



Sunday Morning Worship
March 13, 2022

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 or visit our website: cityreformed.org.

Reflections

Repentance is never out of season; it is of as frequent use as the artificer's tool or the soldier's weapon.

–Thomas Watson

About Us

Sunday Morning Worship Service

10:15AM
Winchester Thurston Auditorium
5059 Ellsworth Ave
Pittsburgh PA, 15213

LIVESTREAM: tinyurl.com/CRPCLive

Sunday Evening Service

5:30PM
Greenfield Chapel
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Worship Service

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Presider: Elder Andy Leuenberger

Call to Worship: Psalm 86: 1-7

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

Leader Incline your ear, O LORD, and answer me, for I am poor and needy.

People **Preserve my life, for I am godly; save your servant, who trusts in you—you are my God.**

Leader Be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you do I cry all the day.

People **Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.**

Leader For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you.

People **Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer; listen to my plea for grace. In the day of my trouble I call upon you, for you answer me.**

Prayer of Invocation

Arise My Soul Arise

(Words: Charles Wesley 1742 Music: Kevin Twit 1996)

Arise my soul, arise,
Shake off your guilty fears;
The bleeding sacrifice
On my behalf appears.
Before the throne my surety stands,
Before the throne my surety stands,
My name is written on his hands.

He ever lives above,
For me to intercede.
His all redeeming love,
His precious blood to plead.
His blood atoned for every race,
His blood atoned for every race,
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

Arise *Echo: Arise*
Arise *Echo: Arise*
Arise *All: Arise my soul, arise*
Shake off your guilty fears and rise.

Five bleeding wounds he bears,
Received on Calvary.
They pour effectual prayers,
They strongly plead for me.
Forgive him, O forgive they cry.
Forgive him, O forgive they cry,
Don't let that ransomed sinner die.

My God is reconciled,
His pardoning voice I hear;
He owns me for his child,
I can no longer fear;
With confidence I now draw nigh,
With confidence I now draw nigh,
And "Father, Abba, Father!" cry.

Rising Sun

(Words & Music: Leslie Jordan, Kyle Lee, and David Leonard 2012)

Praise Him all you sinners
Sing oh sing you weary
Oh praise Him all you children of God

We lift high His glory
Shown throughout our stories
We praise Him as the children of God

*Our great Redeemer glorious Savior
Your Name is higher than the rising sun
Light of the morning You shine forever
Your Name is higher than the rising sun
Jesus you're greater than the rising sun*

Praise His Name forever
Speak it loud and clear now
Oh praise Him all you children of God

Scripture Reading: Titus 3:3-7

This I Believe - Apostles' Creed

(Words & Music: Ben Fielding & Matt Crocker 2014)

Our Father everlasting
The all creating One
God Almighty
Through Your Holy Spirit
Conceiving Christ the Son
Jesus our Saviour

*I believe in God our Father
I believe in Christ the Son
I believe in the Holy Spirit
Our God is three in One
I believe in the resurrection
That we will rise again
For I believe in the name of Jesus*

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Our judge and our defender
Suffered and crucified
Forgiveness is in You
Descended into darkness
You rose in glorious life
Forever seated high

*I believe in life eternal
I believe in the virgin birth
I believe in the saints' communion
And in Your holy Church
I believe in the resurrection
When Jesus comes again
For I believe in the Name of Jesus*

Call to Confession: Psalm 32:3-5

For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Prayer of Confession:

Father we ask that you would grant to us repentance. We do not have the strength in ourselves to truly repent of sins that we hold dearly. But we profess that you are almighty and able to do all things, that you can change hearts of stone into living hearts, and that you can change our hearts even in the dark places. Open our eyes, Lord, to where you want us to change, and make us able and willing and joyous in that change. We thank you that we are no longer slaves to sin, but alive and free in you, and we proclaim our faith in the goodness of your ways and the power of your Holy Spirit. In the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 32:1-2, 10-11

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit... Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD. Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

Membership Vows: Micah and Catherine Skipper

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; 3929 Coleman St., 15207).

Psalm 130 | From Depths of Woe

(Words: Martin Luther 1524 Music: Christopher Miner 1997)

From the depths of woe I raise to thee
The voice of lamentation;
Lord turn a gracious ear to me
And hear my supplication;
If thou iniquities dost mark
Our secret sins and misdeeds dark
Oh who shall stand before thee? (echo) 2x

To wash away the crimson stain
Grace, grace alone availeth;
Our works, alas, are all in vain;
In much the best life faileth;
No man can glory in thy sight
All must alike confess thy might
And live alone by mercy (echo) 2x

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Therefore my trust is in the Lord,
And not in mine own merit;
On him my soul shall rest, his word
Upholds my fainting spirit;
His promised mercy is my fort,
My comfort, and my sweet support
I wait for it with patience (echo) 2x

