



**Sunday Morning Worship**  
**November 8, 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

"Death is swallowed up in victory."

- 1 Corinthians 15:54b

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## About Us

### Sunday Morning Worship Service

10:15AM

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### Sunday Evening Worship Service

SUNDAY 11/8

5PM OUTDOORS & 6PM INDOORS

Winchester Thurston School

5059 Ellsworth Ave.

Pittsburgh, PA 15213

### Church Office

3929 Coleman St.

Pittsburgh, PA 15207

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# Worship Service

City Reformed Presbyterian Church

Sunday Morning Worship – November 8, 2020

Presider: Reverend Derek Bates

## Call to Worship: Ephesians 1:16-23

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

Leader I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him,

People **Having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe,**

Leader According to the working of his great might that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come.

People **And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.**

## Prayer of Invocation

### How Great Thou Art

*(Words & Music: Carl Gustav Boberg 1949)*

Oh Lord my God when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder  
Thy power throughout the universe displayed

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When through the woods and forest glades I wander  
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees  
When I look down, from lofty mountain grandeur  
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze

*Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to Thee  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art  
Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to Thee  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art*

And when I think that God his son not sparing  
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come with shouts of acclamation  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
And there proclaim my God, how great Thou art

## **O Praise The Name (Anástasis)**

*(Words & Music: Benjamin Hastings, Dean Ussher, and Marty Sampson 2015)*

I cast my mind to Calvary  
Where Jesus bled and died for me  
I see His wounds His hands His feet  
My Saviour on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears  
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb  
The entrance sealed by heavy stone  
Messiah still and all alone

*O praise the Name of the Lord our God  
O praise His Name forevermore  
For endless days we will sing Your praise  
Oh Lord oh Lord our God*

Then on the third at break of dawn  
The Son of heaven rose again  
O trampled death where is your sting  
The angels roar for Christ the King

He shall return in robes of white  
The blazing sun shall pierce the night  
And I will rise among the saints  
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

## **Call to Confession: Galatians 5:13-15**

For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another.

## **Prayer of Confession: The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever, Amen.

## **Silent Confession**

## **Assurance of Pardon: Galatians 3:27-28**

For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

## **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).*

## Jesus I Am Resting Resting

*(Words & Music: David Hampton & Jean Sophia Pigott 1998)*

Jesus I am resting resting In the joy of what Thou art  
I am finding out the greatness Of Thy loving heart  
Thou hast bid me gaze upon Thee And Thy beauty fills my soul  
For by Thy transforming power Thou hast made me whole

*Jesus I am resting resting  
In the joy of what Thou art  
I am finding out the greatness  
Of Thy loving heart*

Oh how great Thy loving kindness Vaster broader than the sea  
Oh how marvelous Thy goodness Lavished all on me  
Yes I rest in Thee Beloved Know what wealth of grace is Thine  
Know Thy certainty of promise And have made it mine

Simply trusting Thee Lord Jesus I behold Thee as Thou art  
And Thy love so pure so changeless Satisfies my heart  
Satisfies its deepest longings Meets supplies its ev'ry need  
For he wraps me 'round with blessings Thine is love indeed

Ever lift Thy face upon me As I work and wait for Thee  
Resting 'neath Thy smile Lord Jesus Earth's dark shadows flee  
Brightness of my Father's glory Sunshine of my Father's face  
Keep me ever trusting resting Fill me with Thy grace

## Pastoral Prayer

## **Sermon: Hebrews 11:11-12, 17-22**

**Journey by Faith to the City of God:**

**"Resurrection and the Son of Abraham"**

- Reverend Matt Koerber

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**B**y faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. <sup>12</sup>Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore...

<sup>17</sup>By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, <sup>18</sup>of whom it was said, "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." <sup>19</sup>He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back. <sup>20</sup>By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau. <sup>21</sup>By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff. <sup>22</sup>By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones.

