



Sunday Morning Worship  
June 14, 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

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.

- David, King of Israel

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## About Us

### Sunday Morning Worship Service

10:15AM [LIVESTREAM]

[tinyurl.com/CRPCLive](http://tinyurl.com/CRPCLive)

### Church Office

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### Sunday Evening Worship Service

6:00PM [CANCELED]

3929 Coleman St.

Pittsburgh, PA 15207 (Greenfield)

### Donations

Online: [cityreformed.org/give](http://cityreformed.org/give)

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# Worship Service

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Presider: Elder Andy Leuenberger

## Call to Worship: Psalm 46:1-11

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

- Leader God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
- People **Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,  
though the mountains be moved into the heart of  
the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the  
mountains tremble at its swelling.**
- Leader There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,  
the holy habitation of the Most High.
- People **God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God  
will help her when morning dawns.**
- Leader The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice,  
the earth melts.
- People **The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our  
fortress.**
- Leader Come, behold the works of the LORD, how he has brought  
desolations on the earth.
- People **He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks  
the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots  
with fire.**
- Leader "Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among  
the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"
- People **The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our  
fortress.**

# Prayer of Invocation

## Psalm 104 | Rejoice in All Your Works

(Words & Music: Wendell Kimbrough 2014)

Every mouth that cries for food,  
Every lung that yearns for breath,  
Every eye that searches through the dark for light—  
All creation looks to you  
For its breath and for its food.  
From the goodness of your hand we're satisfied.

*Oh rejoice in all your works,  
King of Heaven, King of Earth!  
Every creature you have made declares your praise.  
We rejoice in all you've made,  
God of all-sustaining grace!  
With the mountain, sky, and sea, we sing your praise!*

Every tree that thirsts for rain,  
Every bird that seeks its nest,  
Every heart that waits in hope to be made glad—  
All creation looks to you  
For its breath and for its food.  
From the goodness of your hand we're satisfied

May the pond'nings of my heart,  
And the song upon my lips,  
With the chorus of creation join in praise:  
To the God who made all things,  
To the Spirit who sustains,  
To the Son who over all creation reigns!

## **Solid Rock (My Hope Is Built)**

(Words: Edward Mote 1834; Music: William Batchelder Bradbury 1863)

My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame  
But wholly lean on Jesus' Name

When darkness veils His lovely face  
I rest on His unchanging grace  
In every high and stormy gale  
My anchor holds within the veil

*On Christ the solid Rock I stand  
All other ground is sinking sand  
All other ground is sinking sand*

His oath His covenant His blood  
Support me in the whelming flood  
When all around my soul gives way  
He then is all my Hope and Stay

When He shall come with trumpet sound  
O may I then in Him be found  
Dressed in His righteousness alone  
Faultless to stand before the throne

## **Call to Confession: James 5:16**

...confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed.

## **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: Romans 5:1-2**

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

## **Corporate Prayer**

# Song of Renewal

We consider tithes and offering as an act of worship within the corporate family of Christ. While we are unable to receive your contributions in-person, please direct all giving to our website or via mail ([cityreformed.org/give](http://cityreformed.org/give); 3929 Coleman St., 15207).

## Great Is Thy Faithfulness

(Words: Thomas Obediah Chisholm; Music: William Marion Runyan 1923)

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
There is no shadow of turning with thee;  
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;  
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see:  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

## Pastoral Prayer

## **Sermon: Matthew 9:1-8**

"Sins Forgiven" - Reverend Derek Bates

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**A**nd getting into a boat he crossed over and came to his own city. <sup>2</sup>And behold, some people brought to him a瘫痪者, lying on a bed. And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the瘫痪者, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven." <sup>3</sup>And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." <sup>4</sup>But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? <sup>5</sup>For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise and walk'? <sup>6</sup>But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he then said to the瘫痪者—"Rise, pick up your bed and go home." <sup>7</sup>And he rose and went home. <sup>8</sup>When the crowds saw it, they were afraid, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to men.

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Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

## **Creedal Response: Westminster Shorter Catechism**

Q. 33. What is justification?

A. Justification is an act of God's free grace by which he pardons all our sins and accepts us as righteous in his sight, only because of the righteousness of Christ imputed to us, received by faith alone.

# **Songs of Thanksgiving**

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

## **Wonderful Merciful Savior**

(Words & Music: Dawn Rodgers & Eric Wyse 1989)

Wonderful merciful Savior  
Precious Redeemer and Friend  
Who would have thought that a Lamb could  
Rescue the souls of men  
Oh, You rescue the souls of men

*You are the One that we praise  
You are the One we adore  
You give the healing and grace our  
Hearts always hunger for  
Oh, our hearts always hunger for*

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper  
Spirit we long to embrace  
You offer hope when our hearts have  
Hopelessly lost their way  
Oh we hopelessly lost the way

Almighty, infinite, Father,  
Faithfully loving Your own  
Here in our weakness You find us  
Falling before Your throne  
Oh, we're falling before Your throne

## **Christ Is Able**

(Words: Joseph Hart 1759; Music: Mike Harland & Tommy Walker 2009)

Come ye sinners poor and needy  
Come ye wounded, weak and worn.  
Jesus ready stands to save you,  
Full of pity joined with pow'r.