What though I wait the livelong night
And 'til the dawn appeareth;
My heart still trusteth in his might;
It doubteth not nor feareth;
Do thus oh ye of Israel's seed,
Ye of the Spirit born indeed
And wait 'til God appeareth (echo) 2x

Though great our sins and sore our woes,
His grace much more aboundeth;
His helping love no limit knows,
Our utmost need it soundeth.
Our shepherd good and true is he,
Who will at last his Israel free
From all their sin and sorrow (echo) 2x

Pastoral Prayer

At this time, children ages 4-7 are invited to continue their worship at Children's Church. Parents please have your children meet the teachers at the back of the sanctuary and pick them up after the sermon from Children's Church.

Sermon: 2 Kings 5:1-14

Elements of Worship

"Made Clean: On Repentance and Confession"

- Reverend Nameun Cho

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master and in high favor, because by him the LORD had given victory to Syria. He was a mighty man of valor, but he was a leper. ²Now the Syrians on one of their raids had carried off a little girl from the land of Israel, and she worked in the service of Naaman's wife. ³She said to her mistress, "Would that my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." ⁴So Naaman went in and told his lord, "Thus and so spoke the girl from the land of Israel." ⁵And the king of Syria said, "Go now, and I will send a letter to the king of Israel."

So he went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten changes of clothing. ⁶And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you Naaman my servant, that you may cure him of his leprosy." ⁷And when the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Only consider, and see how he is seeking a quarrel with me."

⁸But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent to the king, saying, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come now to me, that he may know that there is a prophet in Israel." ⁹So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and stood at the door of Elisha's house. ¹⁰And Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." ¹¹But Naaman was angry and

went away, saying, “Behold, I thought that he would surely come out to me and stand and call upon the name of the LORD his God, and wave his hand over the place and cure the leper. ¹²Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?” So he turned and went away in a rage. ¹³But his servants came near and said to him, “My father, it is a great word the prophet has spoken to you; will you not do it? Has he actually said to you, ‘Wash, and be clean?’” ¹⁴So he went down and dipped himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God, and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God

Additional Scripture

Leviticus 14:8-9 / And he who is to be cleansed shall wash his clothes and shave off all his hair and bathe himself in water, and he shall be clean. And after that he may come into the camp, but live outside his tent seven days. And on the seventh day he shall shave off all his hair from his head, his beard, and his eyebrows. He shall shave off all his hair, and then he shall wash his clothes and bathe his body in water, and he shall be clean.

Deuteronomy. 32:39 / "See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god beside me; I kill and I make alive; I wound and I heal; and there is none that can deliver out of my hand.

Luke 4:27 / "And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian."

2 Corinthians 7:1 / Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, bringing holiness to completion in the fear of God.

1 John 1:9 / If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Songs of Thanksgiving

Laden with Guilt

(Music: Sandra McCracken 2001 Words: Isaac Watts 1766)

Laden with guilt and full of fears,
I fly to thee my Lord.
And not a glimpse of hope appears,
But in thy written word
The volumes of my Father's grace,
Does all my griefs assuage.
Here I behold my Savior's face,
In every page.

This is the field where hidden lies
The pearl of price unknown.
That merchant is divinely wise,
Who makes the pearl his own.
Here consecrated water flows,
To quench my thirst of sin;
Here the fair tree of knowledge grows,
No danger dwells within.

This is the judge that ends the strife,
Where wit and reason fail.
My guide to everlasting life,
Through all this gloomy vale.
Oh may thy counsels, mighty God,
My roving feet command,
Nor I forsake the happy road

There Is A Fountain

(Words & Music: William Cowper & Lowell Mason 1772)

There is a fountain filled with blood
Drawn from Immanuel's veins
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains

The dying thief rejoiced to see
That fountain in his day
And there have I though vile as he
Washed all my sins away (3x)
And there have I though vile as he
Washed all my sins away

Dear dying Lamb Thy precious blood
Shall never lose its power
Till all the ransomed church of God
Be saved to sin no more (3x)
Till all the ransomed church of God
Be saved to sin no more

E'er since by faith I saw the stream
Your flowing wounds supply
Redeeming love has been my theme
And shall be till I die (3x)
Redeeming love has been my theme
And shall be till I die

When this poor lisp'ing, stamm'ring tongue
Lies silent in the grave
Then in a nobler sweeter song
I'll sing Thy pow'r to save (3x)
Then in a nobler sweeter song
I'll sing Thy pow'r to save

Prayer

Announcements

Benediction

Tonight's Service: Elder Jim Partridge will be preaching on Psalm 130.

