

SONORAN SUNRISE GROVE, ADF

Yule RITUAL 2007

Norse Pantheon

By

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PRE-RITUAL PREPARATION

In the Henge:

The fire is prepared, the well opened, the Offering Bowl placed on the ground in front of the Main Altar and the following items placed on or near the altar:

A standing horn for the Waters of Life, 2 drinking horns, 2 ritual pitchers, bowl for aspersing, a sea shell for the smudge stick, bell, offerings:

Guardian: Thor: Chalice of beer

Earth Mother(Nerthus) - corn meal and dry oatmeal in a small bowl;

Bragi, Fire - Oil in two small glasses;

Well - silver for the well;

Tree – bowl of holy well water;

Gatekeeper Heimdahl – Water in small pitcher for Tree

Deities – Whiskey in a small glass;

Ancestors – Corn and tobacco in a small bowl

Nature Spirits(Landveiter) - herbs and oats in a small bowl;

Odin– 1 glass of Mead;

Skadi –glass of Mead;

Idunna – glass of Mead;

Prayer of Sacrifice – A loaf of bread; a knife; ghee in a small bowl;

Piacular Sacrifice – Oil in a small glass; incense;

Final Gatekeeper Sacrifice – Oil in a small glass;

Other Offerings - a small wreath of twigs; Cider or beer or wine for the Waters of Life – also water; small drinking cups; a taper by the fire, and divination tools. A couple of drops of Holy Water are poured into the Well and into any water used in ritual.

At the Guardian Deity's Altar:

A chalice of beer is placed on the Altar.

At the Outdwellers Altar:

A standing horn of ale is placed on the Altar. A small bowl is filled with water from the Well and placed near the Sacred Precinct entry pillars. A sage stick and lighter is placed on top of one of the entry pillars.

Before the Procession begins:

***Orator** welcomes the people and gives the briefing. This will include creating the Sacred Center and Opening and Closing of the Gates, as well as Praise Offerings.*

*The **Bard** teaches the People any new songs.*

*The **Seer** leads the People in taking a moment to center.*

*** PROCESSION ***

***Orator** meets the People at the crossroads.*

***Orator** says:*

Children of the Earth! We meet at the crossroads. Welcome to Norse Yule Service of the Sonoran Sunrise Grove, Ár nDraíocht Féin. Please follow me to the Sacred Precinct.

***Orator** leads the people while the **Lead Drummer** creates a rhythmic drumbeat and the **Bard** leads the People in song as they process to the **Outdwellers Altar** outside the Sacred Precinct.*

*The **Bard** leads the People in singing:*

Join Us Now

Join us now, a people united,
To honor the Old Gods by Tree, Well and Fire.

Join us now, a people united,
To worship together in our Sacred Grove.
Ancestors guide us, Nature surrounds us,
Shining Ones teach us to live strong and free.

Join us now, a people united,
To worship together in our Sacred Grove.

(Repeat until Procession reaches entry to Sacred Precinct)

*** PROTECTION AND PURIFICATION ***

After the People arrive at the Sacred Precinct gates, Orator and Sacrificer purify each other, as well as the drummers and bowl singer, who then go to the Henge to play a heartbeat with singing bowl song to greet the People as they arrive.

CALLING THE GUARDIAN

Warrior goes through the entry pillars of the Sacred Precinct to the altar of the Guardian Deity and makes an offering, pouring ale or wine on the altar, saying:

Evocation to Thor As Guardian

Thunder, god of the common man
He who wields the mighty Moljiner
We ask you to guard and protect this rite through magic and arms

Ice giant slayer, Sif's husband
Mighty Thor Accept this Sacrifice

The People say:

Mighty Thor, accept our sacrifice!

THE OUTDWELLERS

Orator says:

Children of the Earth, as we now prepare to treat with the Outdwellers, look to the Outdwellers in your own hearts. As you enter the sacred precinct, you will be asked if you will release ill will. The appropriate response is, "I release *all* ill will." You will be purified by water and flame. Please avert your eyes while the Warrior treats with the Outdwellers, that we may not form a relationship with them.

Warrior! Treat with those Outdwellers who will not support our ways.

Orator stands at the Gate to the Sacred Precinct.

Warrior says:

*Rises, Thurses, trolls, and Etins not aligned with our ways
Also to all other forces outside the purpose of this rite
We give you this horn of beer and ask you to stay away*

Sv liggja það-----So be it

Warrior pours ale for the Outdwellers on the altar.

