

Sunday Morning Worship April 23, 2023

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 where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

- Luke 12:34

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

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Welcome Information:



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Morning Worship Service

City Reformed Presbyterian Church Sunday Morning Worship – April 23, 2023 Presider: Elder Andy Leuenberger

Call to Worship: Psalm 37:1-7a

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

- Leader Fret not yourself because of evildoers; be not envious of wrongdoers! For they will soon fade like the grass and wither like the green herb.
- People Trust in the LORD, and do good; dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness. Delight yourself in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.
- Leader Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act. He will bring forth your righteousness as the light, and your justice as the noonday.
- People Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him.

Prayer of Invocation

Christ The Lord Is Risen Today

(Words: Charles Wesley 1739; Music: John Walsh 1708)

Christ the Lord is risen today - Alleluia Sons of men and angels say - Alleluia Raise your joys and triumphs high - Alleluia Sing ye heav'ns and earth reply - Alleluia

Love's redeeming work is done - Alleluia Fought the fight the battle won - Alleluia Lo the Sun's eclipse is o'er - Alleluia Lo He sets in blood no more - Alleluia

Vain the stone the watch the seal - Alleluia Christ has burst the gates of hell - Alleluia Death in vain forbids Him rise - Alleluia Christ has opened paradise - Alleluia

Lives again our glorious King - Alleluia Where, O death, is now thy sting - Alleluia Once He died our souls to save - Alleluia Where thy victory O grave - Alleluia

Hail the Lord of earth and Heaven - Alleluia Praise to Thee by both be given - Alleluia Thee we greet triumphant now - Alleluia Hail the resurrection thou - Alleluia

Glorify Thy Name (Words & Music: Donna Adkins 1976)

Father we love You We worship and adore You Glorify Thy name in all the earth Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name Glorify Thy name in all the earth

Jesus we love You We worship and adore You Glorify Thy name in all the earth Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name Glorify Thy name in all the earth

Spirit we love You We worship and adore You Glorify Thy name in all the earth Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name Glorify Thy name in all the earth

Call to Confession: Romans 8:12-14

So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.

Prayer of Confession:

Father, we hunger for many things. We bring our needs to you and trust you to provide the bread we need each day. Calm our fears, protect us from evil, strengthen us in doubt, relieve our burdens, heal our diseases. But as we receive these gifts from you, help us to see you more clearly. May we desire not only to receive your gifts, but to know the giver. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Romans 8:15-17

For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

Baptism: Alden Dodd, son of Jonathan and Jamie Dodd

Question to the Congregation:

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of this child?

Corporate Prayer

Song of Renewal

We consider tithes & offering as an act of worship within the corporate family of Christ. Take a moment and fill out your care card and please use offering bags or direct giving online or via mail (cityreformed.org/give; 3929 Coleman St., 15207).

Wood and Nails

(Words & Music: Isaac Wardell, Keith Watts, & Madison Cunningham 2017)

O humble carpenter down on your hands and knees Look on your handiwork and build a house So you may dwell in me So you may dwell in me

The work was done with nothing but wood and nails In Your scar-borne hands O show me how to work and praise Trusting that I am Your instrument

O loving laborer with the sweat upon your face O build a table that I too may join you In the Father's place Oh in the Father's place

The kingdom's come and built upon Wood and nails gripped with joyfulness So send me out within Your ways Knowing that the task is finished

The dead will rise and give You praise Wood and nails will not hold them down These wooden tombs we'll break them soon And fashion them into flower beds

The curse is done the battle won Swords bent down into plowshares Your scar-borne hands we'll join with them Serving at the table You've prepared

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 Room 115 after the sermon from Children's Church.

Sermon:

Matthew 6:19-34 "Treasures in Heaven"

- Reverend Nameun Cho

D o not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, ²⁰but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

²²"The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, ²³but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!

²⁴"No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.

²⁵"Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? ²⁸And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ³⁰But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? ³¹Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' ³²For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. ³³But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

³⁴"Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Additional Scriptures

Proverbs 1:7 / The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Matthew 6:1-4 / "Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven. "Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you."

