



Sunday Communion Worship
July 3, 2022

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

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God."

– Jesus (Matthew 5:9)

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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Communion Worship Service

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Presider: Reverend Joseph Bianco

Call to Worship: 2 Corinthians 5:16-20a

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

Leader From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh.

People **Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer.**

Leader Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.

People **The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.**

Leader All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

People **Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us.**

Prayer of Invocation

Amazing Grace

(Words & Music: Edwin Othello Excell and John Newton 1779)

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound!
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
Was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear.
And grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!

The Lord has promised good to me.
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be,
As long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils, and snare.
I have already come.
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright, shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun.,

Psalm 90 | O God Our Help in Ages Past

(Words: Isaac Watts 1719 Music: William Croft & Tommy Walker 1998)

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home.

Under the shadow of Thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defense is sure.

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*O God You are
You are our help You are our helper
To all generations You will be
Forever and ever
Our Shield and our Eternal Hope
O Lord You are the Ancient of Days
And worthy of our praise*

Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home.

Saved My Soul

(Words & Music: Dustin R. Smith, James Ferguson, & Rich Thompson 2016)

*You my God have saved my soul
I am Yours forevermore
I won't be moved of this I'm sure
You are my God and You saved my soul*

I was lost when You came for me
Held in chains by the enemy
But You broke them in victory
Now I'm free I am free

You're my joy and You are my hope
I am saved by Your grace alone
I will sing of Your love for me
I am free I am free

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Now I stand with the King of Kings
He has paid for my every sin
And from now through eternity
I am free I am free

What once was dead is now alive
You gave to me the breath of life
You brought me up out from the grave
I'm bursting out with songs of praise

Call to Confession: 2 Corinthians 5:20b

We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God

Prayer of Confession:

Father, forgive us for resenting not being in charge. Forgive us for our anger at people and things that prevent us from doing what we want. Forgive us for being like children who hate to be told "No." Forgive us for judging others and yet being touchy about being judged. Father, give us rest in our souls. Let us rest in your grace, your providence, and your wisdom. Let us rest in being your sheep, your children, your friends. Let us not stray from your Gospel which is sufficient for us every day. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: 2 Corinthians 5:2

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Missions Update: Jeff and Val Jones

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).

Arise My Soul Arise

Words: Charles Wesley 1742 Music: Kevin Twit 1996)

Arise my soul, arise,
Shake off your guilty fears;
The bleeding sacrifice
On my behalf appears.
Before the throne my surety stands,
Before the throne my surety stands,
My name is written on his hands.

He ever lives above,
For me to intercede.
His all redeeming love,
His precious blood to plead.
His blood atoned for every race,
His blood atoned for every race,
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

Arise Echo: Arise
Arise Echo: Arise
Arise All: Arise my soul, arise
Shake off your guilty fears and rise.

Five bleeding wounds he bears,
Received on Calvary.
They pour effectual prayers,
They strongly plead for me.
Forgive him, O forgive they cry.
Forgive him, O forgive they cry,
Don't let that ransomed sinner die.

My God is reconciled,
His pardoning voice I hear;
He owns me for his child,
I can no longer fear;

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With confidence I now draw nigh,
With confidence I now draw nigh,
And "Father, Abba, Father!" cry.

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 after the sermon from Children's Church.

Sermon: Matthew 18:12-35

"Reconciliation: The Heart of the Matter"

- Reverend Matt Koerber

What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? ¹³And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. ¹⁴So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

¹⁵"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. ¹⁶But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them."

²¹Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will

my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?” ²²Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times.

²³“Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. ²⁵And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ ²⁷And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, ‘Pay what you owe.’ ²⁹So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ ³⁰He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. ³¹When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. ³²Then his master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’ ³⁴And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. ³⁵So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God**

Additional Scripture

Matthew 5:23-24/ So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.

Romans 12:18 / If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all

Galatians 6:1-2 / Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

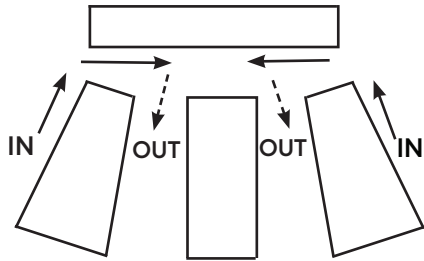
Ephesians 4:32 / Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

Communion

City Reformed Church invites all baptized Christians who are willing to forsake their sins and trust Christ alone for salvation, and who are members of congregations which proclaim the gospel, to receive Holy Communion with us. Parents with non-communing children are encouraged to bring their children forward during communion. The elders will lay a hand on their head and briefly pray for them as they serve you.

Communion is served with wine and with grape juice. The wine is placed in the two outer circles of the communion tray, and the grape juice is placed in the inner circle. Because Jesus used wine during the first communion service, we believe using real wine is beneficial. However, participants are welcome to choose.

There is also gluten-free bread available on each plate.



Please join us in song as we celebrate Christ dwelling with his church in the sacrament of communion.

Songs of Communion

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

(Words: John Newton 1774 Music: Laura Taylor 2001)

Let us love and sing and wonder,
Let us praise the Savior's name,
He has hushed the law's loud thunder,
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame,
He has washed us with his blood (3x),
He has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord who bought us,
Pitied us when enemies.
Called us by his grace and taught us
Gave us ears and gave us eyes.
He has washed us with his blood (3x),
He presents our souls to God.

