

### Welcome to City Reformed Presbyterian Church

We are glad to have you join us for worship today. Please feel free to stick around after the service and ask questions about who we are and what we do! If you would like more information, please refer to our print newsletter, *City This Month*, or visit our website: **cityreformed.org**.

#### Reflections

You're gonna need a bigger boat.

-Sheriff Brody, Jaws

#### **About Us**

**Sunday Morning Worship Service** 

10:15AM Twentieth Century Club 4201 Bigelow Blvd. Pittsburgh, PA 15213 (Oakland)

Sunday Evening Worship Service

6:30PM 3929 Coleman St. Pittsburgh, PA 15207 (Greenfield) Church Office (Open Tues - Fri)

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# Worship Service

City Reformed Presbyterian Church Sunday Evening Worship – August 11, 2019

Presider: Reverend Matt Koerber

#### Call to Worship: Psalm 135:1-7

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

Leader Praise the LORD! Praise the name of the LORD, give praise, O servants of the LORD, who stand in the house of the LORD, in the courts of the house of our God!

People Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good; sing to his name, for it is pleasant!

Leader For the LORD has chosen Jacob for himself, Israel as his own possession.

People For I know that the LORD is great, and that our Lord is above all gods.

Leader Whatever the LORD pleases, he does, in heaven and on earth, in the seas and all deeps.

People He it is who makes the clouds rise at the end of the earth, who makes lightnings for the rain and brings forth the wind from his storehouses.

### Prayer of Invocation

#### Isaiah 43

(Words & Music: Unknown)

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you,
And the waves will not overcome you.
Do not fear,
For I have redeemed you.
I have called you by name;
You are mine.

For I am the Lord, your God (echo)
I am the Lord, your God
I Am The Holy One of Israel, your Savior.
Repeat

I am the Lord (Do not fear)

When you walk through the fire, You'll not be burned, And the flames will not consume you. Do not fear, For I have redeemed you. I have called you by name; You are mine.

### Scripture Reading: Mark 4:35-41

#### I Want to Know You

(Words & Music: James Proctor, Jonny Robinson, Michael Farren, & Rich Thompson 2016)

I've tried in vain a thousand ways My fears to quell my hopes to raise But what I need your word has said Is ever only Jesus

You died you live you reign you plead There's love in all your words and deeds This weary heart finds all it needs In ever only Jesus

I want to know you Jesus my Lord King of the Heavens king of my soul I trade my treasure and all my rewards Jesus to know you then know you more

Though some should curse me for your name I have no fear I have no shame You stand with me for all my days My ever only Jesus

Like wave after wave on the ocean Like all of the sand on the shore Your beauty and glory are endless O Jesus I must know you more

#### Call to Confession: Acts 3:17-20a

And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord...

### Prayer of Confession:

Almighty God, you are rich in mercy to all those who call upon you. Hear us as we come to you humbly confessing our sins and wrongdoings, and asking for your mercy and forgiveness. We have broken your holy laws by our actions and by our words, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We confess to you our disobedience and ingratitude, our pride and strong wills, all of our failures and shortcomings toward you and toward our neighbor. Have mercy on us, most merciful Father, and out of your great goodness grant us the ability and desire to serve you in faithfulness, in the strength of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### **Silent Confession**

#### Assurance of Pardon: Romans 6:1-4

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

# Song of Renewal

Psalm 51:10-12 | Create in Me

(Words & Music: Keith Green 1984)

Create in me a clean heart, oh God, And renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from thy presence, oh Lord. Take not thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation. And renew a right spirit within me

# Corporate & Pastoral Prayer

Sermon: Jonah 1:4-16

"Jonah's Storm" - Reverend John McCombs

But the Lord hurled a great wind upon the sea, and there was a mighty tempest on the sea, so that the ship threatened to break up. <sup>5</sup>Then the mariners were afraid, and each cried out to his god. And they hurled the cargo that was in the ship into the sea to lighten it for them. But Jonah had gone down into the inner part of the ship and had lain down and was fast asleep. <sup>6</sup>So the captain came and said to him, "What do you mean, you sleeper? Arise, call out to your god! Perhaps the god will give a thought to us, that we may not perish."

<sup>7</sup>And they said to one another, "Come, let us cast lots, that we may know on whose account this evil has come upon us." So they cast lots, and the lot fell on Jonah. <sup>8</sup>Then they said to him, "Tell us on whose account this evil has come upon us. What is your occupation? And where do you come from? What is your country? And of what people are you?" <sup>9</sup>And he said to them, "I am a Hebrew, and I fear the LORD, the God of heaven, who made the sea and the dry land." <sup>10</sup>Then the men were exceedingly afraid and said to him, "What is this that you have done!" For the men knew that he was fleeing from the presence of the LORD, because he had told them.

<sup>11</sup>Then they said to him, "What shall we do to you, that the sea may quiet down for us?" For the sea grew more and more tempestuous. <sup>12</sup>He said to them, "Pick me up and hurl me into the sea; then the sea will quiet down for you, for I know it is because of me that this great tempest has come upon you." <sup>13</sup>Nevertheless, the men rowed hard to get back to dry land, but they could not, for the sea grew more and more

tempestuous against them. <sup>14</sup>Therefore they called out to the LORD, "O LORD, let us not perish for this man's life, and lay not on us innocent blood, for you, O LORD, have done as it pleased you." <sup>15</sup>So they picked up Jonah and hurled him into the sea, and the sea ceased from its raging. <sup>16</sup>Then the men feared the LORD exceedingly, and they offered a sacrifice to the LORD and made vows.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

# Song of Thanksgiving

#### Oh Give Thanks to the Lord

(Words & Music: Wendell Kimbrough 2014)

We were wand'ring in the desert with our souls so starved and weak. We were hungry for a homeland we did not know how to seek. But we lifted up our voices to the only One who hears; And the God of mercy came and brought us near.

We were locked out of the garden, and our backs bent down with pain. In the shadow of death's darkness, we were slaves to sin and blame. Then we cried out in our labor to the only One who hears, And the God of mercy wiped away our tears.

Oh give thanks to the LORD for His love endures forever! We were wandering and lost, and our Father brought us home, To a safe dwelling place, to a feast of joy and laughter. Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good!

We were fools in our rebellion, with our hunger strike of pride. We were sick and growing closer to the death we should have died. Then he heard of our condition, and he called us by our names; And the God of glory took away our shame.

We were far out on the ocean, making wealth and chasing dreams, But the waves of great destruction brought us tremb'ling to our knees. Then we cried like drunken sailors to the only One who hears, And the God of comfort took away our fears.

#### Prayer

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