

Sunday Morning Worship February 10, 2019

### Welcome to City Reformed Presbyterian Church

We are glad to have you join us for worship today. Please stop by the Welcome Table in the foyer - we would love to meet you! If you would like more information, please fill out one of the info cards on the table, refer to our print newsletter, *City This Month*, or visit our website: **cityreformed.org**.

### Reflections

For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. 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.

- The Aposlte Paul (Letter to the Galatian Church, chapter 5)

Please speak to an usher or greeter if you have any questions about the nursery and children's programs.

- There is a nursery for children infant 3 during the service.
- A Cry Room is available during the service off the foyer.
- · Children's bulletins are available at the side table for those staying in service.
- During the service, children 4 7 are invited to continue their worship at Children's Church.

# Worship Service

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### Call to Worship: Psalm 96:1-4, 9-13

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

Leader	Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth!
People	Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.
Leader	Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!
People	For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods
Leader	Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth!
People	Say among the nations, "The Lord reigns!"
Leader	"Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity."
People	Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it!
Leader	Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy before the LORD, for he comes, for he comes to judge the earth.
People	He will judge the world in righteousness, and the peoples in his faithfulness.

### Prayer of Invocation

#### 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

### Scripture Reading: Psalm 106:4-12

#### No Longer Slaves

(Words & Music: Jonathan David Helser & Melissa Helser 2014)

You unravel me with a melody You surround me with a song Of deliverance from my enemies Till all my fears are gone I'm no longer a slave to fear I am a child of God I'm no longer a slave to fear I am a child of God

From my Mother's womb You have chosen me Love has called my name I've been born again into Your family Your blood flows through my veins

You split the sea so I could walk right through it My fears were drowned in perfect love You rescued me so I could stand and sing I am a child of God

#### **On Jordan's Stormy Banks**

(Words: Samuel Stennett 1787; Music: Christopher Miner 1997)

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand, And cast a wishful eye To Canaan's fair and happy land, Where my possessions lie.

All o'er those wide extended plains, Shines one eternal day; There God the Son forever reigns, And scatters night away.

> I am bound (I am bound) I am bound (I am bound) I am bound for the promised land!

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath Can reach that healthful shore; Sickness, sorrow, pain and death, Are felt and feared no more.

When shall I reach that happy place, And be forever blessed? When shall I see my Father's face, And in His bosom rest?

## Call to Confession: Hebrews 4:12-13

For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

### Prayer of Confession: The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever, Amen.

# Silent Confession

### Assurance of Pardon: Hebrews 4:14-16

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

# Installation of Kimberly Girard as a Women's Ministry Council Member

#### Questions to the Women's Ministry Council Member:

- 1. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice?
- 2. Are you fully acquainted with the purpose of the ministry to which you have been elected?
- 3. Do you promise to faithfully perform all the duties of this ministry, as unto the Lord?
- 4. Will you support the other council members, the goals and the activities of our Women's Ministry with your presence, your prayers, and your physical and mental energies?

#### Questions to the Congregation:

- 1. Do you gratefully acknowledge the willingness of these women to serve you and City Reformed Presbyterian Church in their elected capacities?
- 2. Will you support these members of the Women's Ministry Council with your cooperation, encouraging words, and prayers?

### **Corporate Prayer**

# Song of Renewal

During this song we will pass offering bags through the congregation. We ask that our members and regular attendees thoughtfully consider their contribution as an act of worship - a response to God's grace in our lives. Those who are not a regular part of our church are not expected to participate in the offering.

#### Before The Throne Of God Above

(Words: Charitie Lees Bancroft; Music: Vikki Cook 1997)

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong, a perfect plea, A great High Priest whose name is Love, Who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is graven on His hands, My name is written on His heart: I know that while in Heav'n He stands No tongue can bid me thence depart, No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, And tells me of the guilt within, Upward I look and see Him there Who made an end to all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died, My sinful soul is counted free; For God the Just is satisfied To look on Him and pardon me, To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there! The risen Lamb, My perfect, spotless righteousness; The great unchangeable I AM, The King of glory and of grace! One with Himself, I cannot die, My soul is purchased with His blood; My life is hid with Christ on high, With Christ, my Savior and my God, With Christ, my Savior and my God.