Warrior goes to the entrance of the sacred precinct.

Orator and Sacrificer smudge and asperse the Warrior.

Orator says:

Children of the Earth! Come forward and be purified as we enter the Sacred Precinct.

The Bard leads the People through the grove to the Henge with Orator and Sacrificer following last. Singing accompanies the People to the Henge.

The People find their places in the Circle of the Henge

Orator performs Hammer rite hallowing the space.

Traditional Hammer rite –(in Old Norse)

Hamarr i nordhri, helga vé theta ok hald vörðh
Hamarr i austri, helga vé theta ok hald vörðh
Hamarr i sudhri, helga vé theta ok hald vörðh
Hamarr i vestri, helga vé theta ok hald vörðh
Hamarr yfir mer helga vé theta ok hald vörðh
Hamarr undir mer helga vé theta ok hald vörðh
Um mik ok I mér Asgardhr ok Midhgardhr!

*** WELCOME ***

Orator rings bell thrice-three times while saying:

Ancestors! (*rings bell three times*) Landveiter! (*rings bell three times*) Shining Ones! (*rings bell three times*)

Welcome! We shall meet here at the Sacred Center when we open the gates to the Otherworlds.

*** THE EARTH MOTHER ***

Orator says:

O Great Nerthus. Lady of the cart. Oh shrouded lady
She who travels from her island in the sea to bestow fertility to the land and blessings to her people .

Earth Mother Nerthus, we show you honor!

The People kneel and kiss the Earth.

Orator says:

Offerings we make to You, Great earth mother Nerthus.
We offer Oats, a grain of ancient World.
We also offer Corn to You, the fruit of these new lands.

Earth Mother Nerthus, accept our sacrifice!

Orator offers the corn meal and dry barley to the Offering Bowl.

The People say:

Earth Mother Nerthus, accept our sacrifice!

Orator says:

Now, let us pray with a good fire!

Warrior lights the fire as

Sacrificer says:

Nerthus ! We build our fire upon Your bosom, claiming this place as our own.

Orator says:

Sv liggja það-----So be it

The People say:

Sv liggja það-----So be it

*** PURPOSE AND PRECEDENT ***

Orator says:

We gather here to celebrate the time of Yule. A time of Hospitality, Death, forgiveness, and Laughter. It is also a time to remember to be young at heart.

Warrior says:

We also offer worship to Idunna, The wife of Braggi and keeper of the Golden apples that gave the Aesir and Vanir Youthful hearts and bodies.

Seer says:

We are also here to pay honor to Skadi. Who despite great sorrow and rage, found acceptance, Laughter and Love.

Sacrificer says:

We offer Worship To the All Father Odin who's hospitality helped return peace to Asguard.

Orator says:

So let us join together as one folk to make our sacrifices in joy and reverence!
Sv liggja það-----So be it

The People:

Sv liggja það-----So be it

*** INSPIRATION AND LORE ***

Rhythmic drumming begins to accompany the Inspiration Invocation.

Orator says:

Bragi, Greatest of Skalds
Greatest wordsmith of them all
He who has the sacred runes tattooed on his tongue
We ask you to lend your inspiration to this rite.

Great Bragi, Accept this Sacrifice.

Sacrificer offers oil to the fire.

The People say:

Great Bragi, accept our sacrifice!

(Lore can be inserted here)

•CALLING TO THE Nine Worlds *

(Written by Modig)

(In the North)

“Nifl-heim, land of the frost giants,
Land of the cauldron Hvergelmir,
From which the 12 streams flow.
We honor you tonight,
That we may become one with you.”

(In the East)

“Jotun-heim, land of the giants,
Land of Ymir,
Whose body was used to create the worlds.
We honor you tonight,
That we may become one with you.”

(In the South)

“Muspells-heim, land of the fire giants,
Land of the sparks,
That flew into the air to make the stars.
We honor you tonight,
That we may become one with you.”

(In the West)

“Vana-heim, land of the elder godden,
Godden of wind and sea,
Godden of agriculture and fertility.
We honor you tonight,
That we may become one with you.”

(Below)

“Svartalf-heim, land of the Dark Elves,
Cultivators of ores and gems,

Makers of the goddens gifts.
We honor you tonight,
That we may become one with you.”

