksgiving.

Leader: And His courts with praise.

ALL: Give thanks to Him,

Leader: Bless His name,

ALL: For the Lord is good.

Leader: His steadfast love endures forever.

ALL: And his faithfulness flows to all generations.

PRAYER OF PRAISE

Leader: Let us pray together.

ALL: We thank you, Lord, that you did not leave us without Your blessing. You have kept a song on our lips and joy in our hearts. We rejoice in a living God and offer our lives today in faithful service to You. We ask this in our Lord's name. Amen.

HYMN: "I'VE GOT THAT JOY"

**I'VE GOT THAT JOY, JOY, JOY, JOY,
DOWN IN MY HEART,
DOWN IN MY HEART,
DOWN IN MY HEART,
I'VE GOT THAT JOY, JOY, JOY, JOY
DOWN IN MY HEART,
DOWN IN MY HEART TODAY.**

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE/TALK

SACRED READINGS

A Scout reads from the New Testament Philippians 4:4-7 (Joy in Christ)

A Scout reads (from The Scout Law and the Koran) “The good word is an act of kindness.” (Hadith Bukhart) “Abu harr reported: Allah’s Apostle (Peace be upon him) said to me: Don’t consider anything insignificant out of good things if it is that you meet your brother with a cheerful countenance.” (Hadith Saheeh Muslim #6359)

A Scout (reads from The Scout Law and Judaism) “A Joyful heart makes for good health.” Probers17:22 and from Isaiah 35:20 (The joy of the redeemed).

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

ALL: We believe in God, who is like a good father, near to us and strong to help us.

We believe in Jesus Christ in who we see God in the flesh and for us He is the way, the truth and the life.

We believe in God the Spirit, whose life is in us and who give us new life and healing strength for our spirits.

We believe hope is a power to fill the present and the future with deep meaning.

We believe faith active in love will be made real in practical means within our lives. Amen.

CLOSING PRAYER

Leader: Lord, give us the spirit of cheerfulness that makes difficulties easier to deal with. May we find opportunities to bring joy to others. May we be ready to give praise where praise is needed. May we encourage our fellow Scouts in all that they do. May we willingly give a hand to those who need help. Give us a joy in serving others, just as you served us.

ALL: Amen.

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Leader: Now may the great Scoutmaster of all Scout be with us until we meet again.

ALL: Amen.

SCOUTS WORSHIP – “A SCOUT IS THRIFTY”

Theme: A Scout is a good steward of those things given to them.

A Scout is THRIFTY. “A Scout works to pay his/her own way and to help others. A Scout saves for the future. A Scout protects and conserves natural resources. A Scout carefully uses time and property. “(from the Boy Scout Handbook).
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Leader: Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song. His praise is heard in the assembly of the faithful. Praise Him, all his angels! Praise Him, sun and moon. Praise Him, all you shining stars! Let all praise the name of the Lord!

RESPONSIVE READING

Leader: Come to the Lord.

ALL: Who are afraid and weary.

Leader: All who are tired and worn,

ALL: All who need the love of God in their lives this day.

Leader: Come to the Lord.

ALL: You servants of God, come and worship this day.

Hymn: “He’s God the Whole World in His Hands”

He’s got the whole world in His hands,
He’s got the whole wide world in His hands,
He’s got the whole world in His hands,
He’s got the whole world in His hands.

He’s got the wind and the rain in His hands,
He’s got the sun and the moon in His hands,
He’s got the wind and the rain in His hands,
He’s got the whole world in His hands

He’s got everybody here in His hands,
He’s got everything here in His hands
He’s got everybody here in His hands
He’s got the whole world in His hands.

WE CONFESS OUR BROKENNESS

Leader: Let us humbly confess our brokenness to God.

ALL: We come before you, O God, our creator, remembering the shortcomings we have in life, needing your forgiveness and your life giving Spirit. Our human nature pulls us away from you, we have drifted far from You. We have charted our own pathways and have found only frustration. O God, hear us as we confess the brokenness and sin we have known in our lives.

A TIME FOR INDIVIDUAL SILEN PRAYER AND REFLECTION

DECLARATION OF PARDON AND FORGIVENESS

Leader: God's promise is our promise: that sin is forgiven through his death on the cross. We belong to God and live in a new relationship everyday with God and the human family.

SACRED READINGS

A Scout reads (from the Scout Law and Judaism): "Precious treasure and oil Are in the house of the wise man, and a fool of a man, will run through them." Proverbs 21:20 and Genesis 1:26-32

A Scout reads from the New Testament: Philippians 4:10-13 (satisfaction with what the Lord gives us) and John 5:1-13 (Feeding of the 5,000).

A Scout reads (from the Scout Law and the Koran): "And [they are] those who, when they spend, do so not excessively, or sparingly but are ever, between that, [justly] moderate." (Surat Al Furqan Qur'an 25:67)

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE/TALK

CLOSING PRAYER

Leader: In the midst of a miracle you commanded the disciples to gather up the leftover pieces so that nothing would be wasted. Make us simple in our need through our bountiful and giving God.

ALL: AMEN.

