

## Lughnasadh Outline

8/4/18

1. Grove Attunement
2. Invocation and Offering to Crom Dudh- **offering of wheat and flower**
3. Processional Song- *Come We Now as a People*
4. Purification of Participants- as we sing the Processional Song
5. Musical Signal- Conk Shell
6. Invocation to the Earth Mother (Tailtiu) and **offering of bread**
7. Invocation to Sky Father and **offering of incense**

8. Invocation for Bardic Inspiration  
*O Bridget, our heart, our brightest queen  
Cast your blessings unto us.  
We are your children and you are our mother,  
So hearken unto us.  
You are the cauldron now in our Grove,  
Wise woman inspire us.  
O Fire of Love, O Fire of Life  
Please Bridget, come to us!  
**An offering of honey is made to Brighid!**  
Lyrics by Isaac Bonewits*

9. Purpose and Precedent- to include that we are here to celebrate the Lughnasadh

Welcome Children of the Earth!

We have held our games of skill and strength and today we crown a new champion!  
The young bull replaces the old and will now take up the Spear of Lugh and lead  
our community in celebration this day.

Today we gather as a community to celebrate the first harvest, the Feast of  
Lughnasadh, and honor Lugh, the Many Skilled One.

We shall sing his praise and make our sacrifice, seeking his blessings in return.  
May all who gather this eve be welcome among us!

10. Fire, Well and Tree - *Portal Song-All in song*  
(offerings incense, silver, and incense/water)
11. Recreation of the Cosmos- **All**- *The Waters Support and Surround Us...*
12. Opening the Gates-Invocation and Offering to Manannan

Manannan Mac Lir, aid us to stand at the center of all worlds.

Sacred Fires ignite the waters of the earth.

Primal Waters, feed the order of the cosmos.

World Tree, join the heavens with the earth.

***Striking a sigil over the fire.***

Let these flames carry our praise and sacrifice to the Shining Ones.

***Striking a sigil over the well.***

Let these waters carry our praise and sacrifice to the Mighty Dead.

***Striking a sigil upon the tree.***

Let this tree connect the worlds as they become one in this place.

By the land before us!

By the seas about us!

By the sky above us!

Let the Gates Be Open!

**All:** Let the Gates Be Open!

We now stand at the center of all worlds!

13. Invocation to the Nature Spirits and offering
14. Invocation to the Ancestors and offering
15. Invocation to the Shining and Chthonic Ones and offering

***All in song***

*Let our voices arise on the fire,*

*Let our voices resound in the deep,*

*Let the Kindred accept what we offer,*

*As we honor the old ways we keep.*

***Repeat 3x***

Kindred, accept our offering!

**All:** Kindred, accept our offering!

16. The Story of Lugh

## 17. Invocation to Lugh

Bright Hero of the Tuatha  
Wielder of the Spear of Glorias  
And Master of Many Arts.

Mighty Young Bull of the first harvest  
Great Guardian of roads and travelers  
Champion, Protector and King

With your protection our community may prosper....  
With your blessing we may we reap a good harvest...  
With your guidance we shall sharpen our skill!

Lugh we honor you with our words,  
Lugh we honor you with our work  
Lugh we honor you with our will.  
***An offering of wheat bread & honey is made.***  
Lugh, accept our offering!  
**All:** Lugh, accept our offering!

Invitation for Praise Offerings

## 18. Prayer of Sacrifice

Energy Raising Sacrifice

## 19. Omen

## 20. Blessing of the Waters- Carrion & Chris

***The following words will be spoken over the pitchers.***

As in the ways of old we have given our gifts freely and as in the ways of old a gift is given unto us in return.

We will drink deep of the Cup of Inspiration. May the blessings of health, wealth and wisdom be ours.

Lugh, give us the waters!

**All:** Lugh, give us the waters!

We gather with you between Earth and Sky. We are proud to call ourselves your people.

Once again, Lugh, give us the waters!

**All:** Lugh, give us the waters!

We have brought our offerings. We have made our sacrifice.

One last time, Lugh, give us the waters!

**All:** Lugh, give us the waters!

***The pitchers are lifted saluting the fire, well and tree.***

Hallowing the Waters

Behold the Waters of Life!

Many Skilled One, hear and bless us.  
Lugh of the Long Arm, Master of Many Arts, hallow these Waters of Life.  
***The pitchers are lifted before the participants.***  
Behold the Waters of Life!  
**All:** Behold the Waters of Life!

Affirmation of the Blessing

Now Children of the Earth and Sky, do you wish to receive the blessings of Lugh?  
\_\_\_\_\_. Then we shall drink deep his blessings!

As the blessings are passed the Bard will lead the chant, “Blessings of the Holy Ones”.

**Blessing of the Waters**

*The Blessings of the Holy Ones*  
*Be on me and mine*  
*My blessings on all beings*  
*With peace on the and thyn.*  
*The fire, the well, the sacred tree*  
*Flow and flame and grow in me.*  
By Ian Corrigan

21. The Work-Fostering Skills and Blessings Upon Them

22. Thank Yous- olive oil-

-Lugh  
-Shining and Chthonic Ones  
-Ancestors  
-Noble Spirits  
-Bardic Inspiration  
-Gatekeeper-**Manannan**  
-Sky Father-Tyr  
-Earth Mother  
Final Attunement  
Musical Signal-Conk Shell  
We will keep the faith... All  
Recessional Chant-*For All Time*

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