

Shining Lakes Grove Liturgists Worksheet: Summer Solstice 2005

Preparing ourselves for our time with the Gods and Spirits

Processional and Purification: _____ / _____ / _____

We Approach the Sacred Grove

We approach the sacred grove,
With hearts and minds and flesh and bone.
Join us now in ways of old.
We have come home.

Bardic invocation for our eloquence and inspiration: _____

Welcoming the Allies, the spirits of the people and their gods who lived in this land before us: _____

Honoring our mother Ana: _____

Unity Chant:

We Are One With the Mother

We are one with the Mother,
We are one with the earth
We are one with each other
By our lives, by our birth.

*Statement of purpose: **Rod***

Declaring Center and opening the Portals

Well, Fire, and Tree: Tree: _____ *Fire:* _____ *Well:* _____

Portal Song

By Fire and by Water
Between the Earth and Sky
We stand like the Worldtree
Rooted deep, crowned high.

Come we now to the well...
...The eye and the mouth of Earth
...And silver we bring
...The waters of rebirth
...Together we sing:

We will kindle a fire...
...Bless all and with harm to none
...And offerings pour
...A light 'neath the Moon and Sun
...Our spirits will soar.

Gather we at the tree...
...The root and the crown of all
...Below and above,
...Together we make our call
...In wisdom and love.

*Acknowledging the Outsiders-the forces of chaos and change: _____
Invocation of Manannan mac Lir, our Lord of the Dead, to guide and protect us in the Otherworld:*

Manannan Invocation

We stand at the border and watch the mist close in.
Waves rolling, rolling,
Where shore meets the ocean, where land meets sea and sky,
We call to you, Manannan,
Manannan, Manannan,
We welcome you as you one day will welcome us.

Acknowledging and honoring our guests

Ancestors – our beloved dead: _____

Nature Spirits – the spirits of the land and its creatures: _____

*Deities: **Lugh, Aren, and Bríd** (feel free to offer a silent welcome to your own gods): **Rob***

Archetypes – acknowledging the three societal functions within us: _____ (do we still do this?)

*Deity of the Occasion: **Bel and Danu (Rod)***

Giving and receiving

*Passing the **sun wheel** - To direct praise and energy; to build a group offering*

Group praise: offering corn meal to the fire

Main Sacrifice: sun litany, offering the wheel and whiskey

*Omen of return : runes **Rod***

Return blessing: burn requests; lemonade

Cauldron blessing: Newest mother

Welcoming new members, officers, and guild members, and bestowing other honors

Unwinding and closing

Recessional:

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Walk With Wisdom

Walk with wisdom
From this hallowed place
Walk not in sorrow,
Our roots shall e'er embrace.

May truth be your brother
And honor be your friend
And luck be your lover
Until we meet again.