

TROOP 123...

... THE TROOP THAT COUNTS...

Philmont Grace

For food, for raiment For life, for opportunity For friendship and fellowship We thank thee, O Lord

Northern Tier Grace

For Food, for raiment For life and opportunity For sun and rain, For water and portage trails, For friendship and fellowship, We thank Thee, O Lord. Amen

Bechtel Summit Grace

For this time and this place, For Your goodness and Your grace, For each friend we embrace, We thank Thee, O Lord. Amen

The Sea Base Grace

Bless the creatures of the sea, Bless this person, I call me, Bless the Keys, You made so grand, Bless the sun that warms the land, Bless this fellowship, we feel, As we gather for this meal. Amen

Falling Rock Grace

Bless the knowledge that we gain, Bless the skills we attain, Bless the friends that we make, Bless the food from which we take, Bless the rocks, the falls, the trees and The whisper of the legend in the breeze. Amen

Dale's Lazarus Grace

Creator, bless this camp: For the trees that make pancakes glow, For the joy of Scouts whenever they go, For the Scouters that make it so.



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Oyo Grace

Great Spirit of these wooded hills, We lift our hearts to thee. We thank thee for Thy presence here, In every rock and tree. And, for this day and for this food, We give you grateful praise. And with the music of the birds, Our joyful voices raise.

Chief Logan Grace

As we gather beneath trees and sky, Bless this camp and you and I, Joined by a bond all together, Friends are ... Friends are forever.

Lost Pines Grace

For the opportunity to serve others, For the fellowship of friends, Thank you for bringing us together, O Lord, And guiding us with your hand. Amen

Camp Sawyer Grace

Thanks to God for his gift of love, For the reefs beneath and the skies above, We ask that He bless the food we eat, And protect us from the summer heat. Amen

Scout's Grace

Let us be thankful for The food and drinks we are about to receive Let us be thankful for The shelter that protects us as we sleep at night Let us be thankful for The earth we walk on and the air we breathe Let us be thankful for The fire that keeps us warm and gives us light Let us be thankful for The beauty of the natural surroundings Let us be thankful for Our families and friends who support us Let us be thankful for Our staff and leaders that show us the way Amen



Order of the Arrow Grace

For night alone that rests our thought For quiet dawn that lights our trail For evening fire that warms and cheers For each repast that fuels our work We give Thee thanks, O Lord. Amen

Prepared – Walter Dudley Cavert

Grant, O God, that this food may keep us

physically strong, May the inspiration of our friends keep us mentally awake, and

May the desire to do your will keep us morally straight, For Your sake. Amen

Johnny Appleseed Grace

Oh, the Lord's been good to me. And, so I thank the Lord; For giving me, the things I need, The sun and the rain and the appleseed; The Lord's been good to me.

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World Hunger Grace

For food in a world where many walk in hunger For faith in a world where many walk in fear For friends in a world where many walk alone We give you humble thanks, oh Lord

For Health And Strength (a grace)

(A grace to be sung as a round)

For health and strength And daily food We praise Thy name, O Lord!

Even When It Rains

Even when it rains, and the wind blows cold, We remember Your many blessings, And take this time to give thanks, For the warmth of fellowship, The nourishment of food, And the strength You give. **Amen**.





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NATIVE AMERICAN THANKS

The eagle give thanks for the mountains. (arms like wings, then become mountain peaks)

The fish give thanks for the sea. (hands together like swimming fish, then wave motion)

We give thanks for our blessings, (arms raised in front like receiving something being passed down from a height)

And for what we're about to receive. (*arms lowering, hands like they are holding something*)

DOO WA DITTY GRACE

Thank you for the food that we receive Singing doo wa ditty ditty dum ditty doo And thank you for bread and butter and the meat Singing doo wa ditty ditty dum ditty doo Looks good (echo: looks good) Tastes fine (echo: taste fine) Looks good, tastes fine We eat it all the time! Singing doo wa ditty ditty dum ditty doo. Lets Eat!

Thank You for the Food We Eat

Thank you for the food we eat, Hallelujah. Thank you for the friends we meet, Hallelujah. Thank you for the birds that sing, Hallelujah. Thank you Lord for everything, Hallelujah.

(It's easy for scouts to create new verses: Thank you for the clean latrines,

Hallelujah.

Thank you for the hot baked beans, Hallelujah.



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Earth Prayer – Janet Campbell

Great Spirit, Give us hearts to understand; Never to take from creations' beauty more than we give; Never to destroy wantonly for the furtherance of greed; Never to deny to give our hands for the building of earth's beauty; Never to take from her what we cannot use. Give us hearts to understand That to destroy earth's music is to blind us to beauty; That to callously pollute her fragrance is to make a house of stench: That as we care for her she will care for us.

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 the trees and woods, keep me fresh and pure; God of every lake and stream, flow through my life and make it clean; Let me do nothing base or mean. God of the rain, wash from my life all dirt and stain; Pure and strong let me remain. God of night and day, through shadows or light, be my stay. Guide my way. God of the radiant sun, light my life; God of the evening peace and quiet, keep me free from fear and strife. God of the glorious dawn, make each day a fresh start. God of the glorious dawn, make each day a fresh start. God of the free flying birds, sing in my heart. God of the surging waves and sea, wide horizons give to me; Help me to see the world as you would have it be; God of the morning dew, each day my faith renew. God of all growing things, keep me growing, **TOO**.



A SCOUT LAW Prayer (Responsive)

Dear Lord, bless all those everywhere who contribute to shape the hearts, minds, and bodies of young people. Let us remember what they have taught and apply it daily.

When facing deceit and dishonesty, let us be Trustworthy. If we see hypocrisy and faithlessness, let us be Loyal. Where disregard of others and mere materialism prevail, let us be Helpful. In an atmosphere of ill manner, let us be Courteous. Where some measure manliness in brutality and crudeness, let us be Kind. Though lawbreaking and rule-scoffing are common, let us be Obedient. While others grumble and grouch, let us be Cheerful. In an environment blighted by waste and extravagance, let us be Thrifty. When confronted with danger and temptation, let us be Brave. As we see filth and pollution everywhere, let us be Clean. While witnessing impiety and irreligion,

let us remember to be Reverent.

In short, in a world that has for generation after generation lamented the lack of good examples, let us, as Scouts, stand out, grow up, and be real adults. - Amen

Gathering Prayer

We gather here together, Surrounded by the beauty of nature: The fields and trees, The wind and water, and The hills and valleys. We gather here together, Joined in fellowship by friends: Some old and comforting Some new and Some that have yet to be made. Beauty and fellowship, each a gift from Thee. Lord, for all Your gifts, We thank You. – Amen



A Scouting Benediction

May the path be soft 'neath your feet. May the sun warm your back. May breezes lightly touch your face. May the light rain only come to help you sleep. And until the day we meet again,

May God's Almighty Hand guide you and support you.

Benediction

May your Lord be with you That He may defend you. Be within you That He may sustain you. Be before you That He may lead you. Be behind you That He protect you. And, Be above you That He may bless you.

Prayers of Thanks

(Milwaukee County Council)

Master of all, We thank you for the many blessings you have given us. Our friends, and families, Our food and shelter. Knowledge to reason things through Health so we can live in comfort. You have given us all we see and what we can't see. Thank you for giving of yourself to give us all that we have and need to survive. Thank you for your Promise to be with us always, as a guide and protector. Amen

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