THE BENEDICTION

Leader: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

ALL: AMEN.

SCOUTS WORSHIP -- "A SCOUT IS BRAVE"

Theme: A Scout stands up for what he or she believes.

A Scout is BRAVE. "a Scout can face danger even if one is afraid. A Scout has the courage to stand for what one thinks is right even if other laugh or threaten that Scout (from the Boy Scout Handbook).
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Leader: Blessed are the pure in heart. For they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad for your reward is great in heaven." (from Matthew 5:8-12a).

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: WE have come to worship in spirit and truth,

ALL: God lives! God is with us! Celebrate!

Leader: We have come to hear the story of Jesus and His love!

ALL: We have come to share in God's moving in this worship time and in the hearing of God's Word.

Hymn: "When the Saints Go Marching In

**Oh, when the saints go marching in,
Oh, when the saints go marching in,
Lord, I want to be in that number,
When the saints go marching in.**

**And when the sun begins to shine,
And when the sun begins to shine,
Lord, I want to be in that number,
When the sun begins to shine.**

WE CONFESS OUR BROKENNESS

ALL: We come in humble confession today, gracious Lord, regarding out failure to trust and follow You. You have invited us into your discipleship and fellowship. You have shown us a way that is good and true. Your way is the way of love and hope. Yet we turn to ourselves for all the answers, at times

we wander into error or go down the wrong pathway. Forgive our unwise ways that lead us away from deeper trust and discipleship. Amen.

WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: hear the Good News of how God has shown us how much He loves us. It was while we were yet sinners that Christ died for us. By Jesus' death on the cross we have been justified and reconciled to God and our sin is forgiven. Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING (based on Psalm 27)

Leader: The Lord is my light and my salvation,

ALL: Whom shall I fear?

Leader: The Lord is the stronghold of my life,

ALL: Of whom shall I be afraid?

Leader: One thing have I asked of the Lord.

ALL: That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all my life.

Leader: To behold the beauty of the Lord.

ALL: For the Lord will hide me in his shelter

Leader: In the day of trouble.

ALL: The Lord will conceal me under the cover of his tent.

Leader: The Lord will set me high upon a rock.

ALL: And I will be lifted above my enemies all around me.

Leader; I will offer words of joy in the house of the Lord.

ALL: I will sing and praise the Lord.

Leader: Wait for the Lord.

ALL: Be strong, and let your heart take courage as you wait for the Lord.

SACRED READINGS

A SCOUT READS (from the Scout Law and the Koran) “And those who are patient, seeking the countenance of their Lord, and establish prayer and spend from that We have provided for them secretly and publicly and prevent evil with good—those will have the good consequence of [this] home. (Surat Araad Qur’an 13:22)

A Scout reads read from the New Testament book of Matthew 14:22-33
(Jesus and Peter walk on water)

A Scout reads (for the Scout Law and Judaism): “Be strong and of good courage.”

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE/TALK

PRAYER

ALL: Lord God, guide our minds, fill our imaginations, control our wills, give us the courage to stand by our convictions. Use us as you will, but always to your glory and for the good of our fellow Scouts, Scouters and the human family. Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

Leader: Go forth in peace,
And be of good courage,
Hold to those things that are good,
Rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

ALL: AMEN.

SCOUTS WORSHIP -- "A SCOUT IS CLEAN"

Theme: A Scout is clean in thought, word and deed.

A Scout is CLEAN. A Scout keeps body and mind fit and clean. A Scout chooses the company of those who live by these same ideals. A Scout helps keep his/her home and community clean (from the Boy Scout Handbook).

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OPENING PRAYER

Leader: Gracious God, You know our innermost thoughts, desires and secrets of our hearts. Help us to keep our thoughts, bodies and actions pure, Lord, you know how hard the struggle is and how helpless we are without your help to bring our thoughts and actions together. And in time when we are tempted to stray away from your ways, give us the strength to win the victory over temptation and evil.

ALL: AMEN.

HYMN: SCOUT VERSION OF KUM BA YAH!

**A Scout is trustworthy Lord, Kum Ba Yah!
A Scout is loyal, Lord, Kum Ba Yah!
A Scout is helpful, Lord, Kum Ba Yah!
O Lord, Kum Ba Yah!**

**A Scout is Friendly, Lord, Kum Ba Yah!
A Scout is Courteous, Lord, Kum Ba Yah!
A Scout is Kind, Lord, Kum Ba Yah!
O Lord, Kum Ba Yah!**

**A Scout is Obedient, Lord, Kum Ba Yah!
A Scout is Cheerful, Lord, Kum Ba Yah!
A Scout is Thrifty, Lord, Kum Ba Yah!
O Lord, Kum Ba Yah!**

**A Scout is Brave, Lord, Kum Ba Yah!
A Scout is Clean, Lord, Kum Ba Yah!
A Scout is Reverent, Lord, Kum Ba Yah!
O Lord, Kum Ba Yah!**

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray together the Lord’s Prayer