James 4:13-14 / Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and make a profit"— yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes.

Scripture Response: 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.

Notes

Songs of Thanksgiving

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

Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

(Words: Louisa M. R. Stead 1882 - Music: William J. Kirkpatrick 1882)

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus Just to take Him at His word Just to rest upon His promise And to know thus saith the Lord

O how sweet to trust in Jesus Just to trust His cleansing blood Just in simple faith to plunge me 'Neath the healing cleansing flood

> Jesus Jesus how I trust Him How I've proved Him o'er and o'er Jesus Jesus precious Jesus O for grace to trust Him more

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus Just from sin and self to cease Just from Jesus simply taking Life and rest and joy and peace

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee Precious Jesus Savior Friend And I know that Thou art with me Wilt be with me to the end

Benediction

At tonight's Worship Service, Reverend Nameun Cho will be preaching from 2 Corinthians 5:11-21, "The Ministry of Reconciliation."

Announcements

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Children's Church THIS week: April 23	Children's Church will meet in room 115 next week. If you need help locating that room for pickup, please ask an usher or greeter! We will return to our normal space in May.
Spring Seminar on Embodiment: NEXT Saturday, April 29, 10AM-1PM	Spring Seminar on Embodiment: "Responding to Transgender Challenges." Saturday, April 29, 10:00- 12:00; Luncheon Workshop, 12:00-1:00. Food will be provided. Greenfield Chapel, 3929 Coleman St. 15207. A Biblically based engagement with contemporary questions around transgender concerns, seeking to be practical, truthful, and compassionate.
Marathon Sunday! May 7th	The closed roads' map can be found here: https://www. thepittsburghmarathon.com/pages/getting-around-town & more information will follow in next week's weekly email!
Called Congregtaional meeting: May 21st, WT Auditorium, 11:50AM-1:20PM	Voting on Nameun Cho's Associate Pastor call and questions related to vision and property search. Q@A before will be held on Zoom April 30, 2PM. In- person Sunday May 14, 9:00-9:50AM, WT.
VBS - Save the Date!	CRPC Children's Ministry invites you to mark your calendars for the week of July 10th for VBS 2023! We can't wait to see you there!
Join the VBS Planning Team	Do you have a gift for decorating? Organizing? Planning? Have ideas to help VBS run smoothly? Consider joining the VBS Planning Team. All ages are welcome! We will meet 2-3 times between now and VBS. Contact Becki if you're interested! becki@cityreformed.org.

Regular Events

www.cityreformed.org/events

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 May 1. 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 EVO, City Reformed's combined youth group with Fourth Presbyterian Church (EPC) and Seeds of Hope Anglican Church. 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. Spring YG dates: 5/3, 5/17, and 5/31.

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: <i>https://tinyurl.com/crpcwednesdayprayer.</i>
Global Mission Prayer Mondays @9PM	Join our church in prayer for our mission partners. We will be praying for Adrienne Willhoft. Zoom link: https://tinyurl.com/crpcglobalprayer.
Young Adult Women's Discipleship Group	Wednesdays bi-weekly (April 26th) @ 7PM at Katelyn Spallinger's Home (1815 Sarah St., Pittsburgh, PA 15203): Studying Colossians. For more info, or to be added to a separate email list for this group, contact Katelyn Spallinger (katelyn@cityreformed.org).
Ultimate Frisbee 12:45 Sundays	Anyone who is interested in playing Ultimate Frisbee is welcome to join us after Church (12:45) at Westinghouse Park. All skill levels are welcome! Contact Dan Toney (danielrtoney@gmail.com) for more information.

Our 2023 Graduates! Congratulations!

Leon Feldmann Janine Gould Zachary Gould Hannah Woo Isaac Koerber Will Girard Sam Leong Topher Bernard Theo Campbell Sharon Lam Elizabeth Imhoff Alethea Carroll Teddy Chao Aaron Bliss Stephen Funni

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)
- Ultimate Frisbee (danielrtoney@gmail.com)
- Board Game Gatherings (gatcheson@gmail.com)

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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 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