(Below)

“Hel-heim, deepest of the lands,
Resting place for those ancestors,
Who did not die in battle.
We honor you tonight,
That we may become one with you.”

(Above)

“Alf-heim, land of the light elves.
Protectors of nature.
Makers of fairy rings.
We honor you tonight,
That we may become one with you.”

(Above)

“Asgard, Highest of the lands.
Home of the Aesir,
And those who died in battle.
We honor you tonight,
That we may become one with you.”

(Middle)

“And here in Midgard,
By drawing the focus of the other worlds,
We become one.

WELL, FIRE AND TREE

The Lead Drummer continues the strong and rapid beat.

Seer goes to the Well with the silver. Sacrificer goes to the fire with the oil.

Warrior goes to the Tree with the Holy Water. Sanctifier 1 also goes to the Tree with the burning sage bundle.

Meanwhile, Orator moves clockwise around the Circle, leading the People in chanting the following 3 times. After the third time, Orator stops, faces center and holds up his arms.

Seer offers silver to the Well, saying:

Sacred waters of Mirmirs well,
Fountain of Wit of wisdom
The Head waters of Memory.
Mirmirs Well , flow within us!

The People say:

Mirmirs Well , flow within us!

At the end of the line, Orator stops, faces center and holds up his arms.

Sacrificer offers oil to the Fire, saying:

Sacred Fire, May your light join with the Bifrost Bridge
The Rainbow Conecting the Midgard to Asgard.
Light of the Bifrost , burn within us

The People say:

Light of the Bifrost , burn within us

The Warrior pours water on the roots, and Sanctifier 1 censes the World Tree, saying in unison:

Sacred Ash Yggdrasil formed from Odins will
Joiner of the nine worlds, Branches above, roots below

Mighty , Yggdrasil grow within us!

The People say:

Sacred Tree, grow within us!

Sanctifier 2 rings the bell three times. Orator, Sacrificer, Sanctifier 2 and Warrior return to their seats.

*** OPENING THE SACRED CENTER ***

THE GATEKEEPER

The Lead Drummer continues with the beat.

Gatekeeper

Mighty Heimdahl, Born of 9 mothers, Odins Son
Keeper of the Galahorn, Bi frost watcher,. The Bifrost
The great Rainbow bridge between the heavens and earth.
Greatest work of the gods.

Mighty Heimdahl maintain your watching and warding, and aid us
In opening a center connecting worlds.

Eagle eyed Heimdahl, Accept our sacrifice

OPENING THE GATES

Orator brings a staff to the center of the Circle.

Meanwhile, the Bard moves counter clockwise around the Circle, and leads the People in quietly chanting:

Open the Gates, Open the Gates, Open the Gates.....

The chanting, drums and rattles continue. They increase in speed and volume.

Orator holds the bottom of his staff, pointing the top of it at the top of the World Tree. He begins to spin counter clockwise, faster and faster. When his staff passes the Well, Orator says:

Let the Well join with Mirmir's well and open as a gate!

He continues spinning at least one full revolution.

As his staff passes over the Fire, Orator says:

Let the Fire join with the Bifrost and open as a gate. !

He continues spinning at least one full revolution.

As his staff passes by the Tree, Orator says:

Let the Tree Yggdrasil connect the Nine Worlds!

*There is a loud drum roll ending in a strong stroke. ALL CHANTING STOPS.
The Bard stops, faces center, and holds up her arms.*

Orator stops spinning, holds both hands (and staff) in the air and shouts:

Leyfa hinn hlið liggja opinn -----Let the gates be open

The People shout:

Let the Gates be open!

After a pause, where all visualize the opening of the portals, Orator says:

Children of the Earth, we are now woven into the fabric of the Otherworlds. Here, the Kindreds can hear our thoughts and know our hearts. Let there be only Truth here.

*** KINDRED OFFERINGS ***

Orator says:

Druids! Make our Offerings to the Kindreds – the Ancient Ones, the Noble Ones and the Shining Ones.

ANCESTORS

Sanctifier 2 censes the Ancestors altar, then goes and waits by the Nature Spirits altar. The Warrior waits behind the Main Altar.

The Seer or invited Celebrant stands at the SE side of the Circle, facing the Ancestors altar, and says these or other words:

Ancestors of this land, Fathers and mothers who came before us, Kin of heart and blood. Those we know and those do not. we show you honor.