**ALL: OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN,
HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME,
YOUR KINGDOM COME,
YOUR WILL BE DONE,
ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN,
GIVE US TODAY OUR DAILY BREAD,
FORGIVE US OUR SINS,
AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO SIN AGAINST US.
SAVE US FROM THE TIME OF TRIAL.
AND DELIVER US FROM EVIL.
FOR THE KINGDOM, THE POWER
AND THE GLORY ARE YOURS,
NOW AND FOREVER. AMEN.**

SACRED READINGS

A Scout reads (from the Scout Law and Judaism) “Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord? Who may stand in His holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart.” Psalm 24:3-4

A Scout reads (from the Scout Law and the Koran) “O you who have believed, when you rise to {perform} prayer, wash your faces and your forearms to the elbows and wipe over your heads and wash your feet to the ankles. And if you are in a state of janabah, then purify yourselves. (Surat Almaida, Qur’an 5:6)

A Scout reads from the New Testament book of Matthew 15:1-20 [What shows one’s positive character and that virtue comes from the heart.”]

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE/TALK

THE BENEDICITON

Leader: The Lord bless you and keep you,
The Lord makes His face shine on you
And be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor
And give you peace.

ALL: Amen.

SCOUTS WORSHIP -- A SCOUT IS REVERENT”

Theme: A Scout is worshipful toward God.

A Scout is REVERENT. A Scout is reverent toward God. A Scout is faithful in one’s religious duties. A Scout respects the beliefs of others. (from the Boy Scout Handbook).

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Hymn: “Amazing Grace”

**Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now am found,
Was blind but now I see.**

OPENING PRAYER

ALL: Thank you God, for your love. Thank you God, for your grace, when I am weak and you are strong. When I am hurt, you are the healing power for my wounds, your love is always plenty for my every need. Thank you for offering new ways for the renewing my soul. I give you my praise for showing me the door of life. I ask for continued strength and guidance as I seek to live a life of thanks to you. Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING

Leader: Praise the Lord!

ALL: Praise the name of the Lord.

Leader: Give praise, O servants of the Lord

ALL: We stand in the house of the Lord.

Leader: In the courts of the house of our God.

ALL: Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good.

Leader: Sing to His name, for He is gracious. For I know the Lord is great.

ALL: Our Lord is above all gods and a great King above all kings.

WE CONFESS OUR BROKENNESS

ALL: Eternal God, we pray that you will listen as we confess our failures in love and friendship. We have talked about such things as caring, community and concern but instead have shown anger, hostility and greed. We have talked about kindness, forgiveness and gentleness,

but have shown hatred, spite, and selfishness. Forgive the sins of our fallen condition as well as the sins we dare not name, we ask this in the name of Christ who died that we might be forgiven. Amen.

WE HEAR OF OUR HEALING

Leader: This is how God showered his love, grace and forgiveness upon us. God have his Son to be the means by which our sins are forgiven. Amen.

SACRED READINGS

A Scout reads from the New Testament book of Ephesians 2:1-10 (God's gift of life and salvation)

A Scout reads (from the Scout Law and Judaism): "He has told you O man, what is good and what the Lord requires of you: only to do justice and to love goodness and to walk humbly with your God." Micah 6:8

A Scout reads (from the Scout Law and the Koran: "Say, I commanded that I worship God, and be faithful to him. I ordered to be the first Muslim." (Aurat Azzuimar 12)

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE/TALK

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Leader: We believe in God and to God deeds we testify:

ALL: God calls the universe into being and creates humanity in His own image, and God sets before Him the ways of life and death. God seeks in holy love to save all people from sin and evil. In Jesus Christ, He came to us and shared our life, conquering sin and death and reconciling the world to himself. God sends His spirit upon us and calls us to discipleship in the service of humanity.

CLOSING PRAYER

ALL: LORD, MAY YOUR NAME BE PRECIOUS TO US. MAY YOUR AUTHORITY RULE THE EARTH AS IT DOES HEAVEN AND SWIFTLY BRING YOUR KINGDOM HERE. PROVIDE FOR US OUR DAILY NEEDS. FORGIVE US ALL THAT WE HAVE DONE AGAINST YOU, IN AS MUCH AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO HAVE WRONGED

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**US. HELP US TO SATAY CLEAR OF THE THINGS THAT MAKE US SIN
AND THE EVIL THAT LIES BEHIND THEM. AMEN.**

THE BENEDICTION

Leader: Go in peace,
And may God surprise you on your way,
May God be your company,
And the Spirit of God life up your life.
ALL: AMEN.

SCOUTS WORSHIP -- "BE PREPARED"

Theme: A Scout is ready for all situations.

Be PREPARED. "Be prepared for life—to live happily and without regret, knowing that you have done your best. That is what the Scout motto means." (from the Boy Scout Handbook).

