

Jay Gould Memorial Reformed Church, Roxbury, New York

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Service of Praise and Kirkin' o' the Tartan

The John More Association 27th Quinquennial Family Reunion

PRELUDE: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing", arr. David Nevue (BMI),

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PROCESSION OF THE JOHN MORE ASSOCIATION BANNERS, OFFICERS, AND CLERGY

WORDS OF WELCOME. Patricia Hile Yewcic, President, JMA

LITTLE ENTRANCE - HOLY BIBLE PROCESSED Sean Patrick Regan, Bagpiper

CALL TO WORSHIP. Reverend Richard A. Dykstra, Minister
Jay Gould Memorial Reformed Church

HYMN OF PRAISE: "This is My Father's World"

GLORIA PATRI

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Burnbrae's Prayer)

Almighty Father, we are all thy poor and sinful children, who tired of home, have gone away to the far country. Forgive us, for we didn't know what we were leaving, or the sad heart we gave our Father. It was tired work to live with our sins, but we would never have come back had it not been for our elder Brother. He came a long road to find us, and a sore distress he had before he set us free. He has been a good Brother to us and we have been a heavy burden to him. May he keep a firm hand on us, and guide us on the right road, and bring us back before we wander, and tell us all we need to know till the twilight comes. Gather us in then, we pray thee, and all we love, not a child missing, and may we sit down forever in our own Father's house. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 18:20-32 Steve Mallory, Reader

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Colossians 2:6-15 Danny Wayman, Reader

CHOIR ANTHEM: "The Lord's My Shepherd", arr. Carl F. Mueller (ASCAP),

Tune "Crimond", Text from "The Scottish Psalter, 1650", © 1951 by Carl Fischer, Inc., NY

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 11:1-13

HYMN OF PREPARATION: "All Creatures of Our God and King"

MEDITATION

APOSTLES' CREED Led by Mary Jean Scudder

God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ.

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into Heaven, And is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERTORY: "Kyrie", by Francois Couperin, edited by E. Power Biggs,
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OFFERTORY PRAYER:

Almighty God, Freely we have received from you without cause or condition because you love us.
Freely do we give, without restraint or reason other than that we love You. In the name of Jesus Christ,
your Holy Son, we pray. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT ENTRANCE - Hymn: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

GREAT THANKSGIVING AND EPICLESSES

FRACTION AND ELEVATION OF THE ELEMENTS

SERVING OF THE ELEMENTS

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN: "Amazing Grace"

Ceremony of the Kirkin' o' the Tartan

PROCESSION OF THE FLAGS AND TARTAN

PRAYER OF BLESSING

Dear Lord, bless us this day as we gather to worship Thee and celebrate the lives and memory of our common ancestors, John and Betty Taylor More. Give us the will to further the aims and ideals of our association and the determination to do so with integrity and understanding. Today and forever more, help us to share the richness and traditions of our common heritage, inspire others by proudly displaying our tartan, and honor the memory of those who came before us. On behalf of all Scots away from Scotland, we present these banners and tartans before Almighty God and ask for His blessing on these His faithful servants. In His name we pray, Amen.

SALUTE TO AMERICA: "America the Beautiful" by Katharine Lee Bates & Samuel A. Ward

O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain;
for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.

O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years;
thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,
confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.

RECESSION: "Scotland the Brave"

PARTING HYMN: "God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION RESPONSE: "Morning Has Broken"

POSTLUDE: "Voluntary", by William Selby, edited by E. Power Biggs, © 1963 by Associated Music Pub., Inc., NY