



Sunday Morning Worship
June 28, 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 or visit our website: cityreformed.org.

Reflections

And the angel said to me, "Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb." And he said to me, "These are the true words of God."

- Revelation 19:9

About Us

Sunday Morning Worship Service

10:15AM [LIVESTREAM]
tinyurl.com/CRPCLive

RE-OPENS IN-PERSON 7/5/20:
Winchester Thurston School
Entrance: 5059 Ellsworth Ave.
Pittsburgh, PA 15213 (Oakland)

Church Office

3929 Coleman St.
Pittsburgh, PA 15207
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Sunday Evening Worship Service

6:00PM [CANCELED]
3929 Coleman St.
Pittsburgh, PA 15207 (Greenfield)

Donations

Online: cityreformed.org/give
Mail: to the Church Office address above
"Attn: Allison" (please make checks payable
to City Reformed Presbyterian Church)

Worship Service

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Sunday Morning Worship – June 28, 2020
Presider: Elder Jim Partridge

Call to Worship: Isaiah 45:18-19, 22-25

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

Leader For thus says the LORD, who created the heavens (he is God!), who formed the earth and made it (he established it; he did not create it empty, he formed it to be inhabited!): "I am the LORD, and there is no other.

People **I did not speak in secret, in a land of darkness; I did not say to the offspring of Jacob, 'Seek me in vain.' I the LORD speak the truth; I declare what is right...**

Leader "Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other.

People **By myself I have sworn; from my mouth has gone out in righteousness a word that shall not return: 'To me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear allegiance.'**

Leader "Only in the LORD, it shall be said of me, are righteousness and strength; to him shall come and be ashamed all who were incensed against him.

People **In the LORD all the offspring of Israel shall be justified and shall glory."**

Prayer of Invocation

Behold Our God

(Words & Music: Jonathan, Meghan, & Ryan Beird, & Stephen Altrogge 2011)

Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice
All creation rises to rejoice

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Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things?
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

*Behold our God, seated on His throne
Come, let us adore Him
Behold our King, nothing can compare
Come, let us adore Him!*

Who has felt the nails upon His hands
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal, humbled to the grave
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign!

You will reign forever! (2x)
You will reign forever! (2x)

All Things New

(Words: Horatius Bonar 1779; Music: Clint Wells 2009)

Come Lord and tarry not
Bring the long-looked-for day
O why these years of waiting here
These ages of delay?

Come for your saints still wait
Daily ascends their sigh
The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come,"
Do you not hear our cry?

*O come and make all things new
Come and make all things new
Come and make all things new
Build up this broken earth
Come and make all things new
All things new*

Come for creation groans
Impatient while you stay
Worn out in labor pains of hope
Still bound by earth's decay

Come for love waxes cold
Its steps are faint and slow
Our faith is pressed by unbelief
Hope's lamp burns dim and low

Call to Confession: Psalm 50:20-21

You sit and speak against your brother; you slander your own mother's son. These things you have done, and I have been silent; you thought that I was one like yourself. But now I rebuke you and lay the charge before you.

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we pray to you. You dwell in unapproachable light and accomplish all that you want to do. But our lives are lived in clouds of darkness. We do not understand the events happening around us. We don't even understand the desires of our own hearts and the sin that easily entangles. We confess that we are quick to sin and that our faith is weak. We trust Jesus, our savior and Lord, and look to him for our forgiveness. We also trust that you are able to work for our good in all things. This is your promise—help us to believe. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Romans 4:5-8

And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works: "Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered; blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin."

Membership Vows: Elizabeth Magaletta, Susan Williams

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).

Psalm 130 | From Depths of Woe

(Words: Martin Luther 1524; Music: Christopher Miner 1997)

From the depths of woe I raise to thee
The voice of lamentation;
Lord turn a gracious ear to me
And hear my supplication;
If thou iniquities dost mark
Our secret sins and misdeeds dark
Oh who shall stand before thee? *(echo) 2x*

To wash away the crimson stain
Grace, grace alone availeth;
Our works, alas, are all in vain;
In much the best life faileth;
No man can glory in thy sight
All must alike confess thy might
And live alone by mercy *(echo) 2x*

Therefore my trust is in the Lord,
And not in mine own merit;
On him my soul shall rest, his word
Upholds my fainting spirit;
His promised mercy is my fort,
My comfort, and my sweet support
I wait for it with patience *(echo) 2x*

What though I wait the livelong night
And 'til the dawn appeareth;
My heart still trusteth in his might;
It doubteth not nor feareth;
Do thus oh ye of Israel's seed,
Ye of the Spirit born indeed
And wait 'til God appeareth *(echo) 2x*

Though great our sins and sore our woes,
His grace much more aboundeth;
His helping love no limit knows,
Our utmost need it soundeth.

Our shepherd good and true is he,
Who will at last his Israel free
From all their sin and sorrow (*echo*) 2x

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon: Matthew 9:14-26

"New Wine" - Reverend Matt Koerber

Then the disciples of John came to him, saying, "Why do we and the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?"¹⁵And Jesus said to them, "Can the wedding guests mourn as long as the bridegroom is with them? The days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast. ¹⁶No one puts a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old garment, for the patch tears away from the garment, and a worse tear is made. ¹⁷Neither is new wine put into old wineskins. If it is, the skins burst and the wine is spilled and the skins are destroyed. But new wine is put into fresh wineskins, and so both are preserved."

¹⁸While he was saying these things to them, behold, a ruler came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹And Jesus rose and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰And behold, a woman who had suffered from a discharge of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his garment, ²¹for she said to herself, "If I only touch his garment, I will be made well." ²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. ²³And when Jesus came to the ruler's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, "Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. ²⁵But

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when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl arose. ²⁶And the report of this went through all that district.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Creedal Response: Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 36. What are the benefits that accompany or flow from justification, adoption and sanctification in this life?

A. The benefits that accompany or flow from justification, adoption and sanctification in this life are assurance of God's love, peace of conscience, joy in the Holy Ghost, increase of grace, and perseverance in it to the end.

Songs of Thanksgiving

Please stand for the final songs if you are able.

Heal Us Emmanuel

(Words: William Cowper 1779; Music: Kevin Twit, Lucas Morton 2015)

*Heal us, Emmanuel, here we are
We long to feel Thy touch
Deep wounded souls to Thee we fly
O Savior hear our cry*

Our faith is feeble, we confess
We faintly trust Thy word
But will You pity us the less?
Be that far from You Lord!

Remember him who once applied
With trembling for relief
"Lord, I believe," with tears he cried
"O help my unbelief!"

She, too, who touched you in the press
And healing virtue stole
Was answered, "Daughter, go in peace
Thy faith has made you whole."

Like her, with hopes and fears we come
To touch You if we may
O send us not despairing home
Send none unhealed away

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

Prayer

Announcements

Benediction

If you would like to contact a pastor, please email joseph@cityreformed.org.

Life Together

Additional detail can be found on: cityreformed.org/events.

<p>Rose</p>	<p>Celebrate the birth of David & Crystal Witmer's son, David, born on June 13th.</p>
<p>RESPONSE NEEDED: Green Phase Survey tinyurl.com/CRGreenSurvey DEADLINE: TUES 6/30</p>	<p>Those who never have--fill out and submit the survey! OR resubmit if you have since adjusted your position. In keeping with WT and CDC guidelines, we are capping at 50% capacity (180 seats). Please help us confirm our plans for re-opening.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">RE-OPENING NEXT SUNDAY July 5th, 2020 10:15AM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">City Reformed will meet for a socially distanced and open worship service at Winchester Thurston (5059 Ellsworth Ave., 15213).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • *** BRING YOUR MASKS *** • Arrive early (~10AM) for socially distanced entry and seating (every other row, 1 seat between household groups) • Cry Room Available (No Nursery or Children's Church) • No Fellowship or Coffee Hour 	
<p>Guidelines for Attending Sunday Service "In-Person"</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please continue all CDC recommended behavior for official gatherings. (Wash your hands, cough into your sleeve, avoid handshakes, etc.) • If you have an infectious disease, do not attend until you are fever-free for 72 hours, 10 days have passed since your symptoms first appeared, and other symptoms (cough, shortness of breath, etc) have improved. • Please continue to observe social distancing by remaining six feet apart from the nearest person who is not part of your household group. • Members who are highly vulnerable or who have had contact with infected persons should refrain from attending in-person. • Please wear a facemask during the entirety of your participation.
<p>Zoom Call for Children Sun 6/28 @ 12PM</p>	<p>Children, meet with Pastor Matt & Chrissie today! For Zoom link, contact Charis (charis@cityreformed.org).</p>
<p>Agora Forum Mon 6/29 @ 7PM tinyurl.com/CRPCAgora</p>	<p>David Snoke will be leading a discussion on views of different churches on the meaning of the Lord's Supper. Contact Kathryn (klclaudy@gmail.com).</p>

Women's Bible Study Mon 6/29 @ 7PM	"Becoming A Woman of Strength" meets every other Monday. For more info, contact Cathy (lawyerdad5@aol.com).
Wednesday Morning Prayer @ 8:30AM <i>tinyurl.com/CRPCpray</i>	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 prayer@cityreformed.org .
Work Days	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 building@cityreformed.org).
Caring for Each Other and the Deacon's List	Please update the deacons if you have needs or if you have abilities and resources to share with others. Contact Nik Melchior (nik@alum.wustl.edu) or any of the deacons.
Make Connections via Online Media	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"> • To learn more about community groups (CGs) contact Joseph (joseph@cityreformed.org) • To learn about how to connect with other women in the church (including small groups or CGs) contact Sandy (sandy@cityreformed.org) • To learn about men's discipleship programs contact Jim (partridge.je6@gmail.com).
Pastoral Devotionals <i>tinyurl.com/CRPCPastorJoseph</i>	Join Pastor Joseph online for encouragement while we are in our homes and away from each other.

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:

- cityreformed.org/community-groups

Specialty Groups meet in particular areas of interest for Bible study, fellowship, and service. For a listing of current groups, please refer to:

- cityreformed.org/prayer--specialty-groups

College Students please refer to campus ministry contacts below:

- CCO at CMU: Nameun Cho (ncho@ccojubilee.org)
- CCO at PPU: Katelyn Spallinger (kvanmeerbeke@ccojubilee.org)
- RUF at Pitt: Derek Bates (dbates@ruf.org), Callie Miller (callie.miller@ruf.org)
- cityreformed.org/collegestudents

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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.

Visitor's Card

We would love to get to know you. Please contact us at 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.