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HYMN: "A Scout Prayer"

Tune: "O Christmas Tree"

**Lord, is this morning hour, I pray
For strength to do my best each day.
Draw near to me that I may see
The kind of Scout that I should be.**

**In serving others, let me see
That I am only serving thee.
Bless me, Lord, in thy great love.
That I may serve thee with a heart of love.**

OPENING PRAYER

ALL: Lord of all glory, you have been a bright light for your people for all time. You have guided us, comforted us and strengthened us. You have shown us what is right, what is good and what is required of us. We lift our voices and hands to give you our praise, blessed be the name of the Lord. Amen.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Leader: God has made us His people since the dawn of creation. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

ALL: I believe in God, the creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and buried, he descended into Hell on the third day He rose. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the creator. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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I believe in the Holy Spirit, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

SACRED READINGS

A Scout reads from the Qur'an 1:1-7—"In the name of God, Most Gracious, Most Merciful. Praise be to God, the Cherisher and Sustainer of the worlds. Most Gracious, Most Merciful, Master of the Day of Judgment. You do we worship, and Your aid we seek. Show us the straight way. The way of those on whom You have bestowed Your grace, those who earn not Your anger and who go not astray."

A Scout reads Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills,
From where will my help come?
My help come from the Lord,
The maker of heaven and earth.
He will not let your foot give way;
Your guardian will not slumber.
See the guardian of Israel
Neither slumbers nor sleeps!
The Lord is your guardian,
The Lord is your protection.
At your right hand
By day the sun will not strike you,
Nor the moon by night.
The Lord will guard you from all harm,
He will guard your life.
The Lord will guard your going out and coming in,
Now and forevermore.

A Scout will read from the New Testament book of Hebrews 10:22-25

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE/TALK

THE BENEDICTION

Leader: Let us bless the Lord

ALL: THANKS BE TO GOD.

Leader: The Lord almighty order our days and deeds in his peace.

ALL: AMEN!

SCOUTS WORSHIP -- "DO A GOOD TURN DAILY"

Theme: **Do a Good Turn Daily.** A Scout is a person who is a servant to others and ready to show that servanthood at all times.

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Leader: Lord God, we worship you; we praise you for your mighty acts among your people.

ALL: Glory to God in the highest and peace to all people on earth. Amen.

HYMN: "JOYFUL, JOYFUL WE ADORE THEE

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee.
God of glory; Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee.
Opening to the sun above
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day!

RESPONSIVE READING

Leader: Have you not known? Have you not heard?

ALL: The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

Leader: He does not faint or grow weary, his understanding is unsearchable.

ALL: He gives power to the faint.

Leader: And strengthens the powerless.

ALL: Even youths will faint and be weary.

Leader: And the young will fall exhausted.

ALL: But those who wait for the Lord, shall renew their strength.

Leader: They shall mount up with wings like eagles.

ALL: They shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Leader: Teach me Lord,

ALL: Teach me Lord, to wait.

SACRED READINGS

A Scout reads from the New Testament book of Matthew 25:11-46 (Meeting the needs of the “least of these.”)

A Scout reads from the Koran: “Let there be from among you, a group of believers who call to what is good and will prohibit evil. (Qur’an 3:104)

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE/TALK

CLOSING PRAYER

ALL: We thank you, Lord, that you are with us today. We ask that you keep us safe. Make us more aware of the wonder and beauty you give to us in the outdoors, use us to support our fellow Scouts and Scouters as we work, serve and play in troop activities as we camp and gather for meaning events. Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

Leader: Go forth in the power of the Spirit of God. Proclaim the good news through the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness, with deeds of justice and mercy!

ALL: We are sent in the name and power of God!

Leader: Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of God.

ALL: Amen! Thanks be to God!

SCOUTS WORSHIP

“TO DO MY DUTY TO GOD”

Theme: A Scout’s duty is to serve God in words and actions.

“TO DO MY DUTY TO GOD. Your family and religious leaders teach you to know and to love God and the ways in which God can be served. As a Scout, you do your duty to God by following the wisdom of these teaching in your daily life and by respecting the rights of others to have their own religious beliefs.” (from the Boy Scout Handbook, Page550)

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,

ALL: Great are the works of the Lord;

Leader: Full of honor and majesty is God’s work and God’s righteousness which endures forever.

OPENING PRAYER

ALL: O God, we lift up our hearts in gratitude this day for the joy of living; for all the sights and sounds around us; for family, friends and fellowship; for tasks to do and the skill and strength to do them in God’s name we pray. Amen.

HYMN: BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC

**Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
He has loosed the faithful lightening of his terrible swift sword;
His truth is marching on,**

CHORUS:

**Glory, glory Hallelujah! Glory, glory, Hallelujah!
Glory, glory Hallelujah! His truth is marching on!**

**In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea.
With a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me;
As he died to make men holy; let us die to make men free,
While God is marching on. CHORUS.**

SCOUT LITANY

A Scout: A Scout's honor is to be trusted.

Leader: We pray for honesty, Lord, that we may be known as trustworthy people.

ALL: MAKE US GOOD SCOUTS, LORD.

A Scout: A Scout is loyal to one's country, fellow Scouts and Scouters', to family and to those who are responsible to that Scout.

Leader: We pray Lord, that no untrue thing or event may change our loyalties.

ALL: MAKE US GOOD SCOUTS, LORD.

A Scout: A Scout's duty is to be useful and helpful to others.

