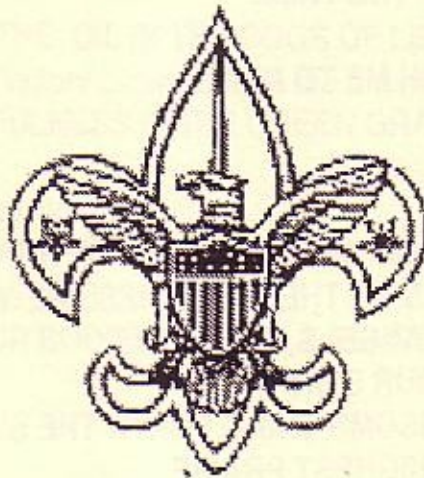


The New Utrecht Reformed Church

8th of February 2009

Scout Sunday



In all of this, it is the spirit that matters. Our Scout law and Promise, when we really put them into practice, take away all occasion for wars and strife among nations."

Sir Robert Baden-Powell (British Army Officer, founder of the Boy Scouts, 1857-1941)

We are a Friendly People Seeking to Share Christ's Love!
We Welcome You to our Worship

The Reformed Church in America is a fellowship of congregations called by God and empowered by the Holy Spirit to be the very presence of Jesus Christ in the world.

Our shared task is to equip congregations for ministry—a thousand churches in a million ways doing one thing—
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OUR APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude

Welcome

The Presentation of the Colors

Introit "This is the Day"

The Pledge of Allegiance

*Hymn "America the Beautiful"

*Call to Worship –

God of the sunlight, God of the sea,

GOD OF THE TWILIGHT, GOD OF THE TREE.

God of the midnight, God of the day,

GOD OF THE STARLIGHT, TEACH ME TO PRAY.

Let us be before our God in silence.

OPENING PRAYER- A Celtic Prayer

O TREE OF LIFE, THE BLOSSOMS ON THE BRANCHES ARE YOUR PEOPLE.

THE SINGING BIRDS ARE YOUR ANGELS,

THE WHISPERING BREEZE IS YOUR SPIRIT.

O TREE OF LIFE, MAY THE BLOSSOMS BRING FORTH THE SWEETEST FRUIT,

MAY THE BIRDS SING OUT THE HIGHEST PRAISE

MAY YOUR SPIRIT COVER ALL WITH GENTLE BREATH. AMEN

**Kyrie (sung) LORD HAVE MERCY UPON US. CHRIST HAVE MERCY UPON US.
LORD HAVE MERCY UPON US.**

A Word of Assurance

The Summary of the Law (Mk 12: 29-31)

This is the first commandment:

**HEAR O ISRAEL, THE LORD OUR GOD, THE LORD IS ONE! THEREFORE YOU
SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, WITH ALL
YOUR SOUL, WITH ALL YOUR MIND, AND WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH.**

This is the second commandment.

YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.

There is no greater commandment than these.

Anthem "My Country, 'Tis of Thee" T. Musicus

THE WORD OF GOD

"The Scout Law Prayer" – responsive reading

Our God make us trustworthy for there are those who place their trust in us.

MAKE US LOYAL, FOR THROUGH LOYALTY WE REACH OUR HIGHEST IDEALS.

Teach us to be helpful, for through helpfulness we forget our selfishness.

MAKE US FRIENDLY, FOR THERE ARE SO MANY WHO NEED A FRIEND.

Train us in courtesy, for courtesy is the carpet on life's floor – it deadens the sound of shuffling feet and adds warmth to silence.

MAKE US KIND, FOR KINDNESS IS THE OIL IN THE COGS OF LIFE'S MACHINERY.

Insist upon our obedience, for the final victory comes only to the one who obeys your will.

MAKE US CHEERFUL, FOR CHEERFULNESS IS THE GREEN GRASS AMONG THE ROCKS IN THE PATH OF OUR LIVES.

Train us in thrift, for thrifty habits brighten our future.

MAKE US BRAVE. BRAVE IN THE DARK AND BRAVE IN THE LIGHT.

Help us to be clean in thought, word and deed.

AND MAY WE REMEMBER THAT OUR BODIES ARE HOLY TEMPLES NOT TO ABUSED OR USED TO HURT OTHERS.

*Gloria Patri (Hymn No 623)

All Christians are invited to join us in this

Affirmation: **GLORY BE TO THE FATHER AND TO THE SON AND TO THE HOLY GHOST. AS IT WAS IN THE BEGINNING, IS NOW AND EVER SHALL BE, WORLD WITHOUT END, AMEN, AMEN!**

The Greeting of Peace & Announcements

Hymn – "Kumbaya" (Come By Here)

Someone's Crying Lord, Kumbaya... Someone Needs you Lord, Kumbaya...

Kumbaya My Lord, Kumbaya....

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

The Doxology and Offertory Prayer

BE PRESENT IN OUR MIDST O LORD;

BE HERE AND EVERYWHERE ADORED;

THY CREATURES BLESS AND GRANT THAT WE

MAY FEAST IN FELLOWSHIP WITH THEE.

The Memorial Candle Ceremony

There are stars whose light reaches the earth only after they themselves have disintegrated.
And there are individuals whose memory lights the world after they have passed from it.
These lights shine in the darkest night and illumine for us the path.
---Hannah Senesh

"We Remember Them" --Roland B. Gittlesohn (adapted)
We respond: **WE REMEMBER THEM.**

In the rising of the sun and in its going down,
WE REMEMBER THEM.
In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter,
WE REMEMBER THEM.
In the opening of buds and in the rebirth of spring,
WE REMEMBER THEM.
In the blueness of the sky and in the warmth of summer,
WE REMEMBER THEM.
In the rustling of leaves and in the beauty of autumn,
WE REMEMBER THEM.
In the beginning of the year and when it ends,
WE REMEMBER THEM.
When we are weary and in need of strength,
WE REMEMBER THEM.
When we are lost and sick at heart,
WE REMEMBER THEM.
When we have joys we yearn to share,
WE REMEMBER THEM.
So long as we live, they too shall live,
For they are a part of us,
FOR WE REMEMBER THEM.

*Hymn "Battle Hymn of the Republic"
*Choral Response

*The Benediction
Postlude

Today's service is dedicated to their memory of the scouts and scouters who have gone before us. The scouts invite everyone for a reception at the conclusion of this service. The flowers today are given by Boy Scout Troop 20 & Cub Scout Pack 20, BSA in memory of our deceased members and the Reverend Martin Paul Luther. Thanks to Scoutmaster Frank Maddalena for his assistance in the planning of this service! Thanks to all the scouters who serve our troop & den!