

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

And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

- Matthew 28:18-20

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 3929 Coleman Street Pittsburgh PA, 15207

Church Office

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Center App:

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Church)

Worship Service

City Reformed Presbyterian Church Sunday Morning Worship – January 30, 2022

Presider: Reverend Matthew Koerber

Call to Worship: Isaiah 6:1-3

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

Leader In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple.

People Above him stood the seraphim.

Leader Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said:

People "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!"

Prayer of Invocation

Psalm 34 | Taste and See

(Words & Music: Joe Rigney & Shane Barnard 2015)

I sought the Lord and He answered me And delivered me from ev'ry fear Those who look on Him are radiant They'll never be ashamed They'll never be ashamed

This poor man cried and the Lord heard me And saved me from my enemies The Son of God surrounds His saints He will deliver them He will deliver them

Magnify the Lord with me Come exalt His name together Glorify the Lord with me Come exalt His name forever

O taste and see that the Lord is good O blessed is he who hides in Him O fear the Lord O all you saints He'll give you ev'rything He'll give you ev'rything

Let us bless the Lord Ev'ry day and night Never ending praise May our incense rise

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 4: 14-16

O Come To The Altar

(Words & Music: Christopher Brown, Mack Brock, Steven Furtick, and Wade Joye 2015)

Are you hurting and broken within
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin
Jesus is calling
Have you come to the end of yourself
Do you thirst for a drink from the well
Jesus is calling

O come to the altar The Father's arms are open wide Forgiveness was bought with The precious blood of Jesus Christ

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes Come today there's no reason to wait Jesus is calling Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy From the ashes a new life is born Jesus is calling

Oh what a Savior Isn't he wonderful Sing alleluia Christ is risen Bow down before him For he is Lord of all Sing alleluia Christ is risen

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown Tell the world of the treasure you've found

I Need Thee Every Hour

(Words & Music: Annie Hawks & Robert Lowry 1872)

I need Thee every hour, most gracious Lord; No tender voice like Thine can peace afford.

I need Thee every hour, stay Thou nearby; Temptations lose their power when Thou art nigh.

I need Thee, O I need Thee; Every hour I need Thee; O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.

I need Thee every hour, in joy or pain; Come quickly and abide, or life is in vain.

I need Thee every hour; teach me Thy will; And Thy rich promises in me fulfill.

Call to Confession: Isaiah 6:4-5

And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

Prayer of Confession:

Great God in Heaven, we cry out with the prophet Isaiah, "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" You are perfect in holiness and your glory reveals our sin and imperfections. Our lips are unclean. We speak words and hurt others and we have slandered your name. These words are the overflow of our hearts and we stand exposed before you. What is more, we are part of a sinful people. Our society and our relationships are characterized by malice and selfishness and greed. We are a people with unclean lips. We pray, Lord, that you forgive us and heal our sins. Help us to love each other instead of consuming each other. We pray that the love of Christ would be worked out in our lives and in our church.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Isaiah 6:6-7

Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for."

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 24 | We Long to See You

(Words & Music: Wendell Kimbrough 2015)

Almighty God, we long to see you. Open our hearts and make them pure. Spirit, we wash our hands in mercy. Come teach our souls to love your truth.

Pastoral Prayer

Today is an all-age service when our kids join us for the sermon. Pastor Matt will be giving out lollipops to those that present him with a drawing or notes of the sermon!

Sermon: Reverend Carl Ellis

(See insert)

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Creedal Response: Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. § The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,* the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

- § Christ suffered God's wrath on the cross
- * Universal church

Notes		

Songs of Thanksgiving

In Christ Alone

(Words & Music: Keith Getty & Stuart Townend 2001)

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my all in all
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless Babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the pow'r of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No pow'r of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
'Til He returns or calls me home
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand

Come Thou Fount

(Words: Robert Robinson & Martin Madan 1760 Music: Unknown)

Come thou fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing thy grace. Streams of mercy never ceasing Call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet Sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it, Mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer,
Hither by thy help I'm come,
And I hope by thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God.
He to rescue me from danger
Interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be. Let that grace now like a fetter Bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love. Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for thy courts above.

Prayer

Announcements

Benediction

Tonight's Service: Reverend Joseph Bianco will be preaching on Psalm 34 " The Radiant Face"

Upcoming Events

www.cityreformed.org/events

Welcome and Activities Ice Skating Feb 6, 1:30-3:00PM	The Welcome and Activities Committee is hosting a church-wide trip to the Schenley Park skating rink next Sunday from 1:30-3:00PM. Contact Joe Stehle (joestehle@gmail.com) for more information.
Welcome and Activities: Virtual Trivia Night	The Welcome and Activities Committee is hosting a church-wide virtual trivia night on Friday, February 25th. Contact Ben Sera (bensera11@gmail.com) for more information.
Women's Choice Network Baby Bottles	Once again we are participating in Women's Choice Network's Baby Bottle Campaign. We are collecting donations through the Month of February. You can pick up a bottle to fill at church or you can give online by clicking "give" at ebottle.org and selecting City Reformed. Please return the bottles by February 27th.
Global Missions Prayer Survey	The missions committee is considering changing the time of global missions prayer. If you are interested in joining us as we pray for our mission partners, please fill out this availability survey: https://bit.ly/globalprayer22
Save the Date: Men's Retreat March 4-5	The men's discipleship committee is planning to host our annual men's retreat this year on March 4th and 5th at Ligonier Camp and Conference Center. Contact Jim@cityreformed.org for more information.
Membership Class Friday 2/4 @7:30PM & Saturda 2/5@ 9-1PM	Join us at our next class to learn more about the church and/or become a member. Please RSVP on your Church Center App (go to Events) or online: https://crpc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1142606 Contact Nameun@cityreformed.org

Volunteer and Employment Needs

Children's Church Assistants and Teachers We are currently looking to add Lead Teachers to our Children's Church volunteer team! Adding 5 people to this team would allow Lead Teachers to make the one month commitment, once a year. Contact AllisonH@cityreformed.org

10 Minute Trainings

We will be conducting quick refresher sessions for our volunteer teams in January. We will have one volunteer team a week gather in the cafeteria following service for 10 minutes of refreshers and questions. If you are interested in joining a volunteer team, this is a great way to get some more information.

January 30th- Setup and Tear Down February 6th- Nursery and Children's Church

Regular Events

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Women's Tuesday Bible Study
Tuesday Mornings via
Zoom @ 10-11:15AM

The Women's Tuesday Bible study has resumed and is studying the 90 Day Reading Plan. For more information, contact Patty Stehle (pjstehle@gmail.com)
Study link: tinyurl.com/crpcwomenstuesdaystudy22

Groups

College Students please refer to campus ministry contacts below:

- 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)
- cityreformed.org/collegestudents

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.

- Agora Forum- Alex Main (amain8511@gmail.com)
- Men's New Hope (Joseph@cityreformed.org)
- Mommies' Group (Sandy@cityreformed.org)
- Wednesday Morning Prayer (Zachary@cityreformed.org)
- Men's Discipleship Committee (mdc@cityreformed.org)- MENTORS NEEDED!
- Young Adult Women's Fellowship (Katelyn@cityreformed.org)

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

Wednesday

Near East Suburban- Jim Partridge Regent Square- David Snoke Baldwin/Greenfield*- Joseph Bianco East Suburban- Joe Stehle West End*- Jonathan Dodd

Thursday

Greenfield/North Oakland- Ben Chidester Forest Hills*- Adam Schwab

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All scripture verses are the English Standard Version (ESV), unless otherwise noted.

^{*}Childcare provided

^{**} Kid's play area available