Leader: We pray Lord, for strength and courage, to serve humanity just as Jesus served others. May we master the virtue of helpfulness.

ALL: MAKE US GOOD SCOUTS, LORD.

A Scout: Lord, we pray for friendly hearts, that neither class nor color may blind. May we not be blind to the claims of brotherhood.

ALL: MAKE US GOOD SCOUTS, LORD.

A Scout: A Scout is courteous.

Leader: Lord, we ask for simple courtesy, that being strong we lift up the weak.

ALL: MAKE US GOOD SCOUTS, LORD.

A Scout: A Scout is friendly.

Leader: Lord, we ask that we might reach out to all people with a kind and friendly attitude.

ALL: MAKE US GOOD SCOUTS, LORD.

A Scout: A Scout obeys parents, those in authority, and Scout Leaders.

Leader: The Lord us a desire to willingly obey those placed in loving and caring authority over us.

ALL: MAKE US GOOD SCOUTS, LORD.

A Scout: A Scout is cheerful in all circumstances.

Leader: We pray for joyful humor that lifts us up as we face the difficulties of life.

ALL: MAKE US GOOD SCOUTS, LORD.

A Scout: A Scout is thrifty.

Leader: Lord, may we be thankful for the gifts you have given to us, especially the things that we need for life—food, water, shelter, air. May we use these gifts in a responsible manner.

ALL: MAKE US GOOD SCOUTS, LORD.

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A Scout: A Scout is clean in thought, word and deed.

Leader: We pray Lord, for Your presence in our hearts, that the things which distract us from You may fall away from us.

ALL: MAKE US GOOD SCOUTS, LORD.

Leader: Our Scout Law is founded like a house built upon solid rock. It is rooted in principles that are found in the sacred scriptures. Let us then renew our principles in the Scout Oath.

ALL SCOUTS AND SCOUTERS: (MAKE THE SCOUT SIGN AND REPEAT THE SCOUT OATH WITH THE LEADER)

ON MY HONOR I WILL DO MY BEST.

TO DO MY DUTY TO GOD AND MY COUNTRY,

TO OBEY THE SCOUT LAW,

TO HELP OTHER PEOPLE AT ALL TIMES,

TO KEEP MYSELF, PHYSICALLY STRONG,

MENTALLY AWAKE AND MORALLY STRAIGHT.

SACRED READINGS

A Scout reads from the New Testament book of Galatians 5:22-6:2

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE/TALK

PRAYER

ALL: Teach us, Lord, to serve you, to give and not count the cost; to work and not seek out rest; to work and not to ask for a reward, except the one of know that we are doing your will; we ask this in your holy name.

Amen.

BENEDICTON

Leader: As you go on your way, may God go with you,

Before you to show you the way,

Behind you to encourage you,

Beside you to befriend you,

Above you to watch over you,

And within you to give you peace.

ALL: AMEN.

SCOUTS WORSHIP -- SCOUT VESPERS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the presence of a God whose word has called the earth into being.

ALL: WE STAND IN AWE.

Leader: In the presence of a God whose arms have held children.

ALL: WE STAND IN TRUST.

Leader: In the presence of a God whose breath has stirred within us and cause our hearts to thirst for Him and others.

ALL: WE STAND IN NEED.

Leader: Before God, the Giver of Life, we come in faith, in search of love, fulfillment and wholeness.

ALL: BE WITH US, HEAR US, AS WE LIFT UP OUR VOICES IN PRAISE OF OUR LORD. AMEN.

Hymn: "Scout Vespers"

(Tune: "O Christmas Tree")

Softly falls the light of day
As our campfire fades away.
Silently each Scout should ask:
"Have I done my daily task"
Have I kept my honor bright?
Can I guiltless sleep tonight?
Have I done and have I dared
Everything to be prepared?"

RESPONSIVE READING

Leader: The Lord almighty, give us a quiet night and peace at the end of the day.

ALL: AMEN.

Leader: It is good to give thanks to the Lord.

ALL: To sing praise to your name.

Leader: To announce your love in the morning.

ALL: And your truth at the end of the day.

WE CONFESS OUR BROKENNESS

ALL: O Lord, I confess that I have sinned against you this day, some of my sin I know—the thoughts, words and deeds of which I am

ashamed—but some is known only to You. I ask for forgiveness and that you deliver and restore m, that I may rest this night in peace.

WE HEAR OF OUR HEALING

Leader: By the mercy of God we are forgiven. We rest now in God's peace and rise in the morning to serve Him.

ALL: AMEN

SACRED READINGS

Scouts read from the New Testament Books of Romans 8:38-39 (The Love of God) and 1 Peter 5:6-9a (Caring for God's People).

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE/TALK

PRAYER

Leader: Eternal God, we give you thanks for the day, especially for the good we were permitted to give and to receive this day; the day is now past and we give it over to you. We put ourselves into your hands to keep us safe through the night; for you are our help and you constantly watch over us.

