# **Interfaith Worship Service**



W3-23-25



Call to worship - Dave

Song - Jen

**Scripture(s) or readings - Troop Guides** 

Responsive reading - Bill

Personal prayer - Tess

**Group prayer - Matt** 

Inspirational reading or message - Robert

Offering (World Friendship Fund) - Roy

An act of friendship - Reese

**Benediction - Amy** 

Moment of Silence/Reflection - Dave



# **Wood Badge Benediction**

And now in your journey, may the trail rise up to meet your stride,

May the sun shine softly on your backpack, May the cool, clean waters carry your canoe safely to your next portage,

May your Scouts find in you a fine example of the Adult they hope to be.

Peace be with you this day and forevermore



### A Moment of Silence

Please join me in a moment of silence to reflect on our experience.

When dismissed, please remain silent as you return to the lodge.

#### **An Act of Friendship**

During Catholic Mass, Jewish Shabbat, and Islamic Jum'ah there is a part we can call "offering a sign of peace".

Whether a Catholic "Peace be with you", Jewish "Shalom", or the Muslim "As-salamu alaykum" a faith leader may say "let us offer peace to one another" and congregants would then turn to each other and offer a handshake or other gesture of peace to those around them, or as an ongoing expression of greeting and peace between one another.

Whether you use one of these or one from your own faith system, please join me now in an offering of peace to one another.



# Call to Worship



# Count on Me A song by Bruno Mars

If you ever find yourself stuck in the middle of the sea

I'll sail the world to find you
If you ever find yourself lost in the dark and you
can't see
I'll be the light to guide you

We find out what we're made of When we are called to help our friends in need

You can count on me like one, two, three, I'll be there

And I know when I need it I can count on you like four, three, two and you'll be there

'Cause that's what friends are supposed to do, oh, yeah

Ooh-ooh-ooh Yeah, yeah

If you're tossin' and you're turnin' and you just can't fall asleep
I'll sing a song beside you
And if you ever forget how much you really mean to me
Every day, I will remind you, oh

#### OFFERING for the WORLD FRIENDSHIP FUND

The World Friendship Fund was developed by the Boy Scouts of America during the closing days of World War II. At the time, there was a great need to rebuild Scouting in nations that had been wracked by war and were just emerging from the shadows of totalitarianism. In the years that have elapsed, virtually every nation in the free world that has Scouting has been aided by the fund.

The World Friendship Fund of the BSA offers a practical Good Turn opportunity for BSA youth members and leaders. Cash contributions are used to assist Scouting through the World Organization of the Scout Movement and through national Scout associations in developing countries. Unit participation in the World Friendship Fund offers a unique annual service project to benefit our brother and sister Scouts around the world.

#### An Inspirational message

#### What Kind of Scout Should I be?

What kind of a Scout should I be?
Should I care more about us or more about me?
Should I shoulder the blame or pass the buck?
Should I help scouts prepare, or rely just on luck?
Do I Explain, Demonstrate, Guide and Enable?
Or, do I abuse my control, do it all 'cause I'm able?
If Scouts got grades, what grade would I get?
An "A" in Controlling, in Leadership, an "F"
Am I more concerned about me being first,
Than I am about helping the Scout who is the worst?

Should I be the best Player on the Team? Or be the best Team Player, and boost other's esteem?

What kind of Scout does God want me to be?
Can I do everything that He asks of me?
He says Be Prepared, Do Your Best
Live the Scout Oath, and he'll do the rest.
-Craig Mizutani, For W3-23-11-02



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And I know when I need it
I can count on you like four, three, two and you'll be there
'Cause that's what friends are supposed to do, oh, yeah

Ooh-ooh-ooh Yeah, yeah

You'll always have my shoulder when you cry I'll never let go, never say goodbye

You know you can count on me like one, two, three, I'll be there
And I know when I need it
I can count on you like four, three, two and you'll be there
'Cause that's what friends are supposed to do, oh, yeah

Ooh-ooh-ooh, ooh-ooh-ooh

You can count on me 'cause I can count on you



# The Golden Rule Around the World (Read by Troop guides.)

Sandie: Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. (Christianity: Matthew 7:12)

Michael: One should not behave towards others in a way which is disagreeable to oneself. This is the essence of morality. All other activities are due to selfish desire. (Hinduism: Mahabharata, Anusasana Parva 113:8)

Simon: That which is hateful to you, do not do to another. (Judaism: Shabbat 31a)

Bob: Not one of you is a believer until he loves for his brother what he loves for himself. (Islam: 40 Hadith of an-Nawawi 13)

Randy: A man should wander about treating all creatures as he himself would like to be treated. (Jainism: Sutrakritanga 1.11.33)

Reese: Try your best to treat others as you would wish to be treated yourself, and you will find that this is the shortest way to goodness. (Confucianism: Mancius VII.A.4)

Shanna: One going to take a pointed stick to pinch a baby bird should first try it on himself to feel how it hurts. (Youruba Proverb from Nigeria)

Mischelle: Blessed are those who prefer others before themselves. (Baha'i Faith)

Jen: Hurt not others in ways that you yourself would find hurtful. (Buddhism)



## **A Group Prayer**

Read together

I think over again my small adventures, My fears,

Those small ones that seemed so big, For all the vital things

I had to get and to reach.

And yet there is only one great thing, The only thing,

To live to see the great day that dawns And the light that fills the world.

#### -Innuit



#### A Personal Prayer:

The Physician's Prayer -- Jewish physician-philosopher Marcus Herz (1747-1803)

The eternal providence has appointed me to watch over the life and health of Thy creatures. May the love for my art actuate me at all times; may neither avarice nor miserliness, nor thirst for glory or for a great reputation engage my mind; for the enemies of truth and philanthropy could easily deceive me and make me forgetful of my lofty aim of doing good to Thy children.

May I never see in the patient anything but a fellow creature in pain.

Grant me the strength, time and opportunity always to correct what I have acquired, always to extend its domain; for knowledge is immense and the spirit of man can extend indefinitely to enrich itself daily with new requirements. Today he can discover his errors of yesterday and tomorrow he can obtain a new light on what he thinks himself sure of today.

Oh, God, Thou has appointed me to watch over the life and death of Thy creatures; here am I ready for my vocation and now I turn unto my calling.





# **Responsive Reading**

Leader: We live in all things. All things live in us.

All: We rejoice in all life.

Leader: We live by the sun. We move with the stars.

All: We rejoice in all life.

Leader: We eat from the earth. We drink from the rain.

We breathe from the air.

All: We rejoice in all life.

Leader: We share with the creatures. We have strength through their gifts.

All: We rejoice in all life.

Leader: We depend on the forests. We have knowledge through their secrets.

All: We rejoice in all life.

Leader: We have the privilege of seeing and understanding.

We have the responsibility of caring.

We have the joy of celebrating.

All: We rejoice in all life.

Leader: We are full of the grace. We are graceful.

We are grateful.

All: We rejoice in all life