Ancestors accept our sacrifice.

Orator says:

Children of the Earth, close your eyes, take a moment, and feel the Ancestors as they join us here.

After a few moments, Orator says:

Ancestors, we welcome you.

Now we will make our offering to the Nature Spirits.

NATURE SPIRITS

The drums begin again, pounding out a moderate beat.

Sanctifier 2 censes the Nature Spirits altar, then goes and waits by the Altar.

Sacrificer scatters herbs and bird seed on the ground and Sanctifier 1 hangs any trinkets on the World Tree, while

Guest stands at the SW side of the Circle, facing the Nature Spirits altar and says these or other words:

**Landvettir! Spirits of soil, water and sky.
Spirits of tree, herb, stone, stream and lake.
Bird, fish and beast.
We honor you here.**

Landvettir, Accept our sacrifice.

The People say:

Landvettir, accept our sacrifice!

The Bard leads the People in singing:

Orator says:

Children of the Earth, close your eyes, take a moment, and feel the Nature Spirits as they join us here.

After a few moments, Orator says:

Landvettir, we welcome you.
Now we will make our offering to the Shining Ones.

DEITIES

Sanctifier 1 or Guest stands at the Fire and says these or other words:

Aesir, Vanir, Gods and goddess of all realms
We ask you to come into this place and share your wisdom,

Aesir and Vanir, gods of all realms accept our sacrifice!

Sacrificer makes an offering of oil to the fire.

The People say:

Aesir and Vanir, gods of all realms accept our sacrifice!

The Bard leads the People in singing:

Welcome Kindreds All
Words and music
By
Dennis and Nora Ford

Welcome kindreds all, we worship you.
Welcome kindreds all, to this holy space.

Offerings we made, through well fire and tree.
Offerings we made, in praise of thee.

Welcome kindreds all, we honor you.
Welcome kindreds all.

Orator says:

Children of the Earth, close your eyes, take a moment, and feel the Gods and Goddesses as they join us here.

After a few moments, Orator says:
Gods and Goddesses, we welcome you.

*** KEY OFFERINGS ***

Orator says:

Oh Ancient, Noble and Shining Ones! Oh, Children of the Earth! May we now all join together to give worship and praise to the Gods of our rite!

Idunna

Orator invokes the Goddess. Sacrificer takes whiskey to the fire. Sanctifier 1 takes the smoking sage bundle to the Sigil Altar and waits while the Warrior lights another sage bundle at the Fire and goes to the Wreath. Warrior censes the image and waits there.

Invocation of Idunna

Idunna, Giver of youth to the Aesir and Vanir
Bragi's bride,
We call upon you now!

Prisoner of Thaissi ,
She who kept the golden apples away from him ,
Please join us by the Fire!

Returner of youth,
Beloved lady .
We make this offering to you

Orator offers whiskey to the Fire.

Youthful Idunna, accept our sacrifice!

Orator offers Mead to the Tree.

Skadi

Sacrificer says:

Seer invokes the God. Sacrificer takes whiskey to the fire and Sanctifier takes the smoking sage bundle to the Sigil Altar and censes the image, returning the sage to the main altar.

Sacrificer stands facing the Sigil Altar and says:

Invocation of Skadi

Goddess of the winter snows,
Njords wife, Thiassi's Daughter
We call upon you now!

Snow shoe goddess, Father avenger
Great archer, and strong of will
Come join us by our fire!

Your father's eyes placed among the stars
You were ,Given a husband
And a place among the Asier and Vanir

We offer you Oh Skadi mead to the fire
Great Skadi Accept our Sacrifice

The People say:

Great Skadi, accept our sacrifice!

Sacrificer offers Mead to the Fire.

Odin

Orator stands facing the Odin Altar and says:

Invocation of Odin

All Father
Bringer of the sacred runes
We honor you

God of the Wild hunt,
Valhalla's host,
We call upon You now!

He who hung in the tree for 9 days
He that made the cosmos from Ymir's broken body,
Come to us as the wanderer
And join us by our Fire.

Sacrificer offers whiskey to the Well.

Great Odin, accept our sacrifice!

Sacrificer offers mead to the Well.

The People say:

Great Odin, accept our sacrifice!

Sacrificer offers whiskey to the Fire.

Orator offers whiskey to the Fire.