Let us sing though fierce temptations
Threaten hard to bear us down.
For the Lord our strong salvation
Holds in view the conqueror's crown
He who washed us with his blood (3x),
Soon will bring us home to God.

Let us wonder grace and justice
Join and point to mercy's store.
When through grace in Christ our trust is
Justice smiles and asks no more.
He who washed us with his blood (3x),
Has secured our way to God.

Let us praise and join the chorus
Of the saints enthroned on high.
Here they trusted him before us
Now their praises fill the sky.
You have washed us with your blood (3x),
You are worthy, Lamb of God you

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

I Love You Lord

(Words & Music: Laurie Klein 1978)

I love you, Lord
And I lift my voice
To worship you,
O my soul rejoice!
Take joy, my King,
In what you hear,
May it be a sweet,
Sweet sound in your ear

Doxology

(Words: Thomas Ken 1674 Music: Louis Bourgeois 1510)

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
(repeat)
Amen

Prayer

Announcements

Benediction

Tonight's Worship Service: Elder Dave Snoke will be preaching 1 Corinthians 7:1-16, 36-40 "Grill the Preacher" immediately following.

Upcoming Events

www.cityreformed.org/events

<p>Men's Camping Trip July 8-9 Five Points Camp Ground Moraine State Park</p>	<p>City Men of all ages and stages! Come away for a night and a day of R and R together! Group tent camping with basic services (water, charcoal grills, bathroom) in a beautiful space with biking, boating or other outdoor activities nearby. We will provide a campfire with S'mores on Friday and spiritual food (devotions) but the rest is up to you! Arrive any time after 6 pm on 7/8, we will conclude late afternoon on 7/9. A nearby cabin has been reserved with just a few spots for those who are unable to tent camp. Need further info? Contact Adam at ahs27@pitt.edu.</p>
<p>Directory Updates</p>	<p>We transitioned from Adjace to a Planning Center directory. if you have not created an account on the new directory, please do so. Email Zachary@cityreformed.org for more information.</p>

Volunteer Needs

<p>Crates for Ukraine</p>	<p>Our congregation is partnering with MTW's efforts to provide humanitarian aid to Ukrainians. We will be collecting supplies for at least six crates of aid supplies. We are looking for help in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - donating supplies for crates (drop off at the Greenfield building on July 3,10,17) - donating airline miles - volunteering to take a crate to Poland <p>A full list of needed supplies is available in the lobby and is attached to the weekly email. Contact Debbie Schwab with questions (asunlithurricane@gmail.com)</p>
<p>VBS volunteers!</p>	<p>Please consider joining our VBS volunteer team this summer! We need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5+ adults to serve in the Nursery during VBS and to be Group helpers who travel with Crews (no advance prep needed!) 8 youth (rising 6th grade and older) to lead Crews of VBS attendees <p>Contact Debbie Bacon (vbs@cityreformed.org) or register on Church Center to help meet this need!</p>

Regular Events

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<p>Wednesday Prayer Meetings 8:30-9:30 AM</p>	<p>Join our staff as they pray for our church. Wednesday weekly prayer is held on Zoom at: https://tinyurl.com/crpcwednesdayprayer</p>
<p>Global Mission Prayer Mondays @9PM</p>	<p>We will be taking a week off from our usual prayer rotation. Please join us on July 11th to pray for Andrew and Amy.</p>
<p>Summer RUF! Every Wed, beginning June 1st 3334 Dawson Street</p>	<p>Dinner at 6pm, Study at 7. All college students, recent HS grads, and recent college grads welcome. Questions? callie.miller@ruf.org</p>
<p>Grace and Truth for Moms Summer Study Every other Tues night from 6/14-8/9 from 7:30-9pm Greenfield Chapel: 3929 Coleman Street</p>	<p>We want you to get to the root of difficult emotions and interactions in parenting, so you can be set free by the grace and truth God has for you. Join us this summer for a study co-lead by Amanda Moore and Rachael Leuenberger at the Greenfield Building. There is a \$10 cost which gives you lifetime access to the course videos and handouts. Please sign up using this link: tinyurl.com/CRPCSummerstudy22</p>
<p>Young Adult Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>Every other Wednesday night, beginning on 6/8, from 7-8:30pm at Katelyn Spallinger's Home (1815 Sarah Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15203). Join us for an 8 session summer study of Proverbs! Contact Katelyn (katelyn@cityreformed.org).</p>

Groups

<p>College Students please refer to campus ministry contacts below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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
<p>Specialty Groups meet in particular areas of interest for Bible study, fellowship, learning, and service.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Agora Forum- Alex Main (amain8511@gmail.com)</i> • <i>Men's New Hope (Joseph@cityreformed.org)</i> • <i>Mommies' Group (Sandy@cityreformed.org)</i> • <i>Wednesday Morning Prayer (Zachary@cityreformed.org)</i> • <i>Men's Discipleship Committee (mdc@cityreformed.org)</i> • <i>Young Adult Women's Fellowship (Katelyn@cityreformed.org)</i> • <i>Informal frisbee (danielrtoney@gmail.com)</i> • <i>Board Game Gatherings (gatheson@gmail.com)</i>

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

West Hills*- Jonathan Dodd

Wednesday

Near East Suburban- Jim Partridge

Regent Square- David Snoke

Baldwin/Greenfield*- Joseph Bianco

East Suburban- Joe Stehle

Thursday

Shadyside - Ben Chidester

Forest Hills*- Adam Schwab

*Childcare provided

** Kid's play area available

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