### **Pastoral Prayer**

At this time, children ages 4-7 are invited to continue their worship at Children's Church. The leaders will bring the children to children's church and then back to the worship service after the sermon.

#### Sermon: James 4:1-12

Wisdom for Life from the Book of James "Judging: Humility and a Community of Grace"

- Reverend Matt Koerber

<sup>1</sup>What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? <sup>2</sup>You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. <sup>3</sup>You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. <sup>4</sup>You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. <sup>5</sup>Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, "He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us"? <sup>6</sup>But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." <sup>7</sup>Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup>Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. <sup>9</sup>Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom.

H umble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you. <sup>11</sup>Do not speak evil against one another, brothers. The one who speaks against a brother or judges his brother, speaks evil against the law and judges the law. But if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge. <sup>12</sup>There is only one lawgiver and judge, he who is able to save and to destroy. But who are you to judge your neighbor?

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

# Additional Scripture

Matthew 7:1-5 / "Judge not, that you be not judged. For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and with the measure you use it will be measured to you. Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? Or how can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when there is the log in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye."

Matthew 18:15-17 / "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. But 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. If 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."

Acts 17:30-31 / "The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

1 Corinthians 5:11-13 / But now I am writing to you not to associate with anyone who bears the name of brother if he is guilty of sexual immorality or greed, or is an idolater, reviler, drunkard, or swindler-- not even to eat with such a one. For what have I to do with judging outsiders? Is it not those inside the church whom you are to judge? God judges those outside. "Purge the evil person from among you."

James 2:3-4, 12-13 / And if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, "You sit here in a good place," while you say to the poor man, "You stand over there," or, "Sit down at my feet," have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? ....So speak and so act as those who are to be judged under the law of liberty. For judgment is without mercy to one who has shown no mercy. Mercy triumphs over judgment.

### Creedal Response: Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. § The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,\* the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

§ Christ suffered God's wrath on the cross

\* Universal church

# Songs of Thanksgiving

Please stand for the final songs if you are able.

Psalm 25 (Words & Music: Joe Day 2000)

Good and upright Are you Lord You teach us sinners In your ways *Repeat* 

You guide the humble In what is right And instruct them In your ways *Repeat* 

All your ways are Loving, faithful, Lord To those who Seek your face *Repeat*  You give grace to The humble hearted And instruct them In your ways *Repeat* 

You guide the humble In what is right And instruct them In your ways *Repeat* 

#### Joyful Joyful We Adore You

(Words: Henry van Dyke 1907; Melody: Ludwig van Beethoven 1824; Music and Lyrics: Adapted by Daniel Snoke 2018)

Joyful joyful we adore You God of glory Lord of love Hearts unfold like flow'rs before You Op'ning to the sun above Melt the clouds of sin and sadness Drive the dark of doubt away Giver of immortal gladness Fill us with the light of day

All Your works with joy surround You Earth and heav'n reflect Your rays Stars and angels sing around You Center of unbroken praise Field and forest vale and mountain Flow'ry meadow flashing sea Chanting bird and flowing fountain Praising You eternally

You are giving and forgiving Ever blessing ever blest Well-spring of the joy of living Ocean-depth of happy rest Loving Father, Christ our Brother May Your Spirit in us shine Teach us how to love each other Lift us to Your joy divine Mortals join the mighty chorus With the morning stars begin God's own love is reigning o'er us Humble love binds all in Him Christ we echo ever singing Victors in the midst of strife Joyful music we are bringing In the triumph song of life

Prayer

### Announcements

At the beginning of announcements parents are dismissed to pick up their children from nursery.

# Benediction

Tonight's Evening Service: David Snoke will preach "Ecclesiastes and Peter: Vanity versus Weightiness" on 1 Peter 1:22-25.

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All scripture verses are the English Standard Version (ESV), unless otherwise noted.