



**Sunday Morning Worship**  
**May 10, 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

If I belittle those whom I am called to serve, talk of their weak points in contrast perhaps with what I think of as my strong points; if I adopt a superior attitude, forgetting "who made thee to differ? and what hast thou that thou hast not received?" then I know nothing of Calvary love.

- Amy Carmichael

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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.

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### Donations

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

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# Worship Service

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Presider: Reverend Derek Bates

## Call to Worship: Psalm 95:1-7

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

Leader Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

People **Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

Leader For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.

People **The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.**

Leader Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

People **For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.**

## Prayer of Invocation

### Were You There

*(Words & Music: African American Spiritual)*

Were you there when they crucified my Lord  
Were you there when they crucified my Lord  
Oh - Sometimes it causes me to tremble tremble tremble  
Were you there when they crucified my Lord

Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb  
Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb  
Oh - Sometimes it causes me to tremble tremble tremble  
Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb

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Were you there when the stone was rolled away  
Were you there when the stone was rolled away  
Oh - Sometimes it causes me to tremble tremble tremble  
Were you there when the stone was rolled away

Were you there when he rose up from the dead  
Were you there when he rose up from the dead  
Oh - Sometimes I feel like shouting glory glory glory  
Were you there when he rose up from the dead

## **All Hail the Power of Jesus Name**

*(Words: Edward Perronet 1780; Music: Oliver Holden 1793)*

All hail the power of Jesus' name  
Let angels prostrate fall  
Bring forth the royal diadem  
And crown Him Lord of all  
Bring forth the royal diadem  
And crown Him Lord of all

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race  
Ye ransomed from the fall  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace  
And crown Him Lord of all  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace  
And crown Him Lord of all

Let every kindred every tribe  
On this terrestrial ball  
To Him all majesty ascribe  
And crown Him Lord of all  
To Him all majesty ascribe  
And crown Him Lord of all

O that with yonder sacred throng  
We at His feet may fall  
We'll join the everlasting song  
And crown Him Lord of all  
We'll join the everlasting song  
And crown Him Lord of all

## **Call to Confession: Galatians 5:14-15**

For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another.

## **Prayer of Confession**

O Lover of the Loveless, it is your will that we should love you with heart, mind, soul, and strength, and our neighbors as ourselves. But we are not sufficient for this. There is by nature no pure love in our souls. We cannot love you, lovely as you are, until you first set us free. But by grace we are free and desire to serve you. We believe that you yourself have atoned for our sin and redeemed us through the blood of Jesus, and that our sins are forgiven. With this freedom we want always to obey you, but we cannot do it unless your Spirit draws us nearer and dearer to you and your ways. Order all our ways according to your Holy Word and make your commands the joy of our heart. Make us grow in love for you and our neighbor. Amen.

## **Silent Confession**

### **Assurance of Pardon: 1 John 4:10**

In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

## **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; 3929 Coleman St., 15207).*

## Stronger

*(Words & Music: Ben Fielding & Reuben Morgan 2007)*

There is Love that came for us  
Humbled to a sinner's cross  
You broke my shame and sinfulness  
You rose again victorious

Faithfulness none can deny  
Through the storm and through the fire  
There is truth that sets me free  
Jesus Christ who lives in me

*You are stronger  
You are stronger  
Sin is broken  
You have saved me  
It is written  
Christ is risen  
Jesus You are Lord of all*

No beginning and no end  
You're my hope and my defense  
You came to seek and save the lost  
You paid it all upon the cross

So let Your Name be lifted higher  
Be lifted higher  
Be lifted higher

## Pastoral Prayer

## Sermon: 1 Corinthians 12:27-13:13

"The Most Excellent Way" - Reverend Matt Koerber

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Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. <sup>28</sup>And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and various kinds of tongues. <sup>29</sup>Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? <sup>30</sup>Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? <sup>31</sup>But earnestly desire the higher gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

<sup>13:1</sup>If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup>And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup>If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant <sup>5</sup>or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup>it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. <sup>7</sup>Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

<sup>8</sup>Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. <sup>9</sup>For we know in part and we prophesy in part, <sup>10</sup>but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. <sup>11</sup>When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. <sup>12</sup>For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then

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face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known. <sup>13</sup>So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

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**Leader** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People** **Thanks be to God.**

## Additional Scripture

Leviticus 19:18 / You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

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John 15:12-13 / "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.

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James 2:8-9 / If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well. But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors.

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1 Peter 4:8 / Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins.

