



**The Installation Service of
Reverend Gavin Breeden
October 9, 2022**

Welcome to City Reformed Presbyterian Church

We are glad to have you join us for worship this evening. If you would like more information, please contact us at office@cityreformed.org or visit our website: cityreformed.org

Tonight's service of ordination is conducted by a commission of the Pittsburgh Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in America. Prior to the service the commission was convened and the preliminary business in preparation for the ordination was conducted. The members of the Pittsburgh Presbytery's commission are:

TE Mike Bowen (Pastor, Washington PCA)

TE Joseph Bianco (Pastor, City Reformed PCA)

TE Derek Bates (Reformed University Fellowship)

TE Matt Koerber (Pastor, City Reformed PCA)

RE Patrick Myers (Ruling Elder, Pioneer PCA)

RE Jim Partridge (Ruling Elder, City Reformed PCA)

With special Guest TE Nate Bower (Reformed University Fellowship, Kent State) from Ohio Presbytery

Welcome and Explanation of Proceedings

Teaching Elder Matthew Koerber
Senior Pastor, City Reformed Presbyterian Church

Introduction of the Commission

Teaching Elder Matt Koerber

Call to Worship: Psalm 100

Leader Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

People **Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

Leader Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

People **For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.**

Prayer of Invocation

Patrick Myers
Ruling Elder at Pioneer PCA

Opening Hymns

Psalm 100 | All People That on Earth

(Words: William Kethe 1500's; Music: Louis Bourgeois 1510)

All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
Him serve with mirth, His praise forth tell;
Come ye before Him and rejoice.

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed;
Without our aid He did us make;
We are His flock, He doth us feed,
And for His sheep He doth us take.

O enter then His gates with praise;
Approach with joy His courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless His Name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord our God is good;
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.

I Asked The Lord

(Words & Music: John Newton)

I asked the Lord that I might grow
In faith and love and ev'ry grace
Might more of His salvation know
And seek more earnestly His face

'Twas He who taught me thus to pray
And He I trust has answered prayer
But it has been in such a way
As almost drove me to despair

I hoped that in some favoured hour
At once He'd answer my request
And by His love's constraining power
Subdue my sins and give me rest

Instead of this He made me feel
The hidden evils of my heart
And let the angry powers of hell
Assault my soul in ev'ry part

Yea more with His own hand He seemed
Intent to aggravate my woe
Crossed all the fair designs I'd schemed,
Cast out my feelings, laid me low

Lord why is this I trembling cried
Wilt Thou pursue Thy worm to death?
"Tis in this way" the Lord replied
"I answer prayer for grace and faith"

"These inward trials I employ
From self and pride to set thee free
And break thy schemes of earthly joy
That thou mayest seek Thy all in me"

Corporate Prayer

Teaching Elder Joseph Bianco
City Reformed Presbyterian Church

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 Prayer

Sermon: 2 Corinthians 5:16-6:13

"Welcome to the Embassy" - Reverend Matt Koerber

From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. ¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. ¹⁸All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

^{6:1}Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. ²For he says,

“In a favorable time I listened to you,
and in a day of salvation I have helped you.”

Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. ³We put no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; ⁷by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

¹¹We have spoken freely to you, Corinthians; our heart is wide open. ¹²You are not restricted by us, but you are restricted in your own affections. ¹³In return (I speak as to children) widen your hearts also.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Questions for Installation

Teaching Elder Mike Bowen
Washington Presbyterian Church

1. Are you now willing to take charge as Campus Minister of Reformed University Fellowship at the University of Pittsburgh, agreeable to your declaration in accepting its call?
2. Do you conscientiously believe and declare, as far as you know your own heart, that, in taking upon you this charge, you are influenced by a sincere desire to promote the glory of God and the good of the Church?
3. Do you solemnly promise that, by the assistance of the grace of God, you will endeavor faithfully to discharge all the duties as Campus Minister at the University of Pittsburgh, and will be careful to maintain a deportment in all respects becoming a minister of the Gospel of Christ, agreeable to your ordination engagements?

Questions to the Presbytery

Teaching Elder Mike Bowen
Washington Presbyterian Church

1. Do you, the Pittsburgh Presbytery Committee on Campus Ministry, continue to profess your readiness to receive Gavin Breeden, whom you have called to be your Campus Minister at the University of Pittsburgh?
2. Do you promise to receive the word of truth from his mouth with meekness and love, and to submit to him in the due exercise of discipline?
3. Do you promise to encourage him in his labors, and to assist his endeavors for your instruction and spiritual edification?
4. Do you engage to continue to him while he is your Campus Minister at University of Pittsburgh that competent worldly maintenance which you have promised, and to furnish him with whatever you may see needful for the honor of religion and for his comfort among you?

Prayer

Right Hand of Fellowship from the Pittsburgh Presbytery

Pronouncement of Installation

Teaching Elder Matt Koerber

I now pronounce and declare that Gavin Breeden has been regularly called and installed as the RUF Campus Pastor at the University of Pittsburgh agreeable to the Word of God, and according to the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church in America; and that as such he is entitled to all support, encouragement, honor, and obedience in the Lord: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Charge to the Minister

Teaching Elder Nate Bower
RUF, Kent State

Charge to the Presbytery

Teaching Elder Derek Bates
Reformed University Fellowship

Closing Hymn

King of Kings

(Words & Music: Brooke Ligertwood, Jason Ingram, Scott Ligertwood 2018)

In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope without light
'Till from heaven you came running
There was mercy in your eyes
To fulfill the Law and Prophets
To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

*Praise the Father praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of glory majesty
Praise forever to the King of Kings*

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross
Now we see that in your suff'ring
You saw glory to behold
Knowing you were our salvation
Jesus for our sake you died

For the morning that you rose
All of heaven held its breath
'Till that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death
Then the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come

To the Father are re-stored
Then the Church of Christ was born
And the Spirit lit the flame
Now this gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel shall not faint
By his blood and in his name
In his freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me

Benediction

Teaching Elder Gavin Breeden
RUF, University of Pittsburgh

Announcements "What Does RUF Pitt mean to me?"

Refreshments

