

Appendix 6 to Troop 1140 Policy Handbook

GRACES FOR USE BY SCOUTS AND SCOUTERS

A Scout is Reverent

GOSHEN GRACE

For Goodness
For Opportunity
For Strength
For Happiness
For Enjoyment
For Nourishment
We thank Thee, O God.

WILDERNESS GRACE

*(also known as "Worth Ranch Grace" and
the "Philmont Grace")*
For Food
For Raiment
For Life
For Opportunity
For Friendship and (this) Fellowship
We thank Thee, O Lord.

MORNING GRACES

- 1) Gracious Giver of all good, We thank Thee for the rest and food. Grant all we do and say, Is in thy service today.
- 2) Our Father, we thank Thee for this new day and for Thy loving us. Help us to be mindful of Thee in these happy, sunlit hours.
- 3) Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for Thy care through the night and for this new day. Guide us by Thy Spirit and at close of this day may we not be ashamed before Thee.

NOON GRACES

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

EVENING GRACES

- 1) Tireless Guardian on our way, Thou hast kept us well this day. While we thank Thee, we request continued care, pardon and rest.
- 2) Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for this day and for Thy 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.
- 3) Our Father God, we thank Thee for this evening meal. As Thou hast been mindful of us, so help us to be mindful of Thee, that we may know and do Thy will.

OTHER GRACES

- 1) We thank Thee, our Heavenly Father, for this food; bless us as we partake of it that it may strengthen us for Thy service.

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- 2) For health and strength and daily food, we give Thee thanks, O God.
- 3) For this and all Thy mercies, God, make us grateful.
- 4) For food and health and friendship, we give thanks to Thee, O God. Be present at our table, Lord. Be here and everywhere adored. These mercies bless and grant that we may ever love and serve but Thee.
- 5) Morning (Noontime/Evening) is here, the board is spread. We thank Thee, Lord, for daily bread.

THE WAYFARER'S GRACE

For all the glory of the way,
For Thy protection night and day;
For roof-tree, fire, bed and board;
For friend and home, we thank
Thee Lord.

THE SEA BASE GRACE

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

NORTHERN TIER WILDERNESS GRACE (modified to include their canoeing program)

For food, for raiment,
For life and opportunity,
For sun and rain,
For water and portage trails,
For friendship and fellow ship,
We thank thee, Oh Lord. Amen.

Scouts may also say a blessing of their own, or may wish to look at other resources, such as:

<http://www.boyscouttrail.com/boy-scouts/boy-scout-graces.asp>

or

<http://usscouts.org/scoutduty/sd2gc61.asp>