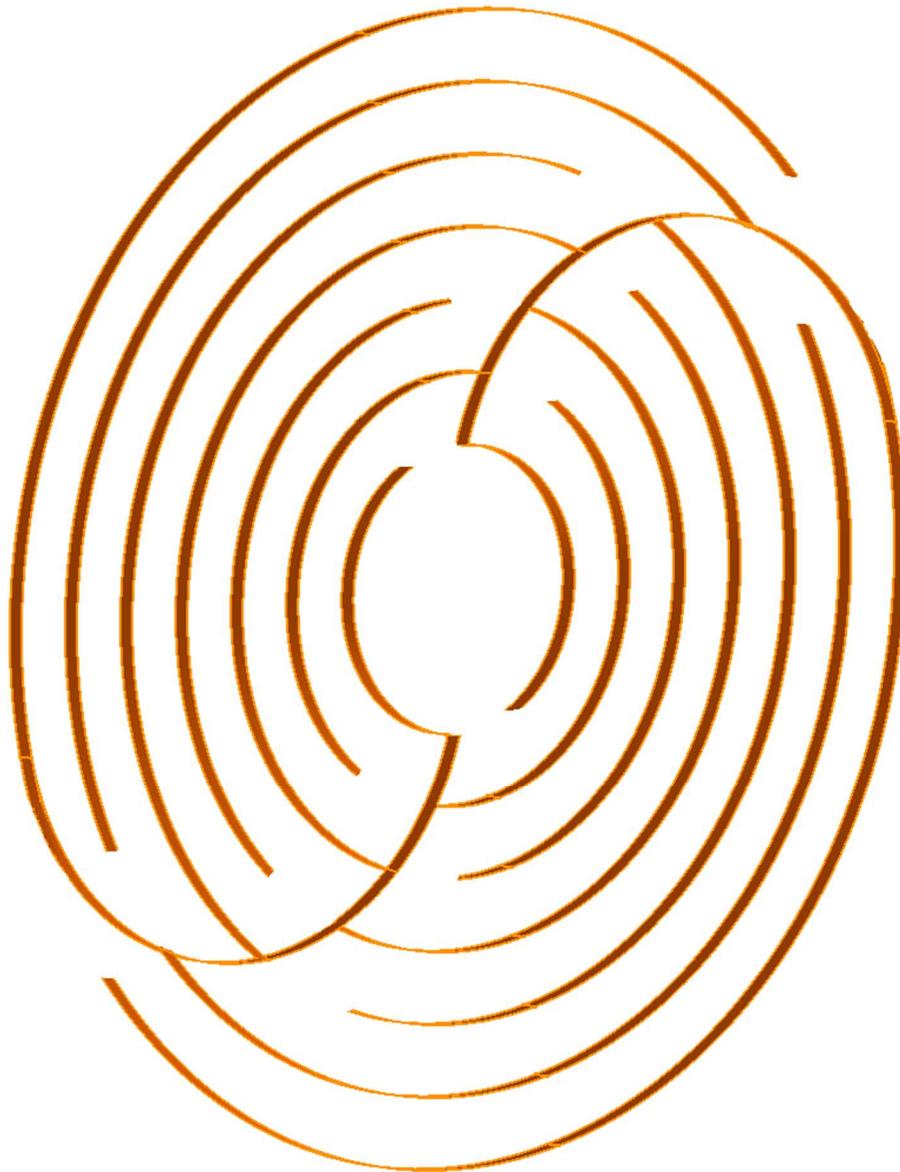


Ancient Sea Island Continuum



*Samhain 2014:
The Remembrance*

RITUAL SPACE PREPARATION

The Column of Memories stands in the center of the Labyrinth, with the Pentagram upon the top, backlit. Place table for Help of Beaufort & UUFB donations inside Building A. Small card size pieces of paper with burned edges & a pen for writing names are on the table along with tacks. Folding chairs fill the corners of the room.



SMUDGING

As celebrants enter, each will be cleansed with sage ...

Fire & Earth To join the circle & work arcane
Bring goodness in, leave the profane.
With heart & mind, flesh & bone,
Enter now our sacred home.

Water & Air Take a piece of paper,
Write down the name of a loved one to honor,
Pin it to the Column of Memories.
Now find your place in the corners of the room.

When everyone has been smudged in & placed their paper on the column, Quarters sweep circle boundaries, then...

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Guide Merry meet! (*...description of the sabbat, etc.*)

CONSECRATIONS

Guide Blessed Be, Instruments of Light,
Tools now of magick with power & might.
Element of (Earth, Air, Fire, Water),
I cleanse & consecrate thee
In the names of the Lord & Lady.
I bring their blessings upon you now.
So mote it be.

Guide hands the representation of the element to a Quarter who takes up that element & circles the boundary once deosil while reciting the corresponding blessing below:

Quarters

Powers of (Earth, Air, Fire, Water), this circle
grace. Purify, cleanse, & bless this space.



Guide Let us now call the quarters & unite our circle.

Air All hail to the Guardians & Elementals
Of the Eastern Watchtower.

All We call the East!

Come!
Bring forth your insight & elemental power.

We call on Air!

Great ones of the East,
We welcome you.

Welcome!

Guard & guide us well.
So mote it be.

So mote it be!

Fire All hail to the Guardians & Elementals
Of the Southern Watchtower.

We call the South!

Come!
Bring forth your inspiration & elemental power.

We call on Fire!

Great ones of the South,
We welcome you.

Welcome!

Guard & guide us well.
So mote it be.

