

**The Ritual of Beltaine – Fire of Will
Keepers of the Holly Chalice
May 3, 2015 – Full Moon in Scorpio**

The Maypole is decorated with fresh ribbons. The circle is set up around it, with altars decorated with flowers and candles.

I. Meditation

Leanne leads us in a meditation of Fire and Water.

II. Processional

We walk to the ritual ground, singing:

*The Flames And Flowers Of May
Are Rising, Oh Rising
Pounding Out The Beat Of Beltane*

*Turn Sunwise Or Widdershins
And Circle, Oh Circle
Pounding Out The Beat Of Beltane*

*Dance Closer Now My Lovely
Tight We Twine The Ribbons
Pounding Out The Beat Of Beltane*

*Now Jump The Fire Eternal
Kiss The Sky, Kiss The Earth
Pounding Out The Beat Of Beltane
—Ivo Domínguez, Jr.*

III. Purification

Laura holds the space with salt water and incense as we pass through the gate.

IV. Cast & Call

Joe casts the Circle, creating the container for the Fire of the Sun.

V. Statement of Intent

Peggy speaks of the season of Beltaine.

VI. Invocation of God and Goddess

Mark and Leanne call upon Freyr, God of Prosperity, and Freya, Goddess of Love and Beauty to join our circle and bless us with their presence.

VII. Open the Holly Chalice

Members of Keepers chant to bring the Chalice to its full magickal form.

VIII. Name what you Will Call

We speak aloud what we Will into our lives this day.

IX. Call down the Fire: Ebb and Flow

The dancers take their ribbons and draw in the Fires from Above and Below. We chant:

Fire I Am...

X. Dancing the May Pole

We twine the ribbons in dance, singing:

*We are the Weavers, We are the Web
We are the Flow and we are the Ebb*

XI. Sealing the Spell

When the dance is complete, all stand and offer our voices, taking in the Fire of the Sun to join with our own Fires of Will, increasing both.

XII. Farewell and Closing

Leanne and Mark thank Freya and Freyr for their continued presence. Joe thanks the quarters and closes the circle.

Merry Meet, Merry Part and Merry Meet again!

We leave the circle singing:

*Sweet Magick I Become.
Flesh And Breath Of Dancing Light.
New Wonders Yet To Come
As I Shine From Day To Night
—Ivo Domínguez, Jr.*