

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

"For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit."

- 1 Corinthians, 12:12-13

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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Welcome Information:



Donations

Online: Church Center App (Give)
OR cityreformed.org/give
Mail: Church Office address above "Attn:
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payable to City Reformed Presbyterian
Church)

Morning Worship Service

City Reformed Presbyterian Church Sunday Morning Worship – February 12, 2023

Presider: Elder Dave Snoke

Call to Worship: Colossians 2:6-15

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

Leader Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

People See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ.

Leader For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ,

People Having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead.

Leader And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

People He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

Prayer of Invocation

O The Deep Deep Love of Jesus

(Words: Samuel T. Francis 1800's; Music: Thomas J. Williams 1890)

O the deep, deep love of Jesus, Vast, unmeasured, boundless free. Rolling as a mighty ocean In its fullness over me. Underneath me, all around me, Is the current of Thy love. Leading onward, leading homeward, To thy glorious rest above.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus, Spread His praise from shore to shore. How He loveth, ever loveth, Changeth never, never more. How he watches o'er his loved ones, Died to call them all his own. How for them he intercedeth, Watcheth o'er them from the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus, Love of every love the best. 'Tis an ocean vast of blessing, 'Tis a haven sweet of rest. O the deep, deep love of Jesus, 'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me. And it lifts me up to glory, For it lifts me up to thee.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 27:1-4,13-14

Psalm 27 | The Everlasting

(Words & Music: Fellowship Church 2010)

The Lord is my light and salvation Whom shall I fear of whom shall I be afraid The Lord is the strength of my life Whom shall I fear of whom shall I be afraid

I will wait for you I will wait for you I will wait for you I will wait for you

I will remain confident in this
I will see the goodness of the Lord
I will remain confident in this
I will see the goodness of the Lord

We set our hope on You
We set our hope on Your love
We set our hope on the Lord
Who is the everlasting God
You are the everlasting God

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

Call to Confession: Colossians 3:1-4

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

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: Colossians 1:21-22

And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him.

Corporate Prayer

Song of Renewal

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

The Lord's Prayer

(Music: Daniel Snoke 2021)

Our Father in heaven
Hallowed be your Name
Your kingdom come
Your will be done
On earth as in heaven

Give to us today the bread that we need Forgive us our debts as we forgive Lead us not into temptation we pray Deliver us from the evil one

For the kingdom power glory are yours Forever amen forever amen For the kingdom power glory are yours Forever amen forever amen

Lord hear our prayer
Lead us in love for
Yours is the name above all names

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 from G8 after the sermon from Children's Church.

Sermon: 1 Peter 5:1-14

"Humility Part 2: Spiritual Conflict"

- Reverend Matt Koerber

So I exhort the elders among you, as a fellow elder and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as a partaker in the glory that is going to be revealed: 2shepherd the flock of God that is among you, exercising oversight, not under compulsion, but willingly, as God would have you; not for shameful gain, but eagerly; 3not domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock. 4And when the chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory. 5Likewise, you who are younger, be subject to the elders. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, ⁷casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. ⁸Be soberminded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. ⁹Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. ¹⁰And 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. ¹¹To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

¹²By Silvanus, a faithful brother as I regard him, I have written briefly to you, exhorting and declaring that this is the true grace of God. Stand firm in it. ¹³She who is at Babylon, who is likewise chosen, sends you greetings, and so does Mark, my son. ¹⁴Greet one another with the kiss of love.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Additional Scriptures

Ephesians 6:10-12 / Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

Scriptural Response: James 4:7-10

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

Songs of Thanksgiving

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

(Words & Music: Martin Luther 1529)

A mighty fortress is our God, A bulwark never failing; Our helper he amid the flood Of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe Doth seek to work us woe; His craft and power are great, And armed with cruel hate--On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, Our striving would be losing, Were not the right man on our side, The man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he; Lord Sabbaoth, his name, From age to age the same--And he must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, Should threaten to undo us, We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us. The Prince of Darkness grim, We tremble not for him; His rage we can endure, For lo, his doom is sure--One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers, No thanks to them, abideth; The Spirit and the gifts are ours, Through him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, This mortal life also; The body they may kill; God's truth abideth still; His kingdom is forever.

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

(Words & Music: Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, & Michael Farren 2018)

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer There is no more for heaven now to give He is my joy my righteousness and freedom My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace

To this I hold my hope is only Jesus For my life is wholly bound to his Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine Yet not I but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken For by my side the Saviour he will stay I labor on in weakness and rejoicing For in my need his power is displayed

To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me Through the deepest valley he will lead Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome Yet not I but through Christ in me

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven The future sure the price it has been paid For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon And he was raised to overthrow the grave To this I hold my sin has been defeated Jesus now and ever is my plea Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free Yet not I but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus For he has said that he will bring me home And day by day I know he will renew me Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold my hope is only Jesus All the glory evermore to him When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat Yet not I but through Christ in me

Benediction

Tonight's Worship Service, Reverend Derek Bates will be preaching from Luke 24.13-35, "Hospitality and the Ministry of the Word."

