



Sunday Evening Service
September 30, 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:

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

9:00 AM Christian Education (all ages)

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

11:45 AM Food & fellowship

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.

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. 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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[The religious believers of Jesus' day] were looking for a builder to construct the home they thought they wanted, but he was the architect, coming with a new plan that would give them everything they needed, but within quite a new framework. They were looking for a singer to sing the song they had been humming for a long time, but he was the composer, bringing them a new song to which the old songs they knew would form, at best, the background music. He was the king, all right, but he had come to redefine kingship itself around his own work, his own mission, his own fate.

- N.T. Wright

Worship Service

Presider: Reverend Matt Koerber

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

Call to Worship

Leader: O God, you summon the day to dawn,
you teach the morning to waken the
earth.

**People: For you the valleys shall sing for joy, the
trees of the field shall clap their hands.**

Leader: For you the kings of the earth shall bow,
the poor and the persecuted shall shout
for joy.

**People: Your love and mercy shall last forever,
fresh as the morning, sure as the
sunrise.**

Leader: Great is your name!

People: Great is your love! Amen.

Prayer of Invocation

ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS NAME

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

Scripture Reading: Psalm 8:1-4

HOPE OF THE POOR - PSALM 9

The Lord is a home for all the oppressed
In times of trouble and need.
To all who will come and trust in His name,
A refuge and strength He will be.

Chorus

*The needy will not be forsaken,
and the hope of the poor will not die;
For God who is mighty in judgment
Does not forget their cry!*

Arise, O my Lord and answer my call;
My heart cries out to be heard!
I've no other hope than your gracious love;
I trust and cling to your word.

The Lord has heard our cry!
The Lord has heard our cry!
The Lord has not forsaken us;
The Lord has heard our cry!

So sing out to God who sits on the throne,
Proclaim his marvelous ways!
Our rescue has come! For all he has done,
We offer our lives in praise!

Call to Confession: Psalm 40:1-2,4

I waited patiently for the LORD; he inclined to me
and heard my cry. He drew me up from the pit of
destruction, out of the miry bog, and set my feet
upon a rock, making my steps secure... Blessed is
the man who makes the LORD his trust, who does
not turn to the proud, to those who go astray
after a lie!

Prayer of Confession:

**Our Father, forgive us for thinking small
thoughts of you and for ignoring your
immensity and greatness. Lord Jesus, forgive
us when we forget that you rule the nations
and our lives. Holy Spirit, we offend you in
minimizing your power and squandering your
gifts. We confess that our blindness to your
glory, O triune God, has resulted in shallow
confession, tepid conviction, and only mild
repentance. Have mercy upon us, and may we
find you close by, ready to receive us in your
grace. In Jesus' name. Amen.**

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Romans 5:1,8; Colossians 1:13-14

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus
Christ... God shows his love for us in that while
we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

He has delivered us from the domain of
darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of
his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption,
the forgiveness of sins.

Song of Renewal

O PRAISE THE NAME (ANÁSTASIS)

I cast my mind to Calvary
Where Jesus bled and died for me
I see His wounds His hands His feet
My Saviour on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb
The entrance sealed by heavy stone
Messiah still and all alone

Chorus

*O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your
praise
Oh Lord oh Lord our God*

Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of heaven rose again
O trampled death where is your sting
The angels roar for Christ the King
Chorus

He shall return in robes of white
The blazing sun shall pierce the night
And I will rise among the saints
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face
Chorus

Corporate & Pastoral Prayer

Additional Scripture

Genesis 22:15-18 And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven and said, "By myself I have sworn, declares the Lord, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice."

Leviticus 26:11-13 I will make my dwelling among you, and my soul shall not abhor you. And I will walk among you and will be your God, and you shall be my people. I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that you should not be their slaves. And I have broken the bars of your yoke and made you walk erect.

Deuteronomy 28:9-10 The LORD will establish you as a people holy to himself, as he has sworn to you, if you keep the commandments of the LORD your God and walk in his ways. And all the peoples of the earth shall see that you are called by the name of the LORD, and they shall be afraid of you.

1 Kings 8:10-11 And when the priests came out of the Holy Place, a cloud filled the house of the LORD, so that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud, for the glory of the LORD filled the house of the LORD.

Isaiah 11:1-5 There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear, but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins.

Zechariah 9:10 I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

Sermon

Psalm 72

OF SOLOMON.

- ¹God Give the king your justice, O God,
and your righteousness to the royal son!
²May he judge your people with righteousness,
and your poor with justice!
³Let the mountains bear prosperity for the people,
and the hills, in righteousness!
⁴May he defend the cause of the poor of the
people,
give deliverance to the children of the needy,
and crush the oppressor!
⁵May they fear you while the sun endures,
and as long as the moon, throughout all
generations!
⁶May he be like rain that falls on the mown grass,
like showers that water the earth!
⁷In his days may the righteous flourish,
and peace abound, till the moon be no more!
⁸May he have dominion from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth!
⁹May desert tribes bow down before him,
and his enemies lick the dust!
¹⁰May the kings of Tarshish and of the coastlands
render him tribute;
may the kings of Sheba and Seba
bring gifts!
¹¹May all kings fall down before him,
all nations serve him!
- ¹²For he delivers the needy when he calls,
the poor and him who has no helper.
¹³He has pity on the weak and the needy,
and saves the lives of the needy.
¹⁴From oppression and violence he redeems their
life,
and precious is their blood in his sight.
¹⁵Long may he live;
may gold of Sheba be given to him!
May prayer be made for him continually,
and blessings invoked for him all the day!
¹⁶May there be abundance of grain in the land;
on the tops of the mountains may it wave;
may its fruit be like Lebanon;
and may people blossom in the cities
like the grass of the field!
¹⁷May his name endure forever,
his fame continue as long as the sun!
May people be blessed in him,
all nations call him blessed!
¹⁸Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel,
who alone does wondrous things.
¹⁹Blessed be his glorious name forever;
may the whole earth be filled with his glory!
Amen and Amen!
²⁰The prayers of David, the son of Jesse, are ended.

“The King of Kings”
- Dave Nameun Cho

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Songs of Thanksgiving

HAIL TO THE LORD'S ANOINTED - PSALM 72

Chorus

Hail to the Lord's anointed, great David's greater Son!

Hail in the time appointed, His reign on earth begun!

He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free;
To take away transgression, and rule in equity.

He comes in comfort speedy to those who suffer wrong;
To help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong.

To give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light,
Whose souls, condemned and dying, are precious in His sight.

He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth;
Love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in His path to birth.

The tide of time shall never His covenant remove;
His Name shall stand forever, that Name to us is Love.

Prayer

Announcements

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