ALL; Heavenly Father, may your name be precious to us, may your authority rule over the earth as it does in heaven. Provide for us in our daily needs. Please forgive us for that which we have done against you, in as much as we forgive those who have wronged us. Help us to stay clear of the things that make us sin and keep us away from evil that lies behind sin; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

(Sung to the Tune of "TAPS"/nigh is old English for near)

ALL:

**DAY IS DONE, GONE THE SUN
FROM THE LAKE, FROM THE HILLS,
FROM THE SKY
ALL IS WELL, SAFELY REST,
GOD IS NIGH.**

SCOUTS WORSHIP

JEWISH-CHRISTIAN INTERFAITH SERVICE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God show kindness and bless us.

ALL: AND MAKE YOUR FACE TO SHINE UPON US!

Leader: For the earth will acknowledge your ways.

ALL: AND ALL THE NATIONS KNOW YOUR POWER TO SAVE.

Leader: Let the nations praise you, O God.

ALL: LET ALL THE NATIONS PRAISE YOU.

Leader: Let the nation shout and sing for joy.

ALL: SINCE YOU BRING TRUE JUSTICE TO THE WORLD.

Leader: May God bless us and let God be held in awe,

ALL: TO THE VERY ENDS OF THE EARTH.

OPENING PRAYER:

ALL: WE GATHER IN THIS PLACE, O LORD, TO PREPARE OUR HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP. HELP US TO CLEAR OUR THOUGHTS OF WORLDLY CARES AND CONCERNS, SO THAT WE MAY PLAN FOR YOUR COMING INTO OUR LIVES WITH THE DAILY RUSH AND PRESSURE OF TIME AND SCHEDULES, HELP US TO PREPARE FOR THE DAY WITH ANTICIPATION AND NOT FEAR. SPEAK TO US TODAY THROUGH THIS TIME OF WORSHIP. AMEN.

Hymn: "For the Beauty of the Earth"

**FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH
FOR THE GLORY OF THE SKIES,
FOR THE LOVE WHICH FROM OUR BIRTH,
OVER AND AROUND US LIES:
LORD OF ALL TO THEE WE RAISE,
THIS OUR HYMN OF GRATEFUL PRAISE.**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Deuteronomy 6:4-9 (The Great Commandment)

Isaiah 40:28-31 (Strength given to humanity by God).

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE/TALK

RESPONSIVE READING

Leader: How very good and pleasant and good when brothers and sisters live together in unity!

ALL: It is like the precious oil on the head, running down the beard of Aaron.

Leader: Running down over the collar of his robes,

ALL: IT IS LIKE THE DEW OF MOUNT HERMON,

Leader: which falls on the mountains of Zion,

ALL: FOR THERE THE LORD ORDAINED HIS BLESSING TO HIS PEOPLE WHICH IS LIFE FOREVERMORE. (Based on Psalm 133)

PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray for ourselves in our worship that our eyes may not be upon each other nor upon our differences.

ALL: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Leader: Let us pray that we may be saved from worshipping any hope, no matter how glorious. Let us pray that we may be saved from all forms of idolatry, that we may be saved from all forms of idolatry, that we may be free to worship the Lord our God.

ALL: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Leader: Let us pray for the youth of the world, that they may be used to bring peace and understanding to a world tired of war, crisis and people talking by one another.

ALL: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Leader: Let us pray for ourselves that we may be given a vision of the world in all its need, and be so inspired by God that we may serve the world with grace and compassion and so love the truth and live out the truth that God has given humanity.

ALL: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Leader: Let us pray for our troops, patrols, Scout leaders, the family of Scouting throughout the world and our families.

ALL: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER. AMEN.

BENEDICTION

Leader: The Lord bless and keep you,
The Lord make his face to shine upon you.
And give you peace.

ALL: AMEN.

SCOUTS WORSHIP

A SERVICE FOR CARING FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

Leader: "The heavens are telling the glory of God; and firmament proclaims His handiwork. Day to day pours forth speech and night to night declares knowledge. There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard; yet their voice goes through all the earth and their words go to the ends of the earth." (Psalm 11:1-4)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Praise the Lord!

ALL: Praise God in his sanctuary; praise God in His firmament!

Leader: Praise Him for His mighty deeds: praise Him according to His exceeding greatness!

ALL: Praise Him with trumpet sound,

Leader: Praise Him with lute and harp!

ALL: Let everything that breathes praise the Lord. Praise the Lord!
(Base on Psalm 150)

WE CONFESS OUR BROKENNESS

Leader: "If my people which are called by my name, shall humble themselves and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked way, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." (2 Chronicles 7:14).

ALL: Hear my prayer of confession, almighty God, for I failed to express my love for you in the ways I treat your creation: I have consumed but have failed to help replace what I have used. In my eagerness to be happy, I have failed to remember that true happiness is worshipping and glorifying you. As I offer my prayer of confession, Lord, help me to remember that true confession leads to a changed life, one that is lived out in the light of faith. Amen.

