

Troop 71

Macungie, PA      Chaplain : Jeff Bauer  
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**CALL TO WORSHIP :**

Chaplain :      The Lord is in His holy temple;  
                    Let all the earth keep silence before Him.

**Hymn : This is My Father's World**

This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears,  
All nature sings, and round me rings,  
The music of the spheres

This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise,  
The morning light, the lily white  
Declare their Maker's praise.

This is my Father's world, He shines in all that's fair;  
In the rustling grass, I hear Him pass,  
He speaks to me everywhere.

**Prayer of Invocation** (Chaplain) : Send your Holy Spirit on this gathering of seeking people, O God of our salvation. Open our hearts to receive your gifts. Open our minds to think new thoughts. Open our hands in generous sharing. Open our lips to declare your praise. Keep us from pious pretension, that we may approach you with genuine yearning to please you, not to impress others. We hear you calling us: Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation. Here we are, God. We seek your healing touch. Amen

The Camper's Prayer

**ALL :**

**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.**

**Kum Ba Ya**

Kum ba ya, My Lord, Kum ba ya.  
Kum ba ya, My Lord, Kum ba ya.  
Kum ba ya, My Lord, Kum ba ya.  
Oh Lord, Kum ba ya.

Some one's crying Lord, Kum ba ya.

Some one's laughing Lord, Kum ba ya.

Some one's shouting Lord, Kum ba ya.

Some one's praying Lord, Kum ba ya.

Kum ba ya, My Lord Kum ba ya.

**BENEDICTION**

Chaplain :      Dear God, thank you for bringing us together as a family in Scouting. Give us the strength to endure, the wisdom to enjoy each moment, and the courage to push ourselves further than we ever have before. Bless each of the Boys and Leaders as we continue our journey through Scouting.  
Amen.

**All - A Scout is Thrifty**

Leader - Each of us can face danger even though we are afraid. We have the courage to stand for what we think even if others laugh or threaten us. There will be danger, difficult tasks, and temptations. In choices of courage or cowardice, with the help of God, we will choose courage.

**All - A Scout is Brave**

Leader - Cleanliness is next to Godliness. A clean person keeps his body and mind clean and fit. He only goes around with other people who believe in living by these same ideals. He helps keep his home and community clean.

**All - A Scout is Clean**

Leader - A person's character is determined by the things that he worships. If we respect ourselves and our fellow men, and see them as gifts of the goodness of God, we live on a high plain. We show our faithfulness to God by the way that we participate in our religion and by the way that we respect the beliefs of others.

**All - A Scout is Reverent**

Leader - Let us pray together

**All - Give us clean hands, clean words, and clean thoughts, O God. Teach us to work hard and play fairly. Forgive us when we are unkind, and help us forgive others who are unkind to us. Keep us ready to help others. Send us to do a good turn each day and so live after your will. Help us to remember that those who are in Christ Jesus, need not fear, for he is with us always. We pray our prayer in name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**God of the seed and soil, plant in my heart Thy love;  
God of the darkness and day, through shadows or light, be 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 happy, free birds, sing in my heart.**

**God of the surging waves and sea, wide horizons give to me;  
Help me to see the world as Thou would have it be;  
God of the lovely rose, make me lovely too;  
God of the morning dew, each day my faith renew.  
God of all growing things, keep me growing too. AMEN.**

**Collect :** Let us pray.

Merciful God, whose grace is poured out in extravagant abundance on all who open themselves to receive it, guide our Lenten journey that our prayers may be frequent and genuine, our speech truthful and kind, our mourning healing and hopeful, our fasting thoughtful and full of praise. In all things, help us to endure, that our lives may enrich the journey of all who come in contact with us. Amen

**SCRIPTURE LESSON :**

Old Testament Lesson : Joel 2:1-2, 12-17

Epistle Lesson : 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

Gospel Lesson : Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

**The Lord's Prayer :**

**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 us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

**WORSHIP MESSAGE :** Time to Mend What is Torn

## **PRAYER CONCERNS OF THE TROOP**

### **CHAPLAIN'S PRAYER**

Leader - It is the mission of the Boy Scouts of America to serve others by helping them to instill values in young people and, in other ways, prepare them to make ethical choices over their lifetime. Many of the values that we seek to instill are contained in the Scout Law.

#### **Please join the Scouts as we read “A Scout Litany” :**

Leader - Trustworthy, a word made up of two other words, trust and worthy. A person who is worthy of trust does not lie, cheat, or steal. He recognizes his obligations and does them without being watched or compelled.

#### **All - A Scout is Trustworthy**

Leader - Supporting your family, friends, Scout leaders, school, nation, and world community, through both good times and difficult times is the mark of a deserving person. We all owe much to many, and to God.

#### **All - A Scout is Loyal**

Leader - The story of the “Good Samaritan” showed the spirit and value of doing a “Good Turn.” A person who is concerned about other people willingly volunteers to help others without expecting payment or reward.

#### **All - A Scout is Helpful**

Leader - A stranger is a new friend that I haven't met before. A friend seeks to understand other people, and respects their right to be different in their ideas, customs, race, and religion. Even when we choose to disagree, we should always remain friends.

#### **All - A Scout is Friendly**

Leader - Being polite to everyone regardless of their age or position is the mark of a person with manners. Good manners make it easier for people to get along. When a person does thoughtful acts and has a kindly respect for everyone, he shows others that he has respect for himself.

#### **All - A Scout is Courteous**

Leader - The Golden Rule tell us that we should treat other people as we want to be treated. Jesus has taught us that there is a tremendous strength in being gentle. We should never harm or kill anything without reason.

#### **All - A Scout is Kind**

Leader - Life is filled with things that we must do whether we like them or not. We have rules for our families, school, and troop. One of the marks of growing up is our readiness to accept responsibility willingly, and our readiness to follow the rules.

#### **All - A Scout is Obedient**

Leader - Have you ever noticed that it is much nicer to be around a person who looks for the bright side of life than someone who always sees the dark side? Seek out reasons to be joyful and you will be rewarded with happiness.

#### **All - A Scout is Cheerful**

Leader - Our Country was built by people who worked to pay their way and saved for the future. Our future is protected by people who protect and conserve our natural resources. A wise person uses his time, talents, and other gifts from God with care.

## **A Teenager's Prayer**

God in heaven, I am young and don't understand what it is like to be a parent, but it must be very hard because so many people are failing at it these days.

I pray for Mom and Dad , God, that you will help them to be good parents—strong in the ways you want them to be, so I can look up to them with admiration and feel confident that their instruction is right.

Help me, dear Lord, to understand my parents. Remind me that when I don't get my way, it is because they love me and not because they want to be mean or deprive me of good time.

Help me, God, when I become stubborn and refuse to listen, to accept the fact that they have wisdom and experience because they were once teenagers, but, I have never been a parent.

Put in my heart the respect and consideration they deserve for their years of hard work and sacrifice. They raised me the best way they could. Let me not repay them with grief or shame. Rather, help me to give them obedience, respect, forgiveness and love.

Most of all, God, while I still have parents here on earth, help me appreciate them and let them know that I do.

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