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Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

# Additional Scripture

Genesis 15:1-6 / After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir." And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: "This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir." And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

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## Scriptural Response: Westminster Confession of Faith

**25:1 The catholic or universal Church, which is *invisible*, consists of the whole number of God's chosen people, who have been, are, or will be gathered into one under Christ the Head of the Church. It is the spouse, the body, and the fullness of him who fills all in all.**

## Songs of Thanksgiving

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

### Jesus with Thy Church Abide

*(Words: Thomas Pollock 1871; Music: Christopher Miner 1997)*

Jesus, with Thy Church abide,  
Be her Savior, Lord, and Guide,  
While on earth her faith is tried:  
We beseech Thee, hear us. (2x)

Bid our strife and envy cease,  
Grant the lovely gift of peace:  
All her dreadful sin release.  
We beseech Thee, hear us. (2x)

May her lamp of truth be bright,  
Bid her bear aloft its light  
Through the realms of endless night:  
We beseech Thee, hear us. (2x)

Keep her life and doctrine pure,  
Help her, patient, to endure,  
Trusting in Thy promise sure:  
We beseech Thee, hear us. (2x)

May she one in doctrine be,  
One in truth and charity,  
Winning all to faith in Thee:  
We beseech Thee, hear us. (2x)

May she guide the poor and blind,  
Seek the lost until she find,  
And the broken hearted bind:  
We beseech Thee, hear us. (2x)

May she thus all glorious be,  
Spotless and from sin borne free,  
Pure and bright, bring praise to Thee:  
We beseech Thee, hear us. (2x)

## **This Is My Father's World**

*(Words: Maltbie D. Babcock 1901; Music: English Folk Melody)*

This is my Father's world.  
And to my list'ning ears,  
All nature sings,  
And round him rings  
The music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world!  
I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees,  
Of skies and seas.  
His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world.  
The birds their carols raise  
The morning light,  
The lily white,  
Declare their Maker's praise  
This is my Father's world!  
He shines in all that's fair;  
In the rustling grass  
I hear Him pass  
He speaks to me everywhere. \_\_\_\_\_

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This is my Father's world.  
 O let me ne'er forget.  
 That though the wrong  
 Seems oft so strong  
 God is the Ruler yet.  
 This is my Father's world.  
 The battle has been won;  
 Jesus who died  
 Shall be satisfied,  
 And earth and heav'n be one.

## Prayer

## Announcements

## Benediction

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

## Life Together

<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>
<p><b>Open Evening Communion Services TONIGHT:</b>          5 PM OUTDOORS Parking Lot          6 PM INDOORS Auditorium          WT, 5059 Ellsworth, 15213</p> <p>Church Center App:</p> 	<p><b>In-person</b> service held twice, with <b>communion</b> served both times. Review instructions for attending at: <a href="http://cityreformed.org/open-service">cityreformed.org/open-service</a>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>** BRING MASKS **</b> Mandatory mask policy for everyone over 2 yrs old.</li> <li>• Check in on your <b>Church Center app</b> (go to <b>Check-In</b>), or we will check you in when you arrive.</li> <li>• <b>**For 6PM Service INDOORS: WT requires health screening before entering the building.</b> On the Sunday you are attending, submit this form: <a href="http://tinyurl.com/WTScreening">tinyurl.com/WTScreening</a> (one form per Sunday per household).</li> </ul>
<p><b>Building Work Day</b>          Sat 11/14 @ 9AM - 3PM          3929 Coleman St, 15207</p>	<p>Help lay carpet, sand drywall, or organize the basement. Sign up online: <a href="http://bit.ly/3orTylW">bit.ly/3orTylW</a>. Contact Gary (<a href="mailto:building@cityreformed.org">building@cityreformed.org</a>).</p>

