Thank you for joining us for our First Harvest Feast! Our next holiday gathering will be in Indy at Garfield Park on September 19th at 4 pm. You can find more details about upcoming holidays, classes, and free printables on our website:

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2021 First Harvest Ritual







Preparation

A circle is poured with oats or cornmeal around the sacred space and candles are lit at each corner. Participants cleanse each other with smoke and blessed water before cleansing the circle. The altar is prepared with bread, cider, and tealights for each person.

The Ritual

All stand in a circle facing the altar and join hands.

"We gather on this day, to honor the First Harvest, the festival of bread and grain."

The bread is set upon the altar.

"The harvest of the grain that sustains us is brought through death and rebirth. The Lord of the Land gives his body and his energy so that we, his children, can grow and thrive. Blessed be the Lord of the Land, whose love for his children knows no bounds. In this time of harvest and sacrifice, may we remember to give freely to others, just as the Earth gives freely to each of us."

Acting High Priestess raises the bread above the altar.

"May the Lord of the Land bless this bread that we eat in honor of the cycle of Life that created it, and all living things."

AHP lights the candles for the God and Goddess.

"Lord and Lady of the field, we are blessed by your gifts from the soil. May the power of the God and Goddess be with us at in this moment, and throughout the year. May we never forget that we are one with the Earth, the Universe, and the Divine."

Each participant visualizes what they want to harvest from the hard work of this last year. Hold the bread over the tealights before joining hands and chanting:

"Hoof and Horn, Hoof and Horn,
All that dies shall be reborn.
Corn and Grain, corn and grain,
All that falls shall rise again"

Give an offering to the Earth. As you break bread and pass it, bless the person beside you by saying "May you never hunger". As you pass the cider, say "May you never thirst".

