



*Sunday Evening Service*  
*July 29, 2018*

## Welcome to City Reformed on Sunday Evenings

We expect that many people who are with us may not be familiar with Christianity or the way our worship service is structured. Please feel free to stick around after the service and ask questions about who we are and what we do. This Sunday evening service is part of City Reformed Presbyterian Church, which also meets on Sunday mornings in Oakland.

### ***City Reformed Worship Schedule:***

May - August: Oakland location: (*Lord's Supper on the 1st Sunday of the Month*)

10:15 AM Worship Service (Children's Church for kids 4-7)

11:45 AM Food & fellowship

September - April: Oakland location: (*Lord's Supper on the 1st Sunday of the Month*)

9:15 AM Worship Service

9:45 AM Christian Education (all ages)

10:45 AM Coffee & Fellowship

11:15 AM Worship Service (Children's Church for kids 4-7)

12:45 PM Food & Fellowship

All year: Squirrel Hill location: (*Lord's Supper on the 3rd Sunday of the Month*)

6:30 PM Worship Service

8:00 PM "Grill the Preacher" Q&A, food and fellowship

### ***What kind of Church is City Reformed?***

- 1) We have a very high view of the Bible ("inerrancy"). We believe that it is God's good Word to us, and it applies to all of life.
- 2) We are "Gospel-centered"—we preach the good news of grace through Jesus to all people, no matter how deep their problems. The Gospel compels us to engage the city around us, it calls us to renew our minds, it draws us together to be the family of God, and it directs our worship to the living God.
- 3) We are linked to the historic Protestant church ("evangelical") & to other Christians throughout the world.
- 4) We are a part of a denomination called the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA). The term "presbyterian" means that we believe in shared leadership in the church & checks and balances on our leaders.

For more information visit [www.cityreformed.org](http://www.cityreformed.org).

### ***How do I connect?***

We would love to get to know you! Please join us for a time of fellowship and refreshments after the worship service. If you would like to contact a pastor please send us an email: [joseph@cityreformed.org](mailto:joseph@cityreformed.org). The best way to meet other members of our congregation is to visit one of our community groups (listed on page 8.) The groups are always open for visitors, and brand new groups form throughout the year.

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Hear my prayer, O LORD;  
let my cry come to you!  
Do not hide your face from me  
in the day of my distress!  
Incline your ear to me;  
answer me speedily in the day when I call!

- Psalm 102:1-2

# Worship Service

**Presider: Elder James Miller**

*Please stand for the call to worship if you are able.*

**Call to Worship: Psalm 32:6-11**

Leader: Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found; surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.

**People: You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**

Leader: I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

**People: Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding, which must be curbed with bit and bridle, or it will not stay near you.**

Leader: Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

**People: Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!**

***Prayer of Invocation***

O LOVE THAT WILL NOT LET ME GO

O Love that will not let me go,  
I rest my weary soul in thee;  
I give thee back the life I owe,  
That in thine ocean depths its flow  
May richer, fuller be.

O light that followest all my way,  
I yield my flickering torch to thee;  
My heart restores its borrowed ray,  
That in thy sunshine's blaze its day  
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain,  
I cannot close my heart to thee;  
I trace the rainbow through the rain,  
And feel the promise is not vain,  
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,  
I dare not ask to fly from thee;  
I lay in dust life's glory dead,  
And from the ground there blossoms red  
Life that shall endless be.

***Scripture Reading: Psalm 51:10-12***

## SATISFIED

All my life long I had panted  
For a drink from some clear spring,  
That I hoped would quench the burning  
Of the thirst I felt within.

### *Chorus*

*Hallelujah! He has found me.  
The one my soul so long has craved!  
Jesus satisfies all my longings,  
Through His blood I now am saved.*

Feeding on the filth around me,  
Till my strength was almost gone,  
Longed my soul for something better,  
Only still to hunger on.