<p><b>Adult CE Webinar by Carl Trueman on "City of God"</b> Sat 11/21 @ 10 - 11:30AM</p>	<p>Dr. Trueman will discuss sections of <i>The City of God</i> by Augustine about how Christians should live in this world with an eye to the eternal city.</p>
<p><b>Day of Fasting and Prayer</b> Sat 11/21 - Sun 11/22</p>	<p>Begin after dinner on Saturday until dinner on Sunday. Those who are able to join us for the communion service Sunday night will essentially break their fast with the Lord's Supper. See Pastor Matt's note online: <a href="http://cityreformed.org/covid19">cityreformed.org/covid19</a>.</p>
<p><b>Agora Forum</b> Mon 11/9 @ 7PM 3929 Coleman St., 15207 OR <a href="http://tinyurl.com/CRPCAgora">tinyurl.com/CRPCAgora</a></p>	<p>Follow-up discussion on the topics addressed at the recent Christian Scientific Society meeting: "Is the Natural World Good or Bad?". In-person or Zoom. Contact Kathryn (<a href="mailto:klclaudy@gmail.com">klclaudy@gmail.com</a>).</p>
<p><b>Virtual Game Night</b> Mon 11/9 @ 6PM</p>	<p>Restarting the virtual board game nights with Shawn Patton's "Mischief at the Museum". Contact Gary (<a href="mailto:gatcheson@gmail.com">gatcheson@gmail.com</a>).</p>
<p><b>Parenting Seminar by Julie Lowe, <i>Child Proof: Parenting by Faith, Not Formula</i></b> Fri 2/5 @ 7 - 9PM &amp; Sat 2/6 @ 9AM - 12PM WT, 5059 Ellsworth, 15213 Early Bird Discount until 11/30</p>	<p>Julie Lowe, counselor and faculty at the Christian Counseling &amp; Educational Foundation. Register on your Church Center App (go to Events) or: <a href="http://tinyurl.com/childproof2021">tinyurl.com/childproof2021</a>. \$15/person ~ <u>Early Bird Discount: \$10/person until 11/30!</u> Julie will teach on how to know, love, and disciple our children using biblical principles and practical wisdom. Contact Charis (<a href="mailto:charis@cityreformed.org">charis@cityreformed.org</a>).</p>
<p><b>Bethany Food Bank and Master's Kitchen Service</b> Thurs @ 9AM - 1PM or 4 - 6PM Fri @ 12 - 1PM</p>	<p>Volunteer to help transport and package food with Bethany Community Ministries. Contact Donna at Bethany: 412.251.1227 or any of the Deacons (<a href="mailto:deacons@cityreformed.org">deacons@cityreformed.org</a>).</p>
<p><b>Adult Class: Introduction to Christianity</b> TODAY ~15 min after service WT Dining Hall</p>	<p>In-person class taught by Dr. David Snoke; bring a lunch. Register on your Church Center App (go to Events), or online: <a href="http://crpc.churchcenter.com/registrations">crpc.churchcenter.com/registrations</a>. Contact David (<a href="mailto:snoke@pitt.edu">snoke@pitt.edu</a>).</p>
<p><b>Men's Discipleship Committee</b></p>	<p>MEN who are interested in discipleship through a mentoring relationship, contact Adam (<a href="mailto:ahs27@pitt.edu">ahs27@pitt.edu</a>).</p>
<p><b>Hiring CRPC Staff Position: Director of Sound &amp; Design</b></p>	<p>Hiring part-time staff to oversee our A/V and web needs. Contact Daniel (<a href="mailto:dsnoke@ccojubilee.org">dsnoke@ccojubilee.org</a>) or Nameun (<a href="mailto:nameun@cityreformed.org">nameun@cityreformed.org</a>).</p>
<p><b>Volunteer Babysitting: Serve &amp; Connect with Our Church Families!</b></p>	<p>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED, help care for children as families navigate these challenging times! Please complete: <a href="http://tinyurl.com/CityBABYSIT">tinyurl.com/CityBABYSIT</a>. Contact Becki (<a href="mailto:becki@cityreformed.org">becki@cityreformed.org</a>).</p>
<p><b>Wednesday Morning Prayer</b> @ 8:30AM <a href="http://tinyurl.com/prayCRPC">tinyurl.com/prayCRPC</a></p>	<p>Join others in the church to pray for the needs of our community and world. Please send prayer requests to <a href="mailto:prayer@cityreformed.org">prayer@cityreformed.org</a>.</p>

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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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