



**Sunday Morning Worship**  
**November 22, 2020**

# Welcome to City Reformed Presbyterian Church

We are glad to have you join us for worship today. If you would like more information, please contact us at [office@cityreformed.org](mailto:office@cityreformed.org) or visit our website: [cityreformed.org](http://cityreformed.org).

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## Reflections

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you... And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you.

- 1 Peter 5:6-7, 10

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## About Us

### Sunday Morning Worship Service

10:15AM

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### Church Office

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### Sunday Evening Communion Service

SUNDAY 11/22 | 4PM, 5PM & 6PM

3929 Coleman St.  
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# Worship Service

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Presider: Reverend Nameun Cho

## Call to Worship: Revelation 7:9-12

*Please stand for the Call to Worship if you are able.*

Leader After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb,

People **[They were] clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"**

Leader And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying, "Amen!

People **Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."**

## Prayer of Invocation

### Come Ye Sinners

*(Words: Joseph Hart 1759; Melody: Southern Harmony Folk 1835; Arrangement: Daniel Snoke 2018)*

Come ye sinners, poor and needy, Weak and wounded, sick and sore  
Jesus ready stands to save you, Full of pity love and pow'r  
He is able, He is able, He is willing doubt no more

Come ye thirsty, come and welcome, God's free bounty, glorify  
True belief and true repentance, Ever'y grace that brings you nigh  
Without money, without money, Come to Jesus Christ and buy

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Let not conscience make you linger, Nor of fitness fondly dream  
All the fitness He requireth, Is to feel your need of Him  
This He gives you, this He gives you, 'Tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Come ye weary, heavy laden, Bruised and broken by the Fall  
If you tarry 'till you're better, You will never come at all.  
Not the righteous, not the righteous, Sinners Jesus came to call.

Agonizing in the garden, Lo! your Master prostrate lies  
On the bloody tree behold Him, Hear Him cry before he dies  
"It is finished, it is finished", Sinner, will not this suffice?

Lo! incarnate God ascended, Pleads the merit of His blood  
Venture on Him, venture wholly, Let no other trust intrude  
None but Jesus, none but Jesus, Can do helpless sinners good.

Saints and angles joined in concert, Sing the praises of the Lamb  
While the blissful seats of heaven, Sweetly echo with His name  
"Hallelujah, hallelujah!", Sinners here may do the same.

## Satisfied

*(Words: Clara T. Williams 1875; Music: Karl Digerness 1997; Arranged: Daniel Snoke 2010)*

All my life long I had panted  
For a drink from some clear spring,  
That I hoped would quench the burning  
Of the thirst I felt within.

*Hallelujah! He has found me.  
The one my soul so long has craved!  
Jesus satisfies all my longings,  
Through His blood I now am saved.*

Feeding on the filth around me,  
Till my strength was almost gone,  
Longed my soul for something better,  
Only still to hunger on.

Poor I was, and sought for riches,  
Something that would satisfy,  
But the dust I gathered round me  
Only mocked my soul's sad cry.

Well of water, ever springing,  
Bread of life so rich and free,  
Untold wealth that never faileth,  
My Redeemer is to me.

## **Call to Confession: John 3:14-15**

As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

## **Prayer of Confession**

O Lord, no day of our lives has passed that has not proved us guilty in your sight. Prayers have been uttered from a prayerless heart, praise has often been praiseless sound. We have done things we should not have done, and we have not done things we should have done. If we were to stand before you on our own, we must surely be rejected.

However, all things in Christ plead for our acceptance. By his stripes we are healed, and he was bruised for our iniquities. He has been made sin so that we might be made righteous in you. We pray for your cleansing touch to wash away our corruption, and for your hands to rework our lives anew. We pray these things in Christ's holy name. Amen.

## **Silent Confession**

### **Assurance of Pardon: John 3:16-17**

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

## **Membership Vows: Natalie Runkle**

## **Corporate Prayer**

# Song of Renewal

We consider tithes & offering as an act of worship within the corporate family of Christ.  
Please direct giving online or via mail ([cityreformed.org/give](http://cityreformed.org/give); 3929 Coleman St., 15207).