So mote it be!

Water

All hail to the Guardians
& Elementals of the Western Watchtower.

We call the West!

Come!

Bring forth your wisdom & elemental power.

We call on Water!

Great ones of the West,
We welcome you.

Welcome!

Guard & guide us well.
So mote it be.

So mote it be!

Earth

All hail to the Guardians & Elementals
Of the Northern Watchtower.

We call the North!

Come!

Bring forth your protection & elemental power.

We call on Earth!

Great ones of the North,
We welcome you.

Welcome!

Guard & guide us well.
So mote it be.

So mote it be!

LORD INVOCATION

Herne

Circle in the Greenwood

Guide

Let us now invite the Lord to our circle by
chanting his strengths until he hears our call.

All Herne, Horned One
Hunter 'neath the northern sun
Watcher at the gates of winter
Flame on the wind *(repeat 3x)*

LADY INVOCATION

Ancient Mother

Robert Gass

Guide Let us now sing to the Lady & recognize Her in our midst.

All Ancient Mother, I hear you calling.
Ancient Mother, I hear your sound.
Ancient Mother, I hear your laughter,
Ancient Mother, I taste your tears. *(repeat 3x)*

CIRCLE CASTING

Quarters circle deosil with left hand pointing to circle boundary saying...

All Round & round the Circle's cast,
Joining present, future & the past,
A sacred place, a world apart,
Where powers merge & magick starts.

Round & round the Circle's cast,
Joining present, future & the past,
This sacred space shall now be bound,
As we cast this Circle round.

Round & round the Circle's cast,
Joining present, future & the past,
Thrice is the Circle cast this night
And now begins our magick rite.

Once the circle has been cast, Quarters return to their directions, then...

All **As above, so below** *(repeat*
As within, so without *three*
As the universe, so the soul *times)*

POEM

A Prayer to the Ancestors

This is the night
When the gateway
Between our world
And the spirit world is thinnest.
Tonight is a night
To call out those who came before.
Tonight we honor our ancestors.
Spirits of our fathers & mothers,
We call to you,
And welcome you to join us for this night.
You watch over us always,
Protecting & guiding us,
And tonight we thank you.
Your blood runs in our veins,
Your spirit is in our hearts,
And your memories are in our souls.
With the gift of remembrance.
We remember all of you.
You are dead but never forgotten,
And you live on within us,
And within those who are yet to come.

Guide

As you journey this night through the labyrinth,
We'll build our magick saying these words:

All

Remember, Love, Honor, Believe.

As you recite this chant, allow your conscience
To silently complete the sentence
According to your faith.

For example as you recite the words aloud,
Let your mind focus on what it is you remember
What you love most about them,
Then how you honor their life
And what your faith path believes
Happens after death
(Heaven, reincarnation, food for the Earth, etc.).

On a pacing of two cycles of the chant, the Guide allows a new person to enter the labyrinth. As each person navigates the labyrinth, they recite these four words in sync with the Quarters, then enter the Column of Memories & recite them one more time. The person on the spirit side of the veil says them back, as if in confirmation or blessing, then turns & exits the Column, navigating the labyrinth back to their place in the Circle.

Earth ***Remember***

Air ***Love***

Fire ***Honor***

Water ***Believe***

After all have journeyed through the labyrinth...

WORDS FROM THE ANCIENT SEA ISLAND CONTINUUM

VALEDICTIONS

We all come from the Goddess Z.Budapest/ Ritual Music f. Reclaiming

All **We all come from the Goddess**
And to Her we shall return
Like a drop of rain
Flowing to the ocean. *(repeat twice)*

Hoof & horn, hoof & horn
All that dies shall be reborn
Corn & grain, corn & grain
All that falls shall rise again. *(repeat twice)*

Guide Dear Lady, Great Mother of many aspects,
Maiden, Mother, & Crone.

Blessed be!

We thank you
For attending our rite & blessing us.

We thank the Lady!

Hail! Farewell, & blessed be.

Hail & farewell!

Guide Dear Lord, Great Father of many aspects,
Father of the Hunt, Lord of Death, & Rebirth.

Blessed be!

We thank you
For attending our rite & blessing us.

We thank the Lord!

Hail! Farewell, & blessed be.

Hail & farewell!

Earth

Guardians & Elementals
Of the Northern Watchtower.

Blessed be!

We thank you
For your protection & elemental power.

We thank the North!

Great ones of the North,
Return now from whence you came.

Release the Earth!

Hail!
Farewell, & blessed be.

Hail & farewell!

Water

Guardians & Elementals
Of the Western Watchtower.

Blessed be!

We thank you
For your wisdom & elemental power.

We thank the West!

Great ones of the West,
Return now from whence you came.

Release the Water!

Hail!
Farewell, & blessed be.

Hail & farewell!

Fire

Guardians & Elementals
Of the Southern Watchtower.

Blessed be!

We thank you
For your inspiration & elemental power.

We thank the South!

Great ones of the South,
Return now from whence you came.

Release the Fire!

Hail!
Farewell, & blessed be.

Hail & farewell!

Air

Guardians & Elementals
Of the Eastern Watchtower.

Blessed be!

We thank you
For your insight & elemental power.

We thank the East!

Great ones of the East,
Return now from whence you came.

Release the Air!

Hail!
Farewell, & blessed be.

Hail & farewell!

CLOSING

Guide

With perfect love & perfect trust,
We close our sacred rite, as say we must....

All

**The Circle is open but never broken!
Merry meet, merry part, & merry meet again!**



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