

You don't have to create a special liturgy to celebrate Scout Sunday. The important thing is just to be present and be recognized as a way of providing service and of giving thanks to the congregation for chartering your unit. Just invite your Scouts to attend in uniform and to participate as age appropriate in parts of the normal worship service: as ushers, greeters, scripture readers, or offering meditations. As an adult leader, I have been a communion assistant while in uniform. Finally, my pastor offered a special prayer for Scout Sunday several years ago.

Scout Sunday Prayer
(by Rev James M. Krach, LCMS, February 2012)

We pray for the Scouts among us and for all people.

Because we have failed in the trust others placed in us, we pray for forgiveness and for renewal to be **trustworthy**.

For strength to be **loyal** to our calling in baptism as his disciples in the world.

For forgiveness when we saw the need to help and passed that need by, when we failed to ask if we could be **helpful** to a friend or a stranger.

For the spirit to be **friendly** to all people and even to those who are unfriendly to us.

For the gift of courtesy to all people but especially to be **courteous** to the elderly, the disabled, and little children.

For a heart that rejoices in being **kind** to people, to animals, and to earth on which we live.

For the will to discipline ourselves to be **obedient** to the will of our God, and not to our selfish desires.

For a **cheerful** spirit to see us through disappointing events in our lives, for a faith that believes God will bring some good even from events that cause us pain and sadness.

For an appreciation that all that we have is the gift of our gracious God, for a mind and a heart that will be **thrifty** in managing the resources God has entrusted to our care.

For the courage not to be afraid of doing what is right and to be **brave** in working for justice.

For the will to work to keep **clean** our minds, our hearts, and our land.

For the gift of being **reverent** to God who values all that he has created; for reverence for people, for animal life, for the earth and all its resources—all precious in God's sight.

Lord in Your mercy,
hear our prayer