WE HEAR OF OUR HEALING

Leader: Hear the Good News. God was in Christ reconciling the world to God, no longer holding our misdeeds toward others and the environment. Friends, believe the Good News! In Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

HYMN: "This is My Father's World"

This Is My Father's world,

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**And to his listening ears,
All nature sings and round me rings,
The music of the sphere
This is my father's world
I rest me I thoughts
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;
His hand the wonders wrought.**

SACRED SCRIPTURE

**GENESIS 12:26-31 (Creation of humanity and caring for the Earth)
PSALM 8:1-9 (God's majesty and human dignity)**

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE/TALK

PRAYER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

Leader: God you have given us the land, the water, the air and all the rich gifts which they produce. Forgive us when we misuse the environment. Forgive us when we use soil unwisely. Use us to restore those parts of the environment that have been misused. Help us to use Your creation with wisdom and care. Amen.

REFLECTION ON THE ENVIROMENT

A Scout: "The Lord spoke to Moses on Mount Sinai and commanded him to give the following instructions to the people of Israel: When enter the land that the Lord is giving you, you shall honor the Lord, by not cultivating the land every seventh year. You shall plant your fields, prune your vineyards and gather your crops for six years. But the seventh year is to be a year of complete rest for the land, a year dedicated to the Lord. (Leviticus 25:1-4)

Leader: Look at the land around you. What do you see that tells you that people have cared for it? What do you see that tells you, people have not cared for the land? Think about how God is honored when people take care of the land and other resources.

**A Scout: What beauty abounds here on God's green earth!
And who can begin to measure its worth?
What a price do we give a sunset, a blossom-filled spring;
A moonlit lake, a butterfly wing?**

**God gave us all these and so much more;
There are beautiful harvests, too much to store.
All this God meant for us to treasure.
How fortunate we are, enriched beyond measure!**

**But there is a danger we might forget
That for all this beauty we do owe a debt.
For as God gave His world to share,
God also committed it to our care.**

**When God made the Earth, before it God stood.
God looked His work over and said: “It is good.”
Do you wonder sometimes what God has to say?
When God looks down upon the world today?**

**Humanity’s obsessions have upset nature’s balance.
Today costly mistakes are taxing our talents.
We must not forget Earth is not ours alone;
That we are not only mortal and soon will be gone.**

**We each have a duty to God our Creator
To protect earth’s resources for those who come later.
Yes, it is time our commitment went even deeper,
If we are to be our brother and sister’s keeper.**

Consider our commitment, consider it well.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

**ALL: OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN, HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME,
YOUR KINGDOM COME, YOUR WILL BE DONE,
ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN,
GIVE US TODAY OUR DAILY BREAD,
FORGIVE US OUR SINS**

**AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO SIN AGAINST US.
SAVE US FROM THE TIME OF TRIAL,
AND DELIVER US FROM EVIL.**

**FOR THE KINGDOM, THE POWER AND THE GLORY ARE
YOURS, NOW AND FOREVER. AMEN.**

THE BENEDICTION

Leader: Eternal God,

Our beginning and our end.

Be our starting and ending point,

Accompany us in today's journey,

Use our hands to do the work of creation,

And use our lives to bring others the new life you give to this world.

ALL: AMEN.

**SCOUTS WORSHIP --
“GOD WALKS WITH YOU TODAY”**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This is the day that Lord has made.

ALL: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

HYMN: “Praise and Thanksgiving”

(Tune: Morning Has Broken”

Praise and thanksgiving, Father we offer
For all things living, created good:
Harvest of sown fields, fruits of orchard,
Hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.

Bless Lord the labor, we bring to serve You,
That with our labor, we may be fed.
Sowing or tilling we would work with You.
Harvesting, milling; for daily bread.

SACRED READINGS

Psalm 150 (Give God Praise)

Philippians 4:4 (Joy comes from God)

RESPONSIVE READING

Leader: O Lord, I cry to you for help.

ALL: In the morning my prayer comes before you,

Leader: Give me the joy of your saving help again.

ALL: And sustain me with Your spirit.

Leader: Let my mouth be full of your praise.

ALL: And your glory all day long.

Leader: Every day I will praise you.

ALL: And praise your name forever and ever.

Leader: Awesome things will You show us.

**ALL: O God of our salvation, O Hope of all the ends of the earth and of
the seas far away.**

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

ALL: And all that is within me, bless his holy name.

Leader: Lord, hear my prayer,

ALL: And let my cry and praise come before you.

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE/TALK

HYMN: “AMAZING GRACE”

**Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
That save a wretch like me,
I once was lost but now am found,
Was blind but now I see.**

**‘Twas grace that taught my heart to sing,
And grace my fears relieved:
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.**

PRAYER

ALL: We thank you, Lord, that you are with us today. We pray that you will keep us safe and close to you. Give us patience with one another. Give us the will and the skill to work together in service with those who are around us. Help us to wake up to the wonder and beauty of the world. Give us the power to live up to Your calling for us to be servants. Give us the strength and ability to live up to the Scout Law every day of our lives. Amen.

BENEDICTION

Leader: As you go on your way, may God go with you,
Before you to show you the way,
Behind you to encourage you,
Beside you to befriend you,
Above you to watch over you,
And within you to give you peace.

ALL: AMEN.

SCOUTS WORSHIP -- A CALL TO SERVE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let all who have gathered in this place, hear the Lord's call to serve.