### *Chorus*

Poor I was, and sought for riches,  
Something that would satisfy,  
But the dust I gathered round me  
Only mocked my soul's sad cry.

### *Chorus*

Well of water, ever springing,  
Bread of life so rich and free,  
Untold wealth that never faileth,  
My Redeemer is to me.

### *Chorus (2x)*

## ***Call to Confession: Psalm 143:1-2***

Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy! In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness! Enter not into judgment with your servant, for no one living is righteous before you.

## ***Prayer of Confession: Psalm 38:1-8***

**O LORD, rebuke me not in your anger, nor discipline me in your wrath! For your arrows have sunk into me, and your hand has come down on me. There is no soundness in my flesh because of your indignation; there is no health in my bones because of my sin. For my iniquities have gone over my head; like a heavy burden, they are too heavy for me. My wounds stink and fester because of my foolishness, I am utterly bowed down and prostrate; all the day I go about mourning. For my sides are filled with burning, and there is no soundness in my flesh. I am feeble and crushed; I groan because of the tumult of my heart.**

## ***Silent Confession***

## ***Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 130:7-8***

O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

## *Song of Renewal*

PSALM 77:1-3

I cry aloud to God  
And he will hear my call.  
When troubles surround  
I seek the Lord

My soul will not rest,  
I seek God and moan;  
And when I meditate  
My spirit faints.

*(Congregants can sing both parts simultaneously)*

## *Corporate & Pastoral Prayer*

### *Additional Scripture*

Matthew 7:21-23 “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day many will say to me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?’ And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.’”

Luke 13:22-30 He went on his way through towns and villages, teaching and journeying toward Jerusalem. And someone said to him, “Lord, will those who are saved be few?” And he said to them, “Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able. When once the master of the house has risen and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, ‘Lord, open to us,’ then he will answer you, ‘I do not know where you come from.’ Then you will begin to say, ‘We ate and drank in your presence, and you taught in our streets.’ But he will say, ‘I tell you, I do not know where you come from. Depart from me, all you workers of evil!’ In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God but you yourselves cast out. And people will come from east and west, and from north

and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God. And behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last.”

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John 12:27-36 “Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven: “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. So the crowd answered him, “We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?” So Jesus said to them, “The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light.” When Jesus had said these things, he departed and hid himself from them.

## ***Sermon***

### **Psalm 6**

TO THE CHOIRMASTER: WITH STRINGED INSTRUMENTS; ACCORDING TO THE SHEMINITH. A PSALM OF DAVID.

- <sup>1</sup>O LORD, rebuke me not in your anger,  
nor discipline me in your wrath.
- <sup>2</sup>Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am languishing;  
heal me, O LORD, for my bones are troubled.
- <sup>3</sup>My soul also is greatly troubled.  
But you, O LORD—how long?
- <sup>4</sup>Turn, O LORD, deliver my life;  
save me for the sake of your steadfast love.
- <sup>5</sup>For in death there is no remembrance of you;  
in Sheol who will give you praise?
- <sup>6</sup>I am weary with my moaning;  
every night I flood my bed with tears;  
I drench my couch with my weeping.
- <sup>7</sup>My eye wastes away because of grief;  
it grows weak because of all my foes.
- <sup>8</sup>Depart from me, all you workers of evil,  
for the LORD has heard the sound of my weeping.
- <sup>9</sup>The LORD has heard my plea;  
the LORD accepts my prayer.
- <sup>10</sup>All my enemies shall be ashamed and greatly troubled;  
they shall turn back and be put to shame in a moment.

“O LORD, Deliver My Life”  
- Reverend John McCombs

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

## ***Song of Thanksgiving***

### GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
There is no shadow of turning with thee;  
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;  
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

#### *Chorus*

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!*  
*Morning by morning new mercies I see:*  
*All I have needed thy hand hath provided.*  
*Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

#### ***Prayer***

#### ***Announcements***

#### ***Benediction***