Upcoming Events

www.cityreformed.org/events

Masking Requirement Change next week	Starting next week, our AM worship services will be mask-optional. For more information on our COVID policies, please contact office@cityreformed.org , visit our website, or see the note from Pastor Matt from March 4th.
<i>Seeking Wisdom: Uniquely Christian Perspectives on the Intersection of Sexuality and Gender</i> March 23 @ 7-8:30PM Greenfield Chapel	Jim Weidenaar from Harvest USA will be leading a seminar discussing the theological and pastoral dynamics of the PCA's recent study paper on human sexuality. Jim served on the PCA's Ad Interim Committee on Human Sexuality, which published the paper on human sexuality.
Women's Ministry Council Bible Study Training, March 19th 9AM-noon Greenfield Chapel	Are you interested in receiving training to lead/colead a Women's Bible Study? The Women's Ministry Council will be leading a workshop to explore the purpose of small group Bible studies, practical suggestions for facilitating discussions well, and the common challenges that leaders face on Saturday, March 19th. This interactive, hands-on training will let you practice various skills in small settings and attending is not a commitment to lead. Contact Rachel Leuenberger (Raleuen@gmail.com).
Spring Women's Brunch April 2nd from 10-noon Greenfield Chapel 3929 Coleman St, Pittsburgh, PA 15207	Rachael Leuenberger will be sharing on "Bring Them Here to Me" Prayer Meditations from the Feeding of the Five Thousand RSVP here: tinyurl.com/crpcbrunch2022 Food Sign Up: tinyurl.com/crpcbrunchfood2022
Sunday School Celebration Brunch April 10th, 9-9:50AM WT cafeteria	Join us on for brunch to celebrate a fantastic year of Sunday School! The morning will begin with breakfast, followed by a time of fellowship and short presentations by each class! If you want to contribute something for the table, please sign up here: tinyurl.com/SSCelebrate All classes are invited - including Adult CE! See you there!

Volunteer Needs

<p>Missions Committee Position Open</p>	<p>The Missions Committee has another open position. Contact Jim Partridge (jim@cityreformed.org) if you are interested in serving on the committee.</p>
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Regular Events

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<p>Global Mission Prayer time CHANGE Mondays @9PM Zoom <i>https://tinyurl.com/crpcglobalprayer</i></p>	<p>The Missions Committee would like to invite you to join our church in prayer for our mission partners on Monday evenings at 9PM. We hope this new time will allow more people to join us in prayer. We will be praying for the Miller's and church planting in Greece.</p>
<p>Wednesday Prayer Meetings Wednesdays 8:30- 9:30 AM</p>	<p>Join our staff as they pray for our church. Wednesday weekly prayer is held on Zoom at: <i>https://tinyurl.com/crpcwednesdayprayer</i></p>
<p>Hymn Sing March 18th @7PM Greenfield Chapel</p>	<p>Come and join our newest specialty group to sing hymns. Hymn sing will plan to meet monthly. Contact Elizabeth Schwab (alyaeru@gmail.com)</p>

Groups

<p>College Students please refer to campus ministry contacts below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CCO at CMU: Nameun Cho (ncho@ccojubilee.org) • CCO at PPU: Katelyn Spallinger (kspallinger@ccojubilee.org) • RUF at Pitt: Callie Miller (callie.miller@ruf.org) • <i>cityreformed.org/collegestudents</i>
<p>Specialty Groups meet in particular areas of interest for Bible study, fellowship, learning, and service. For a complete listing of current groups, please refer to the website.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Agora Forum- Alex Main (amain8511@gmail.com)</i> • <i>Men's New Hope (Joseph@cityreformed.org)</i> • <i>Mommies' Group (Sandy@cityreformed.org)</i> • <i>Wednesday Morning Prayer (Zachary@cityreformed.org)</i> • <i>Men's Discipleship Committee (mdc@cityreformed.org)- MENTORS NEEDED!</i> • <i>Young Adult Women's Fellowship (Katelyn@cityreformed.org)</i>

Community Groups

Community Groups meet for Bible study, fellowship, and service, and are some of the best opportunities to connect with church life - always open for visitors throughout the year. Please contact Pastor Joseph Bianco (Joseph@cityreformed.org) with any questions, and for a listing of current groups, refer to:

www.cityreformed.org/community-groups

Sunday

Fox Chapel*- Watson Barker

North Hills**- David Bacon

Tuesday

Northside- Joe Benscoter & Nathan Schartner

Morningside*- Jeff Winkler

West End*- Jonathan Dodd

Wednesday

Near East Suburban- Jim Partridge

Regent Square- David Snoke

Baldwin/Greenfield*- Joseph Bianco

East Suburban- Joe Stehle

Thursday

Greenfield/North Oakland- Ben Chidester

Forest Hills*- Adam Schwab

*Childcare provided

** Kid's play area available

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