## Christ Is Mine Forevermore

(Words & Music: Jonny Robinson & Rich Thompson 2015)

Mine are days that God has numbered, I was made to walk with Him  
Yet I look for worldly treasure, And forsake the King of kings

*But mine is hope in my Redeemer  
Though I fall His love is sure  
For Christ has paid for every failing  
I am His forevermore*

Mine are tears in times of sorrow, Darkness not yet understood  
Through the valley I must travel, Where I see no earthly good

*But mine is peace that flows from heaven  
And the strength in times of need  
I know my pain will not be wasted  
Christ completes His work in me*

Mine are days here as a stranger, Pilgrim on a narrow way  
One with Christ I will encounter, Harm and hatred for His name

*But mine is armour for this battle  
Strong enough to last the war  
And He has said He will deliver  
Safely to the golden shore*

*And mine are keys to Zion city  
Where beside the King I walk  
For there my heart has found its treasure  
Christ is mine forevermore*

Come rejoice now O my soul, For His love is my reward  
Fear is gone and hope is sure, Christ is mine forevermore

## Pastoral Prayer

## **Sermon:** Hebrews 11:32-12:2

### **Journey by Faith to the City of God: "A Great Cloud of Witnesses"**

- Reverend Matt Koerber

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**A**nd what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—<sup>33</sup>who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, <sup>34</sup>quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. <sup>35</sup>Women received back their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, so that they might rise again to a better life. <sup>36</sup>Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. <sup>37</sup>They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword. They went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, mistreated—<sup>38</sup>of whom the world was not worthy—wandering about in deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.

<sup>39</sup>And all these, though commended through their faith, did not receive what was promised, <sup>40</sup>since God had provided something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

<sup>12:1</sup>Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup>looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

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Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

## Additional Scripture

Genesis 12:1-3 / Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing... and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

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Jude 1:3 / Beloved, although I was very eager to write to you about our common salvation, I found it necessary to write appealing to you to contend for the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints.

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## Credal Response: Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 87. What is repentance that leads to life?

**A. Repentance that leads to life is a saving grace by which a sinner, out of a true sense of his sin and awareness of the mercy of God in Christ, turns from it to God with grief and hatred of his sin, purposing and working constantly for a new obedience.**

## Songs of Thanksgiving

*Please stand for the final songs if you are able.*

### For All the Saints

*(Words: William W. How 1864; Music: Christopher Miner 1997)*

For all the saints, who from their labors rest,  
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,  
Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed.  
Alleluia, Allelu...

Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might;  
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well fought fight;  
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light.  
Alleluia, Allelu...

O blest communion, fellowship divine!  
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.  
Alleluia, Allelu...

The golden evening brightens in the west;  
 Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;  
 Sweet is the calm of paradise the blessed.  
 Alleluia, Allelu...

But lo! There breaks a yet more glorious day;  
 The saints triumphant rise in bright array;  
 The King of glory passes on his way,  
 Alleluia, Allelu...

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
 Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
 Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
 Alleluia, Alleluia!

## Prayer

## Announcements

## Benediction

*If you would like to contact a pastor, please email [joseph@cityreformed.org](mailto:joseph@cityreformed.org).*

## Life Together

<p><b>Open Evening Communion Services</b> INDOORS          TODAY by last names:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4:00 PM for A-F</li> <li>• 5:00 PM for G-O</li> <li>• 6:00 PM for P-Z</li> </ul> <p>3929 Coleman St., 15207</p> <p>Church Center</p> 	<p><b>In-person</b> service held three times <b>INDOORS</b> at <b>GREENFIELD</b>, with <b>communion</b> served all times. Review instructions for attending at: <a href="http://cityreformed.org/evening-service">cityreformed.org/evening-service</a> and note "Safe and Sound" on the next pages.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please attend the service time assigned to the beginning letter of your last name, if possible.</li> <li>• Before attending, self-assess the health and recent activities of you and your household.</li> <li>• <b>** BRING MASKS **</b> <i>Mandatory mask policy for everyone over 2 yrs old.</i></li> <li>• Check in on your <b>Church Center app</b> (go to <b>Check-In</b>), or we will check you in upon arrival.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Attend Morning Service "In-Person"</b>          Sundays @ 10:15AM          WT, 5059 Ellsworth, 15213</p>	<p>Register on your Church Center App (go to Events), or online: <a href="http://crpc.churchcenter.com/registrations">crpc.churchcenter.com/registrations</a>. Contact <a href="mailto:Sol@cityreformed.org">Sol@cityreformed.org</a>. Morning Service Livestream continues indefinitely.</p>

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## "Safe"

*"The sixth commandment requires all lawful efforts to preserve our own life and others." – WSC #68*

### **Before we gather\*:**

- **Are you sick?** Do not attend if you or a family member are sick, if you are awaiting a COVID test result, or if you have COVID-19.
- **Have you been somewhere unsafe?** [PA Health Guidelines](#)<sup>1</sup> require either a quarantine or negative test for out-of-state travelers.
- **Have you been exposed?** Do not attend if you have had close contact<sup>2</sup> with someone who is COVID+. Limit your exposure to others if you have been in medically compromising situations.