Announcements

www.cityreformed.org/events

New ministry – Wednesday Lunch 12pm	The second meeting of a new ministry, tentatively called "Bean Sprouts", will be held at the Greenfield Building on Wednesday, February 15, 2023 at Noon. The ministry is primarily for and by retirement aged adults. Please join us, and possibly bring a friend, for conversation, song, prayer, and teaching. If you have questions, or want to let us know you are coming, please send an e-mail to joestehle@gmail.com.
CRPC Mission partner Susannah S. Update and care	If you'd like email updates from the mission committee for specific needs as they come up, contact Katrina Campbell (katrina.campbell.170@gmail.com).
Membership Class Friday night and Saturday morning: Feb 24-25	Are you new to City Reformed? Would you like to learn more about our church? Are you interested in becoming a member at our church? Join us as we give a broad overview of our ministry, theology, and church structure! Registration can be found on our website. Contact nameun@cityreformed.org for more information.
"Brain, Self and God" Feb 25 6:30-8:30 PM	Derek Bates and Callie Miller will do our first "Embodiment Seminar" on "Brain, Self and God" on Saturday evening, Feb 25.
Women's Choice Network Baby Bottle Campaign	Through the month of February we are participating in Women's Choice Network's baby bottle fundraising campaign. Take a baby bottle home from church any Sunday this month, fill it with change, cash, or a check, and bring it back to church by March 5th. Or give online at https://page.fundeasy.com/5973944. 100% of the funds raised go directly to fund life-giving client services. Contact Debbie Bacon (dpasewark@gmail.com) with any questions.
Congregational Meeting Recording	Please contact Chrissie Koerber, chrissie@cityreformed. org if you would like the link to the recorded Congregational Meeting.

Board Game Nights 1st Monday of every month 6-9 PM	Join us March 6 from 6-9PM for the next monthly board game night (first Monday of each month) in the Greenfield chapel. Contact Gary Atcheson for more details gatcheson@gmail.com.	
Agora Every other Monday @ 7PM 3929 Coleman St.	We discuss theology and popular culture topics from a Christian perspective. We meet every other Monday at the Greenfield Chapel at 7 pm (3929 Coleman St). The next meeting is February 20. We will be continuing our series: "Four movies that changed American culture." Contact Alex Main (amain8511@gmail.com)	
Youth Group Wednesday Nights EVO 250 S. Pacific Ave., Pittsburgh, PA, 15224	Calling all 6th-12th graders at City Reformed! Join us at Seeds 4 the City, City Reformed's combined youth group with Fourth Presbyterian Church (EPC) and Seeds of Hope Anglican Church. We'll be meeting at Earthen Vessels Outreach (EVO). Light snacks, fellowship, games, prayer, and a variety of interactions with God's Word fill our time together. Contact Pastor John with questions at john@cityreformed.org, or 412-737-8959. Hope to see you there! Spring YG dates: 2/22, 3/8, 3/22.	
Mens Discipleship	Please contact Adam Schwab (ahs27@pitt.edu) if you are interested in getting more connected.	
Wednesday Prayer Meetings 8:30-9:30 AM	Join our staff as they pray for our church. Wednesday weekly prayer is held on Zoom at: https://tinyurl.com/crpcwednesdayprayer	
Global Mission Prayer Mondays @9PM	Join our church in prayer for our mission partners We will be praying for Jeff and Jamie in SE Asia. Zoom link: https://tinyurl.com/crpcglobalprayer	

Employment and Volunteer Needs www.cityreformed.org/employment

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: Gavin Breeden & Callie Miller (gavin.breeden@ruf.org, callie.miller@ruf.org)
- cityreformed.org/collegestudents

Specialty Groups meet in particular areas of interest for Bible study, fellowship, learning, and service.

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

Woman's Ministry Council

- Informal frisbee (danielrtoney@gmail.com)
- Board Game Gatherings (gatcheson@gmail.com)

Leadership

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Elder Jim Partridge's health	https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/
updates can be found here:	jimandtracyjourney

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

Monday

Forest Hills*- Adam Schwab

Tuesday

Northside- Joe Benscoter & Nathan Schartner Friendship**- Michael Hilton Morningside** - Jeff Winkler West Hills*- Jonathan Dodd

Wednesday

Regent Square- David Snoke Baldwin/Greenfield*- Joseph Bianco East Suburban- Joe Stehle

Thursday

Shadyside - Ben Chidester Near East Suburban- Jim Partridge

- *Childcare provided
- ** Kid's play area available

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