

Hymn: God Bless America

God Bless America, land that I love
Stand beside her, and guide her,
Through the night with the light from above,
From the mountains, to the prairies,
To the ocean, white with foam,
God bless America, my home sweet home.
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Great Spirit Prayer (Native American)

Oh Great Spirit whose voice in the wind I hear,
and whose breath gives life to all in the world,
hear me.
Before you I come, one of your many children.
Small and weak am I.
Your strength and wisdom I need.
Make me walk in beauty.
Make my heart respect all You have made,
my ears to hear Your voice.
Make me wise that I may know all You have taught my people.
The lessons You have hidden in every rock.
I seek strength, not to be superior to my brother.
Make me able to fight my greatest enemy, myself.
Make me ready to stand before You with clean and
straight eyes.
When life fades, as the fading sunset, may our spirits
stand before You without shame.

BENEDICTION

May the Lord, Mighty Lord, bless and keep you
forever;
Grant us peace, perfect peace, courage in every
Endeavor;
Lift up your eyes and see His face, and His grace
forever;
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forever.

TREK LEADERS MINUTE

Scouts Own



"A Scout is... reverent."

**Verdugo Hills Council
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INTERFAITH WORSHIP SERVICE – 1

INVOCATION

Psalm 100 1-3

“Shout for joy to the Lord, in all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; Come Before Him with joyful songs. Know that the Lord is God. It is He who made us, and we are his; we are his people,, the sheep of His pasture”.

HYMN

“America the Beautiful”

**O beautiful for spacious skies
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain
America! America!
God shed his grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
from sea to shining sea!**

MEDITATION

Sanctify our campsite with your presence and joy. By the spirit of affection and service unite our Scouting Families, that They may show your praise in our land and in all the world.

TIME FOR RELECTION

“Unknowingly, we plow the dust of stars, blown about us by the wind, and drink the universe in a glass of rain.”

-Ihab Hassan

“The sun, with all those planets revolving around it and dependent on it, can still ripen a bunch of grapes as if it had nothing else in the universe to do.”

-Galileo

“Space isn’t remote at all. It’s only an hour’s drive away if your car could go straight upwards.”

-Sir Fred Hoyle

The Boy Scout Law

Leader: A true and worthy person recognizes his obligations and does them without being watched or compelled.

People: A SCOUT IS TRUSTWORTHY.

Leader: We owe much to many - to home, school, community, nation, and to God.

People: A SCOUT IS LOYAL.

Leader: The good Samaritan showed the spirit of doing a Good Turn.

People: A SCOUT IS HELPFUL.

Leader: Courtesy is the mark of all faiths. It is shown in thoughtful acts and kindly respect for everyone.

People: A SCOUT IS COURTEOUS.

Leader: Kindliness is the way people show respect for others.

People: A SCOUT IS KIND.

Leader: Life is filled with things that we must do whether we like them or not. One of the marks of growing up is our readiness to accept responsibilities willingly.

People: A SCOUT IS OBEDIENT.

Leader: Our moods make our days. If we are grouchy, our day is gloomy. If we are happy, our day is always happier.

People: A SCOUT IS CHEERFUL.

Leader: The world offers many gifts. A wise person uses them with care.

People: A SCOUT IS THRIFTY.

Leader: To each of us comes danger, difficult tasks, and temptations. In choice of courage or cowardice, may we be brave.

People: A SCOUT IS BRAVE.

Leader: Cleanliness is next to Godliness. To have a clean body, a clean mind, and a clean record is a rewarding achievement.

People: A SCOUT IS CLEAN.

Leader: Character is determined by the things we worship. If we respect ourselves and our brothers and sisters, and see them as gifts of the goodness of God, we live on a high plain.

People: A SCOUT IS REVERENT.