New / Full moon Ritual – Template

Notes:

- Sections are marked in [Brackets]. Non-spoken directions are in *Italics and stars*
- Some sections have multiple versions. Select one and delete the others before distributing the ritual to other people.

Materials

- Candles for each of the elements. Preferred are Yellow, Red, Blue, Green
- Candles to represent Goddess / God. Preferred are Silver and Gold.

[Introduction]

"I cast this circle with loving care Sacred space we prepare The energy is gathered, the circle claims We now do the Goddess's bidding again."

[Call The Quarters]

Light each candle as the quarter is called.

East: I call upon the spirits of air who guard and protect the gateway to the eastern realm, I beckon and call you forth from the far corner of the universe wherein you dwell. Winds of change, strength of tornadoes, bear witness to this rite and give us your aid! Gentle breeze that carries the seed to fertile soil, descend into this temple and grant us your blessing. Realm of the Dawning Star, land of sunrise and of springtime, bestow upon us your gifts of inspiration and song.

We seek to know thee, we seek to honor thee. By the air that is our breath, we charge thee, be here now!

To the East and the spirits of air, we bid thee hail and welcome!

South: I call upon the spirits of fire who guard and protect the gateway to the southern realm, I beckon and call you forth from the far corner of the universe wherein you dwell. Candle flame and hearth fire,come into this circle and lend warmth to our hearts. Strength of wildfire and volcano, descend into this temple and grant us your blessing Brilliant orb of the high noon heat, realm of the risen sun, bestow upon us your gifts of fiery passion and inspiration.

By the fire in our hearts, we charge thee, be here now!

To the South and the spirits of fire, we bid thee hail and welcome!

West: I call upon the spirits of water who guard and protect the gateway to the western realm, I beckon and call you forth from the far corner of the universe wherein you dwell. Ocean depths, cradle of life, come into this circle and show the truth of our visions. Strength of storm and tides, descend into this temple and grant us your blessing. Gentle rain that nourishes and cleanses, realm of the setting sun, bestow upon us your gifts of

intuition and mystery.

By the water in our blood, we charge thee, be here now!

To the West and the spirits of water, we bid thee hail and welcome!

North: I call upon the spirits of earth who guard and protect the gateway to the northern realm,

I beckon and call you forth from the far corner of the universe wherein you dwell.

Gaia, Demeter, Earth Mother, come into this circle and manifest the power of your divine law. Strength of earthquake and of mountain, descend into this temple and grant us your blessing.

North Star, navigator's star, that which calls all other directions unto itself, realm of winter and of midnight, bestow upon us your gifts of strength.

By the earth that is our body, we charge thee, be here now!

To the North and the spirits of earth, we bid thee hail and welcome!

[Call The Goddess / God]

"I call upon the Gods and Goddesses known by many names

All are different, but all the same

Your children need to bond and prepare

To keep our promise of love and care

We ask your presence here tonight

Help us with all your loving might "

[Rite of Power]

"Close your eyes: relax and go inside yourself. Become aware of your Heart Chakra, and imagine a ball of white light within it.

This is the light of the Eternal Flame, your connection to Goddess –the Divine Spark within you. In this ball of light is love, and

peace, and strength. Feel the love and power in the light –the love of the Goddess.

"Now imagine that ball of white light expanding –see it grow larger, filling your chest. Imagine it growing to fill your torso, moving

out farther to encompass your arms and legs. See the ball of light expanding beyond your body, to form a ball of light around you.

Feel the energy of the light: feel it surrounding you: feel it suffusing you. You are safe in the ball of light, for it is the light of the

Goddess, and in it are strength, and love, and peace.

"Relax. Feel yourself floating within the ball of light. Let the ball of light lift you, carry you. Feel yourself rising up, gently carried by

the ball of light, supported by the love of the Goddess.

"Imagine that you are floating, gently carried along by the night breeze. Comfortable. Safe. Supported by the love of the Goddess.

"The Earth is far below and the stars are all around you. Below you see buildings, and roads, and trees, and rivers –but it is all far

away from you. You are simply, peacefully floating.

"Consider your life for a moment, now that you are far from it, floating in the sky. What is important to you at this point in life?

Think of a goal that you wish to work for. Something which you want to develop or to do.

Something which you want to see prosper.

Concentrate upon your goal. Imagine the goal strongly.

"Imagine the ball of light coming down to Earth now. Imagine it coming to a rest in a clearing in the woods. The image of the ball

of light fades from around you, but its protection remains. Look about you: what do you see? What is the condition of the woods?

How does it make you feel?

"Imagine yourself forming a ball of light between your two hands. A ball of clear, white light. In that ball, imagine your goal fulfilled.

See the goal accomplished, within the ball of light which is between your hands. Focus and concentrate upon your goal.

"Now you will see a seed appear at the center of the ball of light between your hands. A single seed, glowing with light as if a tiny

sun were within it.

"Make a little hole in the soil before you, and plant the seed. Cover it over. And look into the sky above you –there you will see the

first sliver of the waxing Crescent Moon. Speak to Her. Ask Her to send down Her light upon your seed.

"Now imagine a shower of white light raining down from the New Moon, and in the white light are millions of tiny, glittering silver

stars. It only lasts a few moments, but it is indescribably beautiful, scintillating with energy.

"In front of you, you see a tiny shoot poke up through the ground. The shoot stretches upward, slowly growing into a sapling. As

you watch, the sapling grows into a tree.

"The tree grows larger and larger. It grows taller than you. Then it grows taller than you can see. The branches of the tree spread

out above you, reaching out in every direction -full of green leaves.

"And in the tree you begin to see living things. Birds, animals –every kind of animal. Small animals that you would expect to see in

a tree, like squirrels: big animals that you would not expect to see in a tree, like water buffalo. Aquatic creatures too, seemingly

out of place. And people: all kinds of people throughout the branches of the tree. For this is the tree of life, and all life is in the tree.

"And moving through the branches of the tree, you perceive the Great Dragon, Uktena –the Ourobouros, the Tao: the movement

of creation. To big to truly see it, yet you feel it and catch glimpses of it among the branches.

"And then, up among the branches, you see it –Your goal. Fulfilled and successful, the goal appears already accomplished in the

branches of the tree. Claim it as your own. Accept, and give thanks for it.

"Now you begin to see the glittering light of the New Moon begin to shine through the branches of the tree: white with millions of

tiny, glittering stars sparkling throughout it. The light shines brighter, and brighter. It spreads out from the tree –it suffuses everything.

You are engulfed in the glittering white light: it is all you can see: it fills you completely. And

in the light is love, and joy, and peace...

"And the image fades. And you return slowly to yourself. On the count of three, you are back: One, slowly returning to the body:

Two, a little more, almost there: Three, you are back, refreshed and invigorated."

[Dismiss The Goddess / God]
I call upon the Gods and Goddesses this hour
To help us with this work of power
As always we thank and wish you well
We bid you hail and farewell

[Dismiss The Quarters]

Snuff each candle as the quarter is called.

Guardian of the Watchtowers of the North, Spirits of Earth!

We give thanks to you for your presence at this rite.

We ask now that the tremors of earthquakes recede back to the far corner of the universe from whence they came, ere you depart for your lovely realms.

Go in peace and go in power.. Until we have need to call upon

you again, to the North and the Spirits of Earth, we bid thee hail and farewell.

Guardian of the Watchtowers of the West, Spirits of Water!

We give thanks to you for your presence at this rite.

We ask now that the mighty waves subside and that the tides ebb and recede back to the far corner of the universe from whence they came, ere you depart for your lovely realms. Go in peace and go in power. Until we have need to call upon you again, to the West and the Spirits of Water, we bid thee hail and farewell.

Guardian of the Watchtowers of the South, Spirits of Fire!

We give thanks to you for your presence at this rite.

We ask now that the raging flames die down to gently glowing embers as you recede back to the far corner of the universe from whence you came, ere you depart for your lovely realms. Go in peace and go in power. Until we have need to call upon you again, to the South and the Spirits of Fire, we bid thee hail and farewell.

Guardian of the Watchtowers of the East, Spirits of Air!

We give thanks to you for your presence at this rite.

We ask now that the winds of change subside into gentle breezes as they recede back to the far corner of the universe from whence they came, ere you depart for your lovely realms. Go in peace and go in power. Until we have need to call upon you again, to the East and the Spirits of Air, we bid thee hail and farewell.

As above, so below

As within, so without As the universe, so the soul

The circle is open

Merry meet, merry part, and merry meet again And may you Blessed Be!