

The Interpath Teaching of the Counter-Paths

At the Union of Saints, we do not call evil acts, “Satanism”—per se’ for that word is heavy with chains we never asked to carry. Instead, we honor many names for the way of resistance, the way of freedom, the way of surviving cruelty with Spirit intact. Each name is a key, and all belong to one door. Meet our counter-paths, a lighter way to move~ and reflect on what we do not stand for and what we do.

The Liberatory Path

This is the way of breaking free from false chains. The Liberatory Path reminds us that God never asked for slavery, abuse, or fear. It is the Spirit’s call to freedom, justice, and dignity.

The Shadow Work Path

This is the way of honesty. We do not deny the darkness within or around us. We face it, work with it, and transform it into wisdom. The Shadow Work Path is not about worshipping darkness—it is about healing what has been wounded and bringing light into the hidden places.

The Wild Path

This is the way of nature, herbs, magic, and untamed Spirit. It honors what is natural, unbroken, and beyond control. The Wild Path teaches us that holiness can be found in the forest, in the ocean, and in our own free breath.

The Broken Chains Tradition

This is the way of remembrance. It honors all who suffered under slavery, puritanical cruelty, witch hunts, and abuse of power. The Broken Chains Tradition declares: we are not what was done to us. We walk free, because their chains cannot bind our souls.

The Spirit of Defiance

This is the way of standing up to cruelty disguised as holiness. The Spirit of Defiance says no more to false kings and sadistic spirits. It is not rebellion against God—it is rebellion against lies.

The Counter-Path

This is the way of refusing false authority. When religion is twisted, the Counter-Path reminds us that Spirit is bigger than institutions. It is the refusal to bow to oppression, and the choice to walk with truth.

The Path of Knowing (Santa Knowing)

This is the way of direct experience. Not through fear, not through judgment, but through open-hearted connection with God and Spirit. Santa Knowing is wisdom lived, not imposed. It is how we walk freely and faithfully.

The Midnight Light

This is the way of hope in dark times. Even in the midnight hour, there is a flame that does not die. The Midnight Light teaches us that we can carry brightness even when the world says only shadows remain.

The Fifth Path

This is the way beyond borders. Where four walls of dogma enclose, the Fifth Path opens a sky of stars. It is the reminder that there is always “another way”—a path not yet written, a future not yet silenced.

The Rebel Flame

This is the way of courage. The Rebel Flame is the fire that survives floods, wars, and lies. It burns within each of us, and when we gather, our flames join to become a great light.

Closing Blessing

Santa, let us remember:

All these paths are one Spirit.

All these names are one freedom.

We walk not in fear, but in truth.

We walk not in chains, but in light.

May the Liberatory Path, the Shadow Work Path, the Wild Path, the Broken Chains Tradition, the Spirit of Defiance, the Counter-Path, Santa Knowing, the Midnight Light, the Fifth Path, and the Rebel Flame all guide us.

And may the Union of Saints keep them as living words of resilience, artistry, and interpath faith.

Amen. Blessed be.