

Opening Meditation

Cleansing

Thru the Veil

Crowning the Queen & King -

All: The Light, long smothered by Winter's chill, is now set free. The seed of life buried in the loam long ago springs forth anew. We, the children of the Goddess, on the verge of summer, remember warm days and seasons.

Men: We call on our Mother to return, to reclaim her domain and her throne of power.
(crown) Hail the Queen of the May!

Women: We call on our Father to return to let his flames melt our Goddess' heart once more. (crown) Hail the King of the May!

All: Thus do we mark this holy day.

Directions -

Queen: The life I bring you is a circle of life, death and rebirth; and from the darkened earth, the circle begins.

North: The seed, planted deep within the earth, awakens. Its roots pushing downward into the rich darkness; its stem thrusting upward into the world above.

East: Breaking through into the gentle breezes, the seedling unfurls its new leaves to feel the wind, stretching higher towards the sky.

South: With the warmth of the sun, the seedling blossoms into color, standing tall and proud beneath the radiant Sun. Its glory is loved by all.

West: But soon the bloom withers and fades away. The petals fall way to fruit, nourished and ripened with the falling rain.

King: And the seed-laden fruit, when succulent and full, falls away to the ground below, to be consumed by the earth once more.

All: So mote it be!

Casting – (Queen with mortar to the left, King with pestle to the right)

Lady of Flowers, Summer Bride, grace our circle with your gentle, joyful presence. Nurture our wishes, even as you nurture the child who grows in your womb. Welcome, Lady, welcome.

Lord of the Greenwood, Hawk of May, swift-moving stag, enfold us in your gentle, fierce embrace; father, brother, healer, lover, friend. Welcome, Lord, welcome.

All: As we do will, with harm to none, so mote it be!

Covenant – As we gather here in our sacred space, a circle is formed and we are connected in spirit.

Re-Blessing the circle –

WEST: One year ago, we named and blessed this circle as our hearth...

NORTH: our earth...

EAST: our circle...

SOUTH: our clan.

WEST: Demeter, bless our home.

NORTH: Artemis, protect our home.

EAST: Bona Dea, grace our home.

SOUTH: Sheila Na Gig, make generous our home.

WEST: Our hearth, Treibh na Tintean.

NORTH: Our earth, Treibh na Tintean.

EAST: Our circle, Treibh na Tintean.

SOUTH: Our clan, Treibh na Tintean.

WEST: We do so promise to live in peace...

NORTH: to respect nature...

EAST: to know ourselves...

SOUTH: and to love one another.

All: Blessed be!

Invocation –

Queen: Hail Lord, my son, my lover; you who are the Green One of the forest, the Great Stag of the hunt. I call out to you, take my hand and join with me upon this day.

King: Hail Lady, my mother, my lover; you who are the Maid of Spring, the Silvered Moon of the Night. I will take your hand and join with you on this day.

Queen: Male to female, phallus to womb, energy to formation.

King: Together they create and generate the gift of life.

Maypole – The Queen will lead the dance!

Faery Blessing and not to mention Faery Dust! –

All: With the return of Summer, we have more opportunity to catch a glimpse of those fey spirits who also bless this circle with their presence. Hail to the Fair Folk!

Communion – (Queen and King feed each other and then distribute.)

Queen: We have danced and now we drink and feast.

King: May you never hunger or thirst.

Opening the Circle by thanking God and Goddess –

- West: Sacred is the mating of our Lady and Lord.
- North: From their union the young God is formed, and everything prospers.
- East: Let this abundance touch our lives; that our goals may flourish too.
- South: We give thanks to the Lady and Lord for blessing our work.
- All: The circle is open but unbroken. Let's eat dinner!

Potluck inside

Procession of Fire – each person will carry a luminary out to the circle and set it at the edges of our circle.

Fire Jumping – adults only, please or with permission of guardian. Remember to state your desire/wish before you jump!

Drumming and Dancing – time to be silly and HAVE FUN!

Thanking God and Goddess –

- King: My Lady, my end draws near.
- Queen: With our joining, the fields will grow and ripen to harvest.
- King: Forget me not, for I will come again.
- Queen: You are already a part of me.
- All: (Sing, “The Earth, the Air, the Fire, the Water.”)
- All: The circle is opened again, but still unbroken. May the peace of the Goddess be forever your hearts. Merry meet and merry part and merry meet again!