*** PRAISE OFFERINGS ***

Orator says:

Does anyone have offerings of praise to make to our Patrons, Odin, Skadi, Idunna or any of Aesir and Vanir.

If so, come forward and take the wreath. Should you have an offering for the Grove, please place it on the altar.

Sacrificer stands quietly holding the wreath. As a person comes forward to make a Praise Offering, he hands the wreath to that person. When the Praise Offering is done, he takes back the wreath and silently holds it until the next person comes forward.

***When the Praise Offerings are finished,
Sacrificer takes the wreath, and joins Orator at the fire.***

Orator says:

Idunna, Skadi, and Odin!

Our love, joy and reverence have filled this Wreath of Praise.

O Sacred Ones,
Accept our Sacrifice!

Sacrificer puts the wreath in the Fire.

The People say:

Accept our Sacrifice!

*** THE PRAYER OF SACRIFICE ***

THE PRAYER

Orator says:

Oh mighty Kindreds, Your people, the Children of the Earth, stand before you in wonder, joy and love. We have honored You, O Kindreds, We have also honored You, Idunna, Skadi, and Odin. And now we call to You once more, that you may turn Your faces towards us and show us Your great favor, for You are our Elders in this Earth, and we strive, through **ghosti*, to be worthy of Your love.

Holy Ones! We now share this meal with You!

THE SHARED MEAL

The Sacrificer comes forward and takes the Loaf. She hands it to the Warrior who kneels in front of her, facing the Altar.

Orator says:

Hospitable All father, Strong Skadi, Youthful Idunna
We share this bread with you for all of the
Many gifts you have given to us.

Sacrificer cuts the loaf in half. Seer gives half to the Orator who puts it on the altar.

Sacrificer takes the loaf to the Fire. There should also be ghee at the Fire.

Orator places the loaf in the Fire and Sacrificer pours the ghee on the bread.

Orator says:

Odin, Skadi, and Idunna!
May our Piety increase Your magic!
May our courage increase Your power!
And may our fertile spirits show the world Your abundance!

Mighty God, accept our sacrifice!

The People say:

Mighty Gods, accept our sacrifice!

There is a flourish on the drums, and then

The Bard leads the People in singing:

The Sacrifice Song

By Ian Corrigan and friends

Let our voices arise on the Fire,
Let our voices resound in the deep,
Let the Kindreds accept what we offer,
As we honor the old ways we keep.

(repeat once)

*** THE OMEN ***

Orator says:

Seer, what blessings and wisdom do the Kindreds offer us this day?

While the wreath offering burns,

The Seer takes the Omen. She interprets it, which blessings have been granted by the Powers. While the Seer is preparing to read the omen, the Druids prepare the Waters of Life.

Orator pours mead into the large drinking horn.

Warrior fills another horn with waters from the Well. They are hung on their hangers.

The Seer pronounces the Omen.

*** BLESSINGS ***

The Return Flow

Orator says:

Reach out and touch someone next to you and complete the circle while we prepare the Waters Of Life.

The People all stand and hold hands in a circle.

Orator takes Sacred Water in a horn or chalice and stands in front of the Altar.

Orator says:

Children of the Earth, all we have done so far in our rite, have led to this moment. We have made offerings to the Kindred's , and now we shall ask for their blessings in return. Visualize the blessings that each of you desire and need from the Kindreds. See it clearly in your mind's eye. And when we ask for the Waters of Life, when we say, "Give us the Waters of Life", see the blessing you desire descend into the upraised cup like a mist, filling the cup. And when we drink of the Waters, you will receive your blessing. So close your eyes and take a moment to visualize your needs, and the needs of our Grove, that we may all receive the blessings we desire.

Kindred's we ask you to hallow these waters. We ask you to bless our lives with magic, power and abundance.

I raise this horn and ask: Ancestors. Give us the waters of life.

Again I raise the horn and ask Landvettir give us the waters of life

I raise the horn a third time and ask Aesir and Vanir give us the waters of life
Behold the waters of life.

Orator pours holy water in each horn.

Orator and the Sacrificer take the horns of ale; Warrior & Seer take the horns of water. Sanctifier 1 & Sanctifier 2 pass out the cups. Orator & Warrior do East half, Sacrificer and Seer do West half.