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## Scriptural Response: 1 John 4:7-12

**Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.**



# Songs of Thanksgiving

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

## Take My Life and Let It Be

*(Words: Frances R. Havergal 1874; Music: Henri A. Cesar Malan 1823)*

Take my life and let it be  
Consecrated Lord to thee  
Take my moments and my days  
Let them flow in ceaseless praise (2x)

Take my hands and let them move  
At the impulse of thy love  
Take my feet and let them be  
Swift and beautiful for thee (2x)

Take my silver and my gold  
Not a mite would I withhold  
Take my intellect and use  
Ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose (2x)

Take my will and make it thine  
It shall be no longer mine  
Take my heart it is thine own  
It shall be thy royal throne (2x)

Take my love my Lord I pour  
At thy feet its treasure store  
Take myself and I will be  
Ever only all for thee (2x)

## Crown Him With Many Crowns

*(Words: Matthew Bridges 1951; Music: George Job Elvey 1868)*

Crown Him with many crowns  
The Lamb upon His throne  
Hark how the heavenly anthem drowns  
All music but its own  
Awake my soul and sing  
Of Him who died for thee  
And hail Him as thy matchless King  
Through all eternity

Crown Him the Lord of life  
Who triumphed o'er the grave  
And rose victorious in the strife  
For those He came to save  
His glories now we sing  
Who died and rose on high  
Who died eternal life to bring  
And lives that death may die

Crown Him the Lord of peace  
Whose pow'r a sceptre sways  
From pole to pole  
That wars may cease  
And all be prayer and praise  
His reign shall know no end  
And round His pierced feet  
Fair flow'rs of paradise extend  
Their fragrance ever sweet

Crown Him the Lord of years  
The Potentate of time  
Creator of the rolling spheres  
Ineffably sublime  
All hail Redeemer hail  
For Thou hast died for me  
Thy praise shall never never fail  
Throughout eternity

## 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](https://cityreformed.org/events).

<b>Zoom Call for Children</b> Sun 5/10 @ 12PM	Children, meet with Pastor Matt & Chrissie today! For Zoom link, contact Charis ( <a href="mailto:charis@cityreformed.org">charis@cityreformed.org</a> ).
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<p><b>Graduate Recognition</b> Sun 5/17</p> <p><i>Send by TODAY</i></p>	<p>If you are graduating or have graduated this past year (from high school, college, or an advanced degree) or you know who is, please send name, a photo and current mailing address to: <a href="mailto:sol@cityreformed.org">sol@cityreformed.org</a>.</p>
<p><b>Wednesday Morning Prayer @ 8:30AM</b> <i>tinyurl.com/CRPCpray</i></p>	<p>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>.</p>
<p><b>Adult CE: "By the Rivers of Babylon: Psalms for the Exiled"</b> Thurs 5/14 @ 8PM <i>tinyurl.com/CRPCAdultEd</i></p>	<p>Join us Online via Zoom Thursday evenings for an interactive study. We will look at different psalms each week and think about how the Book of Psalms encourages us and speaks to us today, especially in difficult times. If Zoom asks you for a password, type "CRPC". Contact Seulgi Byun (<a href="mailto:seulgi.byun@gmail.com">seulgi.byun@gmail.com</a>).</p>
<p><b>Women's Virtual Retreat: "Lessons in Contentment"</b></p>	<p>Ladies: listen to the four talks up on our website: <a href="http://cityreformed.org/seminars">cityreformed.org/seminars</a>. Participate in one of the Zoom discussion groups offered 5/14-23. Contact the Women's Council (<a href="mailto:wmc@cityreformed.org">wmc@cityreformed.org</a>).</p>
<p><b>Agora Forum</b> Mon 5/11 @ 7PM</p>	<p>We will be watching the movie <i>Amazing Grace</i>. For instructions contact Kathryn: <a href="mailto:kclaudy@gmail.com">kclaudy@gmail.com</a>.</p>
<p><b>Virtual Game Night</b> Mon 5/11 @ 6PM</p>	<p>Join on Zoom: <a href="http://tinyurl.com/Garys-Zoom">tinyurl.com/Garys-Zoom</a> Contact Gary (<a href="mailto:gatcheson@gmail.com">gatcheson@gmail.com</a>).</p>
<p><b>Summer RUF</b> Wed 5/13 @ 8PM</p>	<p>College students, recent college or HS grads, join us via Zoom Wednesday nights during the month of May. Contact Derek Bates (<a href="mailto:dbates@ruf.org">dbates@ruf.org</a>).</p>
<p><b>Caring for Each Other and the Deacon's List</b> <i>tinyurl.com/updateCRPC</i></p>	<p>Please update the deacons by filling out the survey. They are looking to account for people who have needs and people who 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.</p>
<p><b>Make Connections via Online Media</b></p>	<p>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.</p> <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>
<p><b>Pastoral Devotionals</b> <i>tinyurl.com/CRPCPastorJoseph</i></p>	<p>Join Pastor Joseph online for encouragement while we are in our homes and away from each other.</p>

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## Welcome to City Reformed Presbyterian Church

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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