

Welcome to City Reformed Presbyterian Church

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

Reflections

"Real change comes in people's attitude toward conflict and reconciliation through a renewed vision of the gospel of Jesus Christ. The gospel is the train of reconciliation."

- Alfred Poirier, "The Peace Making Pastor"

About Us

Sunday Morning Worship Service

10:15AM Winchester Thurston Auditorium 5059 Ellsworth Ave Pittsburgh PA, 15213

LIVESTREAM: tinyurl.com/CRPClive

Sunday Evening Service

5:30PM Greenfield Chapel 3929 Coleman Street Pittsburgh PA, 15207

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Morning Worship Service

City Reformed Presbyterian Church Sunday Morning Worship – July 10, 2022

Presider: Elder David Bacon

Call to Worship: Isaiah 2:2-5

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

Leader It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be lifted up above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it,

People And many peoples shall come, and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths."

Leader For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

People He shall judge between the nations, and shall decide disputes for many peoples;

Leader And they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.

People O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD.

Prayer of Invocation

Isaiah 2 | Come Let Us Walk In The Light

(Words & Music: Daniel Snoke 2019)

Come to the mountain of the LORD A home for the nations
Come to the hill above all hills
Greater than kingdoms
People from all the earth will flow
Into his presence

Come let us walk in the light of the LORD. Come let us walk in the light of the LORD.

Let us go up to meet with God And follow his pathway Let the LORD teach us in the word That goes out from Zion The Law of the LORD will be the light That leads us to worship

Bring your dispute before the LORD And look for his justice Bring to our God your love for war Replace it with mercy Nations will lay their weapons down And take up forgiveness

Scripture Reading: Psalm 34:1-9

Psalm 34 | Gloria

(Mars Hill Music)

I sought for the King. Then He heard my cry, And delivered me From my lonely fears.

They looked unto Him In His radiance. All their faces have Been made unashamed.

Gloria! (4x)

O, taste and see That the Lord is good All you people, all you saints All you children of the King.

Psalm 103:1 | Bless the Lord

(Taizé: Jacques Berthier 1923-1994)

Bless the Lord, my soul And bless God's holy name Bless the Lord, my soul Who leads me into life

Call to Confession: Ephesians 4:1-3

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Prayer of Confession:

Father, we are thankful that you have called us to yourself, to walk in your light and to know you as our heavenly Father. We thank you also that you have called us to walk together with one another as fellow pilgrims in this world. We thank you that we have the friendship and fellowship of other believers.

But as we reflect on the words of Jesus, calling us to love our neighbor as we love ourselves - we know that we fall short. We have sinned against our neighbors with the words we say and the words we have failed to say. We have transgressed our neighbor in thought and in deed. We have failed to bear the burdens of others and desperately need your grace. Renew us and change us. Grant us the blessing of love and unity. May we begin to see the depth of your love as we live in love together. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Ephesians 4:4-6

There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Corporate Prayer

Membership Vows & Baptism: Stephen, Hannah, Emily, Nora, and Elliot Funni.

Baptism: Athena Grace Schartner

Song of Renewal

We consider tithes & offering as an act of worship within the corporate family of Christ. Please use offering bags or direct giving online or via mail (cityreformed.org/give; 3929 Coleman St., 15207).

Hold Our Children | Psalm 78

Words & Music: Daniel Snoke & Naaman Wood 2020)

We regret the things we've lost And name the failures from our past We confess the common sin Of our fathers and our mothers We won't hide them from our children

Our hope, it is not in our own strength Made or lost in the darkness of the past Oh our hope, it is in your saving pow'r In ev'ry age your love will last And you will hold our children fast

We refuse to follow God
Or trust his power to provide
We complain and test his grace
But he shows us loving kindness
We won't hide it from our children

Pastoral Prayer

At this time, children ages 4-7 are invited to continue their worship at Children's Church. Parents please have your children meet the teachers at the back of the sanctuary and pick them up after the sermon from Children's Church.

Sermon: Matthew 18:12-35

"Reconciliation: Process and Presence"

- Reverend Matt Koerber

What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninetynine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? ¹³And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. ¹⁴So it is not the will of Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

15"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. 16But 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. 17If 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. 18Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. 19 Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. 20 For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them."

²¹Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" ²²Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times.

²³ "Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents ²⁵And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' 27 And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denari, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.' 29So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' 30He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. 31 When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they

went and reported to their master all that had taken place. ³²Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' ³⁴And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers,[g] until he should pay all his debt. ³⁵So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God

Additional Scripture

Matthew 5:23-24/ "So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift."

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."

Romans 12:18 / If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

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."

Galatians 6:1-2 / Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ

Ephesians 4:32/ Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.		
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Scriptural Response: John 13:34-35

[Jesus said], "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples. if you have love for one another."

Songs of Thanksgiving

Jesus with Thy Church Abide (Words: Thomas Pollock 1871 Music: Christopher Miner 1997)

Jesus, with Thy Church abide, Be her Savior, Lord, and Guide, While on earth her faith is tried: We beseech Thee, hear us. (2x)

Bid our strife and envy cease, Grant the lovely gift of peace: All her dreadful sin release. We beseech Thee, hear us. (2x)

May her lamp of truth be bright, Bid her bear aloft its light Through the realms of endless night: We beseech Thee, hear us. (2x)

Keep her life and doctrine pure, Help her, patient, to endure, Trusting in Thy promise sure: We beseech Thee, hear us. (2x)

May she one in doctrine be, One in truth and charity, Winning all to faith in Thee: We beseech Thee, hear us. (2x)

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May she guide the poor and blind, Seek the lost until she find. And the broken hearted bind: We beseech Thee, hear us. (2x)

May she thus all glorious be, Spotless and from sin borne free, Pure and bright, bring praