

Potawatomi Area Council

Chaplain Aide Guide



Valley of the Lord Chapel
Camp Long Lake

A Scout is Reverent

He is reverent toward God. He is faithful in his religious duties. He respects the beliefs of others.

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Chaplain Aide Promise

On my honor, as a Scout, I will do my best to fulfill the office of Chaplain Aide. I promise to help my fellow Scouts when asked to do so.

I will endeavor to lead them as a true and loyal friend. Each Scouting brother may count on my help at all times as we progress along the trail.

To this end, I give my solemn promise as we live by the 12th point of the Scout Law... "A Scout is Reverent."



Chaplain Aide Program

THE PURPOSE OF THIS PROGRAM IS:

1. To make the twelfth point of the Scout Law more meaningful in life.
2. To promote a greater understanding of, and appreciation for all religions.
3. To provide Boy Scouts with the opportunity to work with an ordained member of the clergy/chaplain designee, thereby gaining insight into the ministry or rabbinate.

It is recommended that the Boy Scout selected for the position of Chaplain Aide be at least a First Class Scout. The Chaplain Aide should be mature and sensitive, a Boy Scout who has earned the trust of his fellow Scouts.

REQUIREMENTS:

1. The Boy Scout seeking the position of Chaplain Aide should have earned or be in the process of completing his religious emblem award.
2. The Chaplain Aide creates and maintains a library of religious emblems requirements.

The Chaplain Aide compiles and keeps an up-to-date list of local clergy, or lay people who have agreed to be counselors for the religious emblems programs.

Working with the Troop Chaplain/chaplain designee, the Chaplain Aide composes an appropriate prayer for before and after meals. When composing these prayers, the Chaplain/chaplain designee, and Chaplain Aide should be sensitive to the various theological and religious positions embraced by the faiths of our land.

Working with the Troop Chaplain/chaplain designee, the Chaplain Aide composes a Sabbath service appropriate for all troop members during weekend campouts.

Chaplain Aide Duties

Chaplain Aide is an approved leadership position for Boy Scouts. His responsibilities are to encourage spiritual awareness and growth in the lives of troop members and to assist the Chaplain/chaplain designee.

His duties include:

- Present an overview of the various religious emblem programs to the troop at least annually, instructing members to contact their own clergy or religious counselor to guide them in the appropriate study program.
- Present an overview of the religious emblem program to Cub Scout dens and packs on request.
- Serve as the youth coordinator for the observances of Scout Sabbath or Sunday.
- Invite the Troop Chaplain (clergy) to visit a campout, eat with the troop, and conduct a worship service.
- Prepare a troop prayer.
- Assist the Troop Chaplain or chaplain designee to plan and conduct a religious emblem recognition ceremony. Presentation of a religious emblem is the responsibility of the local house of worship in which it is earned, though it is appropriate for the troop to recognize boys who have received religious emblems at Courts of Honor.
- Encourage troop members to strengthen their own relationship with God through personal prayer and devotion, and participation in religious activities.
- Participate in a Patrol Leaders Council planning session, being sure a spiritual emphasis is included, e.g. vespers, prayers before meals, religious observances, Scouts Own, etc.
- Work with Troop Chaplain/chaplain designee to plan appropriate religious services for troop campouts. Troops may conduct their own religious services, invite the Troop Chaplain or an exemplary person to participate in the service or visit nearby houses of worship.

Meal Time and Daily Prayers

Blessings at Meals

It is highly important that blessings at meals be conducted in a reverent manner.

Before Meals

Blessings Suitable for any Meal

1. For health and strength and daily food, we give You thanks, O Lord.
2. For this and all Your mercies, Lord, make us duly grateful.
3. For food and health and friendship, we give You thanks, O Lord.
4. We thank You, our Heavenly Father, for this food. Bless us as we partake of it that it may strengthen us for Your service.
5. Be present at our table, Lord. Be here and everywhere adored; these mercies bless and grant that we may love, and serve, and honor You.
6. For food, for raiment, for life, for opportunity, for friendship and fellowship we thank You, O Lord. (Philmont Grace)
7. Bless us, O Lord, and these Your gifts which we are about to receive from Your goodness. Amen.
8. Lord, bless the food and drink of Your servants; for You are holy always, now and forever. Amen.
9. Blessed are You, God of all creation. Through Your goodness we have this food to eat, fruit of the earth and of human toil. Blessed be Your holy name forever Amen.
10. Lord God, who fills us with Your brightness in the morning; grant that we continually invoke Your name with blessings and praise. Bless and sanctify this food we are about to receive and the fellowship we share. Amen.
11. May the King of Eternal Glory make us partakers of the heavenly meal. Amen.

12. Come, Lord God, be our guest, and bless what You have bestowed upon us. Amen
13. Every gift that we have, every good comes from You. O God, we thank You. Amen.

After Meals

1. We give You thanks almighty God, for these and all Your gifts which we have received from Your bounty, through Your goodness. Amen.
2. Reward in Your goodness, O Lord, all those who for Your name's sake do good to us, and give them Your reward. Amen.

Jewish

Ha-mo-tsi-chem mm ha-a-rets.

We give thanks to God for bread,
Our voices rise in song together,
As our joyful prayer is said:

Ba-rhcn a-ta, A-do-nai E-lop-hei-nu, me-lech
ha-o-lam, ha-mo-tsi le-chem mm ha-a-rets.

Praised is the Lord our God, Ruler of the universe, who brings bread from the earth.

Hindu

Asato ma sad gamaya, Tamaso ma jyotir gamaya, Mrtyor mamrtam gamaya

Lead us from the unreal to the Real, Lead us from darkness to Light, and Lead us from death to Immortality.

Morning Blessings

1. O God, for the creation of light, for the dawn of this day, for Your love, we praise You and ask Your kindness and companionship with us this day, for the glory of Your Name. Amen.
2. Gracious Giver of all good, we thank You for rest and food. Grant that all we do or say service this day.

3. Our Father, we thank You for this new day and for Your loving care. Help us to be mindful of You in these happy, sunlit hours.
4. Heavenly Father, we thank You for Your care through the night and for this new day. Guide us by Your love, and at the close of this day may we not be ashamed before You.

Noon Blessings

1. Father, for this noontday meal, we would speak the praise we feel. Health and strength we have from You, help us, Lord, to be faithful. Amen.
2. Heavenly Father, help us to see the beautiful things in earth and sky which are tokens of Your love. Walk with us in the days we spend together here. May the food we eat and all Your blessings help us to better serve You. Amen.
3. Our Father in Heaven, as this day leads on, let us not forget our obligation to honor and serve You. We thank You for these gifts of Your bounty. Bless them for our use and our lives to Your service. Amen.

Evening Blessings

1. Tireless Guardian on our way, Your love kept us well this day. While we thank You, we request care continued, pardon, and rest. Amen.
2. Heavenly Father we thank You for this day and for Your presence in it. Forgive us if we have not made it a better day and help us to be tomorrow what we have failed to be today. Amen.
3. Our Father, God, we thank You for this evening meal. As You have been mindful of us, so help us to be mindful of You that we may know and do Your will. Amen.
4. Our Father in Heaven, You have given us all things richly to enjoy. We bring our thanks to You at this evening meal. Bless us as we partake of this food, and keep us mindful of the needs of others. Amen.

Opening/Closing/Specific Prayers

At The Opening Of Camp

Chaplain Aide: The Lord our God walks in the midst of our camp.

All: Therefore shall our camp be holy.

Chaplain Aide: Almighty God, who for forty years desired no other dwelling in the place than the holy tent of the people of Israel; make your dwelling in the midst of Your Scouts and keep from this camp all that is harmful to soul and body.

All: Amen

At The Closing Of The Campfire

As the light of this campfire fades, we thank You for the joys and blessings of this day. As the embers cool and the smoke dies down, we lift up our minds and hearts to You in gratitude for our life, our youth, our happiness, and our Scouting. Beneath the stars we shall sleep and take our rest. Lord, protect our camp this night; may we rise refreshed and ready to serve You with generosity tomorrow. Amen.

At The End Of Camp

We thank You, Father, for all the graces we have received during this camp. We have lived together, sharing the joys and sorrows, the work, and the play. Thank You, for the progress made, the lessons learned, the friendships that have been formed and deepened, and the kindnesses that have been shown. Striking camp and going home reminds us that we have no permanent resting place here on earth and that all our life we are on the move toward eternity. May we be prepared when one day You will call us to our eternal resting place in heaven. Amen.

For The Troops Chaplain

God, bless our Troop Chaplain whose teachings show the trail we Scouts must blaze to have God's love and mercy every day. Fill his heart with good counsel and fill our hearts with cooperation and obedience to our Chaplain for he teaches Your way to us.



Prayer For My Leaders

Dear Lord, bless my Scouting leaders who spend time and energy to help us to grow. Guide them to their work; give them patience and wisdom, and reward them in this life and in the next. Amen.

For Scouts Everywhere

God, our Father, bless us and all Scouts everywhere. We thank you for all the blessings granted to us in the past and ask for Your continuing help in days to come. We thank You for health bestowed, for opportunities given, for help received, and for all the happiness we enjoy. Forgive all that has been displeasing in Your sight; deepen our repentance for all that has been wrong; strengthen our good intentions and our Brotherhood. Amen.

Lord Baden-Powell Prayer

O Lord, we thank You for the work of Sir Robert Baden-Powell, who in his dedication and wisdom founded the World Scouting Movement. We thank You for the efforts of those thousands of men and women who have brought Scouting to millions of boys the world over.

We rededicate ourselves to the principles of our Movement—to do our best to do our duty to God and to Country.

We ask You, O Lord, to give us the strength and courage—each of us—to live up to the Scout Oath, the Scout Law, and the high ideals of the World Brotherhood of Scouting. Amen.

Scout Benediction

May the Great Scoutmaster of all Scouts be with us till we meet again.

Camper's Prayer

God of the mountains and hills, make me tall and strong;
Tall enough and strong enough to right some wrong.
God of the stars, make me steadfast and sure;
God of every lake and stream, flow through my life and make it clean.
Let me do nothing base or mean.

God of the trees and woods, keep me fresh and pure;
God of the rain, wash from my life all dirt and stain;
Pure and strong let me remain.

God of the seed and soil, plant in my heart Thy love;
God of the darkness and day, through shadows or light, by my stay.
Guide Thou my way.

God of the radiant sun, light Thou my life;
God of the glorious dawn, make each day a fresh start;
God of the evening peace and quiet, keep me free from fear and strife.

God of the surging waves and sea, wide horizons give to me;
Help me to see the world as Thou wouldst have it be;
God of the morning dew, each day my faith renews.
God of all growing things, keep me growing too.

-George Earle Owen



An American Indian Prayer

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 the 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.



Scout's Interfaith Vesper Service

Opening Hymn: "On My Honor"

On my honor I'll do my best to do my duty to God.
On my honor I'll do my best to serve my country as I may.
On my honor I'll do my best to do my Good Turn each day,
To keep my body strengthened and keep my mind awakened.
To follow paths of righteousness.

CA: =Chaplain Aide

S: =Scouts

CA: Open your eyes, and your hearts and sense the good things we have from the Lord, our God.

Psalm: 113: In Praise of the Lord's Goodness.

CA: You servants of the Lord praise His name!

S: May His name be praised now and forever.

CA: From the East to the West praise the name of the Lord!

S: The Lord rules over all nations, His glory is above the heavens and the earth.

CA: There is no one like the Lord our God.

S: He lives in the heights above, but He lifts the needy from their misery.

S: And makes them companions of princes, the princes of His people.

CA: He honors the childless wife in her home; He makes her happy by giving her children.

All: Praise the Lord!

Scripture Reading:

Deuteronomy 8:7-14, 20

Vesper Message: (Optional at leader's discretion)

Psalm 148: A Call for the Universe to Praise God.

CA: Heaven and earth are filled with Your Glory.

S: Heaven and earth are filled with Your Glory.

CA: Praise the Lord from heaven, you that live in the heights above.
Praise Him, all His angels, all His heavenly armies.

S: Heaven and earth are filled with Your Glory.

CA: Praise Him, sun and moon; praise Him, shining stars. Praise
Him, highest heavens and the waters above the sky.

S: Heaven and earth are filled with Your Glory.

CA: Let them all praise the name of the Lord!
He commanded, and they were created; by His command
they were fixed in their places forever, and they cannot disobey.

S: Heaven and earth are filled with Your Glory.

CA: Praise the Lord from the earth, sea monsters and all ocean
depths; lightning and hail, snow and clouds, strong
winds that obey His command.

S.: Heaven and earth are filled with Your Glory.

CA: Praise Him, hills and mountains, fruit trees and forests; all
animals, tame and wild, reptiles and birds.
Praise Him, kings and all peoples, princes and all other rulers;
girls and young men, old people and children too.

S: Heaven and earth are filled with Your Glory.

CA: Let them all praise the name of the Lord! His name is greater
than all others, His glory is above earth and
heaven. He made His nations strong so that all His
people praise Him – the people of Israel, so dear to Him.

S: Heaven and earth are filled with Your Glory.

Hymn: "Scout Vesper"

Softly falls the light of day,
While 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?"

CA: Let us pray..

God of Creation, we thank You for the good gifts of life; for shelter at night, for the food we eat, for the clothing and comforts we enjoy in abundance. We thank You for the richness of the earth and this universe which nourishes us and sustains us, delights us and speaks to us of Your love and concern. Help us to be more worthy builders and users of these resources, more grateful participants with You in all that is creative and conserving in our world. Amen.

Scout Benediction

May the Great Scoutmaster of all Scouts be with us till we meet again.

Closing Hymn: Taps

Day is done, gone the sun,
From the lake, from the hills,
From the sky;
All is well, safely rest,
God is nigh.
Fading light dims the sight,
And a star gems the sky,
Gleaming bright,
From afar, drawing night,
Falls the night.

Protestant/Ecumenical Prayer Service

Call To Worship (Psalm 95:1-7)

Come, let us praise the Lord!

Let us sing for joy to God, who protects us!

Let us come before Him with thanksgiving and sing joyful songs of praise.

For the Lord is a mighty God, a mighty King over all of the gods.

He rules over the whole earth, from the deepest caves to the highest hills.

He rules over the sea, which He made; the land also, which He Himself formed.

Come, let us bow down and worship Him; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker!

He is our God; we are the people He cares for, the flock for which He provides.

Hymn: In Christ there is No East or West

In Christ there is no East or West in Him no South or North; but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

Join hands, then, brothers of the faith, whatever your race may be.
Who serves my Father as a son is surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both East and West, in Him meet South and North;

All Christly souls are one in Him throughout the whole wide earth.

Amen

Scripture Reading:

The story of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-27)

Responsive Reading:

CA: = Chaplain Aide

S: = Scouts

CA: The Scout Law is a guiding light to millions of boys and men throughout the world today, but the principles of the Law have been brought to us from the ancient days - "Do not accuse anyone falsely." (Exodus 20:16)

S: A Scout is Trustworthy.

CA: "Whoever is faithful in small matters will be faithful in large ones; whoever is dishonest in small matters will be dishonest in large ones. (Luke 16:10)

S: A Scout is Loyal.

CA: "Do not take revenge on anyone or continue to hate him, but love your neighbor as you love yourself. I am the Lord." (Leviticus 19:18) "There will always be some Israelites who are poor and in need, and so I command you to be generous to them." (Deuteronomy 15:11)

S: A Scout is Helpful.

CA: Love one another warmly as Christian brothers, and be eager to show respect for one another. (Romans 12:10)
How wonderful it is, how pleasant for God's people to live together in harmony! (Psalm 133:1)

S.: A Scout is Friendly.

CA: "Do not use harmful words, but only helpful words, the kind that build up and provide what is needed, so that what you say will do good to those who hear you." (Ephesians 4:29)

S: A Scout is Courteous.

CA: "A good man takes care of his animals, but wicked men are cruel to theirs." (Proverbs 12:10)

S: A Scout is Kind.

- CA: "Children, it is your Christian duty to obey your parents, for this is the right thing to do." "Respect your father and mother is the first commandment that has a promise added: "so that all may go well with you, and you may live a long time in the land."
Ephesians 6:1-3)
- S: A Scout is Obedient.
- CA: "When people are happy, they smile, but when they are sad, they look depressed." (Proverbs 15:13)
- S: A Scout is Cheerful.
- CA: "Lazy people should learn a lesson from the way ants live. They have no leader, chief, or ruler, but they store up their food during the summer, getting ready for winter." (Proverbs: 6-8)
- S: A Scout is Thrifty.
- CA: "Be determined and confident. Do not be afraid of them, Your God, the Lord himself will be with you. He will not fail you or abandon you." (Deuteronomy 31:6)
- S.: A Scout is Brave.
- CA: "Who has the right to go up the Lord's hill? Who may enter His holy Temple? Those who are pure in act and in thought, who do not worship idols or make false promises. The Lord will bless them and save them; God will declare them innocent." (Psalm 24:3-5)
- S: A Scout is Clean.
- CA: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your mind, with all your soul, and with all your strength."
(Mark 12:30)
- S: A Scout is Reverent. He is Reverent toward God. He is faithful in his religious duties, and respects the convictions of others in matters of custom and religion.

Hymn Faith of Our Fathers

Faith of our Fathers, living still,
In spite of dungeon, fire and sword,
O how our hearts beat high with joy,
When'er we hear the glorious work.
Faith of our Fathers holy faith,
We will be true to Thee till death.

Faith of our Fathers, we will stave,
To win all nations unto Thee;
and through the truth that comes from God,
Mankind shall then indeed be free.
Faith of our Fathers, holy faith,
We will be true to Thee till death.

Worship message: (Optional at discretion of leader)

A period of prayer: Silent prayer followed by the Lord's Prayer in unison.

Closing prayer by Chaplain Aide:

O God, we thank You for the world in which You have placed us, for the universe whose vastness is revealed in the blue depth of the sky, whose immensity's are lit by shining stars beyond the strength of mind to follow. We thank You for every sacrament of beauty, for the sweet-swelling seas; for the stretching lands and the mighty mountains which rest and satisfy the soul, the purity of dawn which calls to holy dedication, the peace of evening which speaks of everlasting rest.

Above all, we thank You for the dignity you have bestowed on every human being as the crown of Your creation. Through Jesus our Lord, You give us the grace to let the light of Your Glory shine through us, and the power of Your Spirit to be manifested in our hearts, now and forever.

Benediction: (In unison)

The Lord bless us and keep us;

The Lord make His face to shine upon us and be gracious unto us and give us peace. Amen.

Catholic Prayer Service

The Catholic Prayer Service does not take the place of the Catholic Scout's obligation. Every effort should be made to assure Catholic Scouts and leaders have the opportunity to attend Mass by inviting a priest to celebrate on the outing, locating a parish near the event site and plan around that schedule, or researching what parishes in the community have Mass that all could attend after they return from the event.

Set Up: Table decorated with cloth, candle and Bible for readings.
A leader & 2 readers

ORDER OF WORSHIP

OPENING SONG: Choose a song that focuses on serving others

SIGN OF THE CROSS:

Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen

Leader: God our Father, help us to remember that Christ our Savior lives with You in glory and that He promised to remain with us until the end of time. We ask You to hear our prayers and grant our needs through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit forever and ever.

All: Amen

READINGS:

Reader #1:

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah (Chapter 42:1-7)

¹Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am pleased, Upon whom I have put my spirit; he shall bring forth justice to the nations, ²Not crying out, not shouting, not making his voice heard in the street. ³A bruised reed he shall not break, and a smoldering wick he shall not quench, ⁴Until he establishes justice on the earth; the coastlands will wait for his teaching.

⁵Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spreads out the earth with its crops, Who gives breath to its people and spirit to those who walk on it: ⁶I, the LORD, have called you for the victory of justice, I have grasped you by the hand; I formed you, and set you as a covenant of the people, a light for the nations, ⁷to open the eyes of the blind, to bring out prisoners from confinement, and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

All: The Lord's kindness is everlasting to those who fear him.

Leader: Bless the LORD, O my soul; all my being, bless his holy name.

Bless the LORD, O my soul; and forget not all his benefits.

All: The Lord's kindness is everlasting to those who fear him.

Leader: He pardons all your iniquities, heals all your ills.

He redeems your life from destruction, crowns you with kindness and compassion.

All: The Lord's kindness is everlasting to those who fear him.

Leader: Merciful and gracious is the LORD, slow to anger and abounding in kindness.

Not according to our sins does he deal with us, nor does he requite us according to our crimes.

All: The Lord's kindness is everlasting to those who fear him.

Reader #2:

A reading from the Book of Sirach. (Chapter 15:15-20)

¹⁵If you choose you can keep the commandments; it is loyalty to do his will. ¹⁶There are set before you fire and water; to whichever you choose, stretch forth your hand. ¹⁷Before man are life and death, whichever he chooses shall be given him. ¹⁸Immense is the wisdom of the LORD; he is mighty in power, and all-seeing. ¹⁹The eyes of God see all he has made; he understands man's every deed. ²⁰No man does he command to sin, to none does he give strength for lies.

The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL:

Leader: A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew. (Chapter 25:31-46)

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, ³²and all the nations will be assembled before him. And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. ³⁴Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. ³⁵For I was hungry and you gave me

food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.' ³⁷Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? ³⁸When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? ³⁹When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?' ⁴⁰And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.' ⁴¹Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels.

⁴²For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, ⁴³a stranger and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing, ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.' ⁴⁴Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' ⁴⁵He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' ⁴⁶And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

All: Thanks be to God.

REFLECTION:

The leader may a) give a reflection or b) read the following words of Blessed John Paul II or c) invite the scouts to share how they have served Christ by serving people in need.

Listen to these words from Blessed John Paul II:

In the face of the poor I see the face of Christ. In the life of the poor I see reflected the life of Christ. In turn, the poor and those discriminated against identify more easily with Christ, for in Him they discover one of their own. Jesus said that in the final analysis He will identify Himself with the disinherited - the sick, the imprisoned, the hungry, the lonely - who have been given a helping hand. Keep Jesus in your hearts and you will recognize His face in every human being. You will want to help Him out in all His needs; the needs of your brothers and sisters. This is the way to prepare ourselves to meet Jesus when He will come again on the last day, as the judge of the living and the dead.

(From a homily of Pope John Paul II, 1979)

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL:

Can be written by leaders and scouts to reflect the needs and concerns of the group:

Reader: Let us gather our prayers and needs and voice them to the Lord.

Our response is “Lord, hear our prayer”.

For the Church: that the Lord guide and protect it, we pray to the Lord....

For those who serve us in public office and for all those entrusted with the common good, we pray to the Lord.....

For peace among nations, that God may rid the world of violence, and let us serve him in freedom, we pray to the Lord.....

For those who suffer from hunger, sickness, or loneliness: that Chris may bring them health and peace, we pray to the Lord.....

That the Lord Jesus may keep us true to our faith in Christ, and help us to witness to his love, we pray to the Lord.....

Invite prayers from the group for special intentions.....we pray to the Lord.....

The Lord's Prayer

All: Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen

Leader: Let us offer each other a sign of Christ's peace.

ALL: PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:

God our Father, in baptism You called me by name and made me a member of Your people, the Church. I praise You for your goodness. I thank You for Your gifts. Father, bless Your Church with love. Raise up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and from our friends who will serve as sisters, brothers, deacons and priests. Send Your Spirit to guide and strengthen me that I may serve Your people following the example of Your Son, Jesus Christ, in whose name I offer this prayer. Amen

CLOSING SONG: Choose a song

Christian – the Lord's Prayer

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Give us this day our daily bread; forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, the Power and the Glory forever and forever. Amen.



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Troop Number

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Chaplain Aide

Date

Appointed By

Senior Patrol Leader

Scoutmaster

Boy Scouts of America

Chaplain Aide Log

Month	Meeting	Service Rendered	Initials
January			
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“No man is much good unless he believes in God and obeys His laws. So every Scout should have a religion..... Religion seems a very simple thing: First: Love and serve God. Second: Love and - serve your neighbour.”

-Lord Robert Baden-Powell

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