ALL: Is there greatness to be achieved in the service of the Lord?

Leader: Yes, but the rewards are eternal not just of this world.

ALL: Must we work long and hard serving others to receive God's blessing?

Leader: To serve God one must be willing to be servant of all. Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying:

ALL: Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?

Leader: And I said:

ALL: "Here I am! Send me!"

OPENING HYMN: "Make Me A Servant"

**Make me a servant, humble and meek,
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.
And may the prayer of my heart always be;
Make me a servant, make me a servant,
Make me a servant today.**

OPENING PRAYER

ALL: Lord God, as we meet at this place, we know that you are here with us. May we do those things which will be pleasing to you, may we serve our patrols, troops, districts, lodges, our communities and church from where we have come, when we fail forgive us and help us to start again in the way You would have us go. Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING: "ON MY HONOR"

ALL: On my Honor

Leader: Almighty God, keep us aware that our honor is to be cherished as dearly as life itself. Give us purpose and integrity that will enable us to fulfill those responsibilities given to us and keep us aware of the trust that others have placed in us as Scouts.

ALL: To do my duty to God.

Leader: Creator of the universe, we often forget the source of our joy and strength. Often we fail to remember the origins of our inward strength which makes us aware of Your presence in our lives. Help us to understand the rewards of service in your name.

ALL: And to my country

Leader: We thank you, gracious God, for the privilege of living in a country that has tremendous freedom. Remind us that the freedoms we enjoy were bought with the sacrifice of those who have gone before us. The strength of a country is its people, so let us never avoid our responsibility of maintain this nation as a light of hope and freedom for all humanity.

ALL: And to obey the Scout Law.

Leader: O god, accept our thanks for the vision and leadership of Robert Baden-Powell. Keep before us the principles that the founders of Scouting gave to us. Give us the courage to live by these principles. May our actions be examples other choose to follow.

ALL: To help other people at all times.

Leader: Forgive us Lord, when we place our wants and desires above the needs of others. Help us to recognize others. Prepare us for the day's task of helping other.

ALL: To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight.

Leader: god our ancestors, let us never forget that our bodies and minds are gifts from You. Help us to use them to strengthen the world around us. May our thoughts be pure and honorable.

ALL: Amen.

SCARED READING

Micah 6:6-8

Reader: "With what shall I come before the Lord and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings; with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams; with ten thousand rivers of oil? Shall I give my first born for my transgressions, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? He has told you: O mortal, what is good and what does the Lord require of you? But to do justice and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God."

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE/TALK

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**ALL: Our Father, who are in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name,**

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**Thy Kingdom come,
Thy Will be done,
On Earth as is in Heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive our sins
As we forgive those who sin against us.
Lade us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory,
Forever and ever. Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN: “Scout Vespers”
(Tune: “O Christmas Tree”)**

**Softly fall the night of day
As our campfire fades away
Silently each Scout should ask
“Have I done my daily task?”
Have I kept my honor bright?
Can I guiltless sleep tonight?
Have I done and have I dared
Everything to be prepared?”**

BENEDICTION

**Leader: As you go on your way, may God go with you?
Before you to show you the way
Behind you to encourage you,
Beside you to befriend you,
Above you to watch over you,
And within you to give you peace.
ALL: AMEN.**

SCOUTS WORSHIP -- "PRAISE THE LORD"

GREETING

Leader: Sisters and brothers, grace and peace be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

PRAYER

ALL: O god, you see how busy we are with so many things. Turn us to listen to Your teachings and lead us to choose one thing that will not be taken from us, our faith in You Lord. Amen.

SACRED READING

Joshua 24:14-15

PSALM 146

Leader: Hallelujah!

ALL: Praise the Lord, O my soul!

Leader: I will praise the Lord as long as I live.

ALL: I will sing praise to my God while I have my being.

Leader: Put not your trust in rulers,

ALL: In mortals in whom there is no help.

Leader: When they breathe their last,

ALL: They return to earth and in that day their thoughts perish.

Leader: Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help.

ALL: Whose help is in the Lord their God.

Leader: Who made heaven and earth, the seas and all that is in them.

ALL: Who keeps promises forever.

Leader: Who gives justice to those who are oppressed.

ALL: And food to those who hunger, the Lord sets the captive free.

Leader: The Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those,

ALL: Who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.

Leader: The Lord cares for the stranger, the Lord sustains,

ALL: The orphan and the widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

Leader: The Lord shall reign forever.

ALL: O God, throughout all generations, Hallelujah!

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE/TALK

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Let us offer our prayers to God for the world, the community of faith and all those in need.

(Each prayer that is offered by a member of the congregation will conclude with these words:

Person offering a Prayer: God of Truth,

ALL: HEAR OUR PRAYER.

The prayers will conclude with the Leader saying: “Receive the prayers of our hearts, O God and grant that we always trust in your promises.

ALL: HEAR OUR PRAYER. AMEN.

BENEDICTION

Leader: May the Lord bless and take care of you;

May the Lord be kind and gracious to you;

May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

ALL: AMEN.