God who is Creator of us all, we give thanks for divine imagination. We are truly blessed as God's children . . . boys and girls, women and men, unique and individual. Of God, the tapestry of life that You have woven together is good, beautiful, warm, intimate, vivid, creative, rich and textured with the threads, stories, tales, histories, and yarns of individuals, families and communities. We give thanks for the sharings of ourselves that life, conversation, and communication make possible.

For the centering and grounding that enables us to stand strong and alert; purposefully committed to helping others and to building a community that is just and inclusive, we give You thanks. For the blessings of guidance, support and advice from our teachers, our leaders, our mentors, and our family, we give thanks. We give thanks, 0 God, for our talents, our strengths and our values. Encourage our minds, embolden our hearts, and empower our spirits to be children, men and women, who are trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent.

So be it. Amen

Our thanks, Lord, for those gathered here and for the sense of high purpose we share. As we begin a new year, grant our new officers stamina, patience and a sense of humor, that we may relax together and so create meaningful fellowship and selfless service, without taking ourselves too seriously in this Your world and Rotary service.
Pastor Clifford J. Swanson, Northfield Rotary

Gracious Eternal God,

This is the season of light. Light from the festive glow of the Menorah, warmth from the yule log fire, radiant beams from the tender face of the babe born in Bethlehem.

In this the darkest of months, we give thanks for the light You bring to humankind. We give thanks for the light this Rotary Club has shed throughout its long history on so many others, both here at home and throughout the world.

We ask that we be nourished by this food, fellowship and reflection on our past . . . and energized to convey Your perpetual light . . . forward into the future. In Your holy name, Amen.
NEW YEAR
Almighty God, set us free this day from the spirit that makes for discord, from the temper that has no desire to forgive or forget, from the lack of faith in Your power to change the hearts of all who quarrel, enlarge our capacity to love all people, expand our wisdom to handle our responsibilities and to meet the demands of the New Year. Amen.

Roland D. Wilsey, Past District Governor Roseville Rotary

MOTHER'S DAY OR FAMILY FESTIVAL
Almighty God, we offer this day our thanks for the great bounty bestowed upon us in the form of our families, guide and preserve our homes. Shelter and comfort our children. Aid and direct our family leisure, that we might employ this gift to Your great glory. Amen.

Roland D. Wilsey, Past District Governor, Roseville Rotary

FAMILY WEEK OR MOTHER'S DAY
0 God of the family, strengthen our ties with You and one another, sanctify the family bond of love and understanding that this basic unit of our society might be strong and enduring, bind us together in unity of heart, mind and purpose. Help us, that our love for You will be reflected in all our relationships with those whom we serve upon this earth. Increase our appreciation of the bond of marriage and the family, that we may see these institutions as the fulfillment of true fidelity and noble living. Amen.
Roland D. Wilsey, Past District Governor, Roseville Rotary

INDEPENDENCE DAY
Almighty God we thank You for Your many goodneses to us. We thank You for the white drifting clouds in the blue sky. We thank You for the red of blooming roses.
We thank You for our banner of these same beautiful colors and for the Independence we have enjoyed under it.
We thank You for this food and our fellowship. Amen.
Harold E. Anderson, Alexandria Rotary

THANKSGIVING
Thanksgiving is Thanks-Living, and all who call themselves Rotarians have good cause to thank God for the country in which we live being blessed beyond one's fondest dreams. For the fertility of the soil, its rivers and streams, its lakes and its forests. God be praised! As Rotarians we need not be reminded "to be thankful" for all the rich natural resources by which humanity is enabled to make provision for every need, both spiritual and material. Thanks be to God! In our assembling today, may we be a witness of our faith to our fellow beings and the provisions on the table which is ours to enjoy. In Your name we rejoice. Amen.
Reverend Walter F. Pearson, St. Peter Rotary

THANKSGIVING
Our God, we thank You for Your many goodnesses to us. We thank You for the purity of our landscape and the knowledge that it is within Your power to purify our lives if we lay them before You.
We thank You for the help You gave that Pilgrim band to whom we owe our ideals of freedom. We thank You for the will and the strength to preserve that freedom which we are able to enjoy. Amen.
Harold E. Anderson, Alexandria Rotary

LABOR DAY
0 God, who art the master craftsman, whose exquisite detail and whose soaring splendors we vainly strive to emulate, we turn to You this Labor Day weekend to bring the work of our minds and hands to the touchstone of Your high standards.
When we think of the work of Your hands, like the beauty of butterfly wings, or a moonlit sea, our own work seems so poor and botched and crude and so much is left undone.
Yet we thank You that we can work and serve and while doing so, we can pray that You will inspire us with Your passion for excellence, so that while we build we may beautify, while we serve we may heal, while we work we may worship. Amen.
Pastor Donald Carlson, Edina Rotary