### **When we are together:**

- **Wear a mask.**
- **Avoid contact.**
- **Social Distance.**

### **After we leave:**

- **Notify.** If you test positive for COVID and attended a CRPC event during a period 48 hours before the onset of symptoms, please notify the church (sol@cityreformed.org).
- **Trace.** When someone notifies us about a concern for infection, we will trace all potential unsafe contacts at our events and also notify all people who attended the event.

*\*Contact [Dr. Andy Leuenberger](#) (andy@cityreformed.org) for questions about how to apply these guidelines to your situation.*

1 [health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Travelers.aspx](https://health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Travelers.aspx)

2 [cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/contact-tracing/contact-tracing-plan/appendix.html#contact](https://cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/contact-tracing/contact-tracing-plan/appendix.html#contact)

**Parenting Seminar by Julie Lowe, Child Proof: Parenting by Faith, Not Formula**  
Fri 2/5 @ 7 - 9PM &  
Sat 2/6 @ 9AM - 12PM  
WT, 5059 Ellsworth, 15213  
Early Bird Discount until 11/30

Julie Lowe, counselor and faculty at the Christian Counseling & Educational Foundation. Register on your Church Center App (go to Events) or: [tinyurl.com/childproof2021](https://tinyurl.com/childproof2021). \$15/person ~ [Early Bird Discount: \\$10/person until 11/30!](#) Julie will teach on how to know, love, and disciple our children using biblical principles and practical wisdom. Contact [Charis@cityreformed.org](mailto:Charis@cityreformed.org).

**Agora Forum**  
Mon 11/23 @ 7PM

We'll be using Kast to watch and discuss "Get Low." Contact [Kathryn \(klclaudy@gmail.com\)](mailto:klclaudy@gmail.com).

## "... and Sound"

*"Since we have a great priest...Draw near... hold fast... meet together..."  
- Heb. 10:19-25*

### Sunday AM Worship

- Livestream online. (Join us live at 10:15AM when possible)
- In-person at Winchester Thurston.
- Sign up in advance.
- *If COVID concerns rise, we will decrease our attendance numbers.*

### Sunday PM Communion (every other week)

- The PM Service will meet in the Greenfield Chapel.
- No advance sign-up required.
- Multiple small and short services. (30 mins)
- Check in at arrival to assist contact tracing.
- Varied seating options.
- Modified process of distributing communion elements.
- *If COVID concerns rise, we will add more (smaller) services.*

### Small Groups

- Small groups will be guided by direction from public health leaders.
- Contact Joseph Bianco (joseph@cityreformed.org).

### Mentoring

- Women: Contact Sandy Snoke (sandy@cityreformed.org).
- Men: Contact Adam Schwab or Jim Partridge (jim@cityreformed.org).

<b>Bethany Food Bank and Master's Kitchen Service</b> Thurs @ 9AM - 1PM or 4 - 6PM Fri @ 12 - 1PM	Volunteer to help transport and package food with Bethany Community Ministries. Contact Donna at Bethany: 412.251.1227 or any of the Deacons@cityreformed.org.
<b>Adult Class: Introduction to Christianity</b> TODAY ~15 min after service <i>WT Dining Hall</i>	In-person class taught by Dr. David Snoke; bring a lunch. Register on your Church Center App (go to Events), or online: <a href="https://crpc.churchcenter.com/registrations">crpc.churchcenter.com/registrations</a> . Contact David (snoke@pitt.edu).
<b>Volunteer Babysitting: Serve &amp; Connect with Our Church Families!</b>	VOLUNTEERS NEEDED, help care for children as families navigate these challenging times! Please complete: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/CityBABYSIT">tinyurl.com/CityBABYSIT</a> . Contact Becki@cityreformed.org.

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## Welcome to City Reformed Presbyterian Church

We are glad to have you join us for worship today. If you are new, we would love to meet you! And, if you would like more information about our ministries, resources, and ways to engage, please fill out the visitor's card below or visit our website: [cityreformed.org](http://cityreformed.org).

### Visitor's Card

We would love to get to know you. Please contact us at [office@cityreformed.org](mailto:office@cityreformed.org) with the following information.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Prayer Requests

If you have a prayer request, we will pray for you. Please send prayer requests to Pastor Joseph through [prayer@cityreformed.org](mailto:prayer@cityreformed.org).

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