

Thrudheim Kindred

Ásatrú Fellowship for East Tennessee



Young and alone on a long road,
Once I lost my way:
Rich I felt when I found another;
Man rejoices in man.

from the Hávamál

The Nine Noble Virtues

Courage

Truth

Honor

Fidelity

Discipline

Hospitality

Industriousness

Self-reliance

Perseverance



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Thrudheim Kindred (pronounced throoth-hime) is an Ásatrú organization serving all of East Tennessee. We are an independent kindred not affiliated with any other group. Our practice is family oriented and nonpolitical.

Ásatrú is an Icelandic term consisting of two parts: *Ása* referring to the gods and goddesses, and *trú* meaning true. Thus Ásatrú literally means true to the gods. The faith is sometimes referred to as Norse or Germanic Heathenry and may be regarded as an Earth religion. It represents the indigenous pre-Christian beliefs of the Northern Europeans.

Thrudheim is the home of Thor in Norse mythology who is the patron god of the kindred.

Although the membership of Thrudheim Kindred does not subscribe to the "one size fits all" or universalist approach to religion, it does not restrict membership on the basis of color, race, gender, or sexual orientation.

If you live in East Tennessee and seek fellowship in Ásatrú, please contact us.

Blót Schedule

- Jan - Feast of Thor
- Feb - Charming of the Plow
- Mar - Summer Finding
- Apr - Ostara
- May - May Blót
- Jun - Midsummer
- Jul - Founding Day
- Aug - Freyfaxi
- Sep - Winter Finding
- Oct - Winter Nights
- Dec - Yule



Suggested Reading

Edda by Snorri Sturluson
(ISBN 0-460-87616-3)

The Poetic Edda translated by Carolyne Larrington (ISBN 0-19-283946-2)

The Sagas of Icelanders by Jane Smiley, et. al.
(ISBN 0-670-88990-3)

Beowulf and Other Old English Poems by Constance B. Heatt (ISBN 0-553-21347-4)

Gods and Myths of Northern Europe by H.R. Ellis Davidson (ISBN 0-1401-3627-4)

Myth and Religion of the North by E.O.G. Turville-Petre (ISBN 0-8371-7420-1)

The Nibelungenlied by A. T. Hatto
(ISBN 0-14-044137-9)

Runes, An Introduction by Ralph Elliot
(ISBN 0-312-03491-1)

The Agricola and the Germania by Tacitus
(ISBN 0-14-044241-3)

A History of the Vikings by Gwyn Jones
(ISBN 0-19-285139-X)

Dictionary of Northern Mythology by Rudolf Simek (ISBN 0-85991-513-1)

Old English and its Closest Relatives by Orrin Robinson (ISBN 0-8047-1454-1)