Come ye needy, come and welcome  
God's free bounty glorify;  
True belief and true repentance,  
Ev'ry grace that brings you nigh.

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*He is able. He is able.  
Christ is able doubt no more.  
Come ye sinners poor and needy,  
Christ is able still to save.*

Come ye weary, heavy laden,  
Bruised and broken by the fall;  
If you tarry till you're better  
You will never come at all.

Come ye ransomed and forgiven.  
Come ye rescued from the grave,  
Rise and worship Christ our Savior,  
For the glory of His name.

## Prayer

## Announcements

## Benediction

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

## Life Together

Additional detail can be found on: [cityreformed.org/events](http://cityreformed.org/events).

<b>Re-Opening Survey</b> <a href="http://tinyurl.com/CRGreenSurvey">tinyurl.com/ CRGreenSurvey</a>	Calling all members and regular attenders to fill out and submit the survey by Tuesday 6/16 11PM. Gathering your input helps us plan to re-open the Sunday morning service in early July.
<b>Attending Sunday Service "In-Person" for 50 Max Attendance</b>	Sign up by emailing <a href="mailto:sol@cityreformed.org">sol@cityreformed.org</a> . Each week we will invite people within this pool to fill open seats. Anyone who signs up is agreeing to abide by the guidelines for official activities (as outlined in the 5/14 member letter), including wearing a facemask throughout the service.
<b>Zoom Call for Children</b> Sun 6/14 @ 12PM	Children, meet with Pastor Matt & Chrissie today! For Zoom link, contact Charis ( <a href="mailto:charis@cityreformed.org">charis@cityreformed.org</a> ).

<b>Agora Forum</b> Mon 6/15 @ 7PM <a href="http://tinyurl.com/CRPCAgora">tinyurl.com/CRPCAgora</a>	We will be discussing Christian community and fellowship in a COVID19 era, recognizing that the foundation is a spiritual relationship with Christ. Contact Kathryn (klclaudy@gmail.com).
<b>Women's Bible Study</b> Mon 6/15 @ 7PM Zoom	"Becoming A Woman of Strength" meets every other Monday via Zoom. For the zoom link, contact Cathy (lawyerdad5@aol.com).
<b>Psalms Hymn Sing</b> Tues 6/16 @ 6:30-8PM 3929 Coleman St., 15207 <a href="http://youtu.be/HZHWXiyUdMs">youtu.be/HZHWXiyUdMs</a>	Please join us in-person (bring your masks) or online ( <a href="http://youtu.be/HZHWXiyUdMs">youtu.be/HZHWXiyUdMs</a> ) for a Hymn Sing through the Psalms. Listen to the playlist beforehand to prepare for the new songs: <a href="http://tinyurl.com/YouTubePsalmsPlaylist">tinyurl.com/YouTubePsalmsPlaylist</a> OR <a href="http://tinyurl.com/AppleMusicPsalmsPlaylist">tinyurl.com/AppleMusicPsalmsPlaylist</a> . Contact Jeff (jeffreypwinkler@gmail.com).
<b>Wednesday Morning Prayer</b> @ 8:30AM <a href="http://tinyurl.com/CRPCpray">tinyurl.com/CRPCpray</a>	We invite you to join others in the church to pray for the needs of our community and world. Feel free to send prayer requests to <a href="mailto:prayer@cityreformed.org">prayer@cityreformed.org</a> .
<b>Membership Class Zoom</b> Fri 6/19 @ 7-9:30PM & Sat 6/20 @ 9-1PM	Learn more about our church! For the Zoom link, contact Pastor Nameun (nameun@cityreformed.org). Sign up ahead of time: <a href="http://crpc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events">crpc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events</a> .
<b>City Women's Literary Society (CWLS)</b> Tues 6/23 @ 7:30-9PM	Start reading <i>The Screwtape Letters</i> by C.S. Lewis to join the discussion! For the Zoom link, contact Kimberly (ksgirard@gmail.com).
<b>Work Days</b>	Do you have some free time to work on the church building? Volunteers are welcome! Days and times are flexible, so please contact Gary to arrange (412-901-5266 or <a href="mailto:building@cityreformed.org">building@cityreformed.org</a> ).
<b>Caring for Each Other and the Deacon's List</b>	Please update the deacons if you have needs or if you have abilities and resources to share with others. Contact Nik Melchior ( <a href="mailto:nik@alum.wustl.edu">nik@alum.wustl.edu</a> ) or any of the deacons.
<b>Make Connections via Online Media</b>	As the Covid-19 restrictions limit our ability to connect with other people, we need to work harder to develop healthy relationships through alternative means. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To learn more about community groups (CGs) contact Joseph (<a href="mailto:joseph@cityreformed.org">joseph@cityreformed.org</a>)</li> <li>• To learn about how to connect with other women in the church (including small groups or CGs) contact Sandy (<a href="mailto:sandy@cityreformed.org">sandy@cityreformed.org</a>)</li> <li>• To learn about men's discipleship programs contact Jim (<a href="mailto:partridge.je6@gmail.com">partridge.je6@gmail.com</a>).</li> </ul>
<b>Pastoral Devotionals</b> <a href="http://tinyurl.com/CRPCPastorJoseph">tinyurl.com/CRPCPastorJoseph</a>	Join Pastor Joseph online for encouragement while we are in our homes and away from each other.

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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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