The drinking horns are passed. All drink from one or the other horn while the Bard leads the People in singing:

(Insert waters of life song here)

Celebrants return to the altar. Sanctifiers have put out cups for each celebrant. The Sanctifiers break off bread for celebrants. Orator pours ale for those who want ale. Sanctifier 1 pours the water. The Sanctifiers collect the cups.

*** THE AFFIRMATION ***

Orator says:

We have drunk of the Waters of Life! The Kindred's have given us true and wondrous blessings. We affirm the gifts of our Kindreds and acknowledge their power in our lives.

Children of the Earth, do you accept the gifts of the Kindreds?

The People say:

We accept the gifts of the Kindreds!

* CLOSING THE GATES *

Orator says:

The Mighty Ones have blessed us! So as we prepare to depart, let us give thanks to those who have aided us.

A drumbeat begins and rattles fill the sound.

Orator says:

Great Idunna, keeper of the golden apples. For returning youth to goddesses we say vi fiyrir takk we thank you

The People say:

We thank you!

The Sacrificer says:

Noble Skadi, for your strength in the face of adversity we say vi fiyrir takk we thank you

The People say:

We thank you!

Seer says:

Odin Mighty all father, for your hospitality we say vi fiyrir takk we thank you

The People say:

We thank you!

Sanctifier 1 says:

Gods and Goddesses of elder days, great Light in our lives, to you we say, vi fiyrir takk we thank you We thank you!

The People say:

We thank you!

Bard says:

Landvettir Noble Spirits of the Land, our allies in this world, to you we say, vi fiyrir takk we thank you We thank you!

The People say:

We thank you!**Seer says:**

Mighty Ancestors, you who stand behind us in wisdom and love, to you we say,
vi fiyrir takk we thank you We thank you!

The People say:

We thank you!

Bard says:

Skilled Bragi for giving us inspiration for this rite we say vi fiyrir takk we thank
you

Warrior says:

Mighty Thor, Guardian of our Rite,
For your Watching and Warding,
Through magic and arms, we say,
vi fiyrir takk we thank you We thank you!

The People say:

We thank you!

Seer says:

Heimdahl, Keeper of the Bifrost, once more we offer to You!

Sacrificer pours oil into the Fire.

Come once more and join Your magic with ours! And for this we say,
vi fiyrir takk we thank you We thank you!!

The People say:

We thank you!

Orator says:

Now we end what we began.

***The drums begin to play and the Bard leads the People in chanting, starting
quietly and building in speed and intensity:***

Close the Gates.... Close the Gates..... Close the Gates.....

***Sacrificer holds the bottom of his staff, pointing the top of it at the top of the
World Tree. He begins to spin deosil, faster and faster.***

As the staff passes the fire,

Sacrificer says:

Let the fire be flame!

As the staff passes the well,

Sacrificer says:

Let the well be water!

As the staff passes the World Tree,

Sacrificer says:

Let the Tree return to the Midworld!

There is a loud drum roll ending in a strong stroke.

The drumming and rattles stop.

Sacrificer stops spinning, holds both hands (and staff) in the air and shouts:

Leyfa hinn hlið liggja fyrir-----Let the gates be closed (Pronounced Leya Hin Luth Ligia Frerer)

The People say:

Let the Gates be closed!

THANKING THE EARTH MOTHER

Orator says: Earth Mother Nerthus! We give you all remaining offerings, for what comes from the Earth must surely return to the Earth. For You are the One who sustains us all.

Orator, Sacrificer and Sanctifier 2 make all remaining offerings to the Well, Fire or Offering bowl.

Orator says:

Earth Mother! For upholding the world and granting us Your blessings, we say, vi fiyrir takk we thank you We thank you
!

The People say:

We thank You!

* THE RECESSION *

Orator then rings the bell thrice-three times.

Orator says:

Please stand and hold hands in this Circle.

Walk with Wisdom, Children of the Earth. This Rite is ended. Sv liggja
það-----So be it

The People say:

Sv liggja það-----So be it

*The Bard leads the People in singing as they stand holding hands in the Circle.
After one time through, the Bard leads the People singing out of the Circle:*

Walk With Wisdom

Words and music by Sable

Walk with wisdom, from this hallowed place.
Walk not in sorrow, our roots shall ere embrace.
May strength be your brother, and honor be your kin,
And luck be your lover until we meet again.
(Repeat until Recession is ended)

At this point, a party/potluck is held for the assembled people.