

Sample Prayers and Readings for *Girl Scouts Celebrate Faith Services*

Prayer for Jewish Girl Scouts

O, Lord, our God, we ask your blessing upon us and upon our sister Girl Scouts. Give us strength of character and of purpose so that we may fulfill our Promise and faithfully obey our Law. Teach us to understand that by living up to the ideals of our Movement we are helping to repair our world for ourselves and all people. AMEN.

Prayer for Catholic Girl Scouts

Dear Jesus, we ask you to bless us and all other Girl Scouts. Give us grace to serve you and our country, and to keep our Girl Scout Promise and Law. Make us humble and friendly, eager for adventure, alert, and prepared for service. Give us the courage to dare to do right; make us both strong to fight and steadfast to endure; and may our lives be filled with joy that spreads happiness everywhere. AMEN.

Prayer for Protestant Christian Girl Scouts

Gracious One, we know we are your children, we want to serve you faithfully, and we want to keep our Girl Scout Promise. Help us to listen to your voice; help us to be willing and quick to do your work; help us to be friendly and loving; and help us to thank you every day for all your gifts to us. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

Prayer for Hindu Girl Scouts

O Lord God Almighty, may there be peace in celestial regions. May there be peace on earth. May the waters be appealing. May herbs be wholesome, and may trees and plants bring peace to all. May all beneficent beings bring peace to us. May your Vedic law propagate peace all through the world. May all things be a source of peace to us. And may your peace itself bestow peace on all.

Prayer for Muslim Girl Scouts

In the name of God, the compassionate, the merciful. Look with compassion on the whole human family; remove from us the arrogance, divisions, and hatred that have infected our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; reunite us in bonds of love; and guide us as we work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may jointly serve you in justice, peace, and harmony. AMEN.

Prayer for Buddhist Girl Scouts

As a Buddhist Girl Scout,
I go to the Buddha for guidance.
I go to the dharma for guidance.
I go to the sangha for guidance.

May all beings be happy and joyous. May they live without fear. Understanding interdependence and compassion, I know that what I do now affects my happiness or unhappiness and also that of others. May all existence—human and others—whether weak or strong, small or great, near or far and throughout time, all attain perfect peace.

Prayer for Native American Girl Scouts

Oh Great Spirit, whose voice we hear in the winds, and whose breath gives life to all the world. Hear me! We are small and weak; we need your strength and wisdom. Let us walk in beauty and make our eyes ever behold the red and purple sunset. Make our hands respect the things you have made and our ears sharp to hear your voice. Let us learn the lessons you have hidden in every leaf and rock. Make us wise so that we may understand. We seek strength to understand your lessons you have taught to us.

A Girl Scout Prayer

Lord, help us to be good Girl Scouts, ones whom the world can trust.
Help us to respect our neighbors' rights, and never be unjust.
Help us as Americans, to be worthy of the flag we bear.
Help us as real Girl Scouts, to be proud of the uniform we wear.
Help us to be clean, Dear Lord, in thought, word, and deed.
Help us to follow the law that is in the Girl Scout creed.
Help us to love all people of the world, and then to serve them, too.
Help our actions to count, Dear Lord, in everything we do.
Help give us strength to carry on and do our part each day.
Make a place in this world for us and help us fill it, we pray.
Make us what we ought to be, and in thy footsteps fall.
Help us to live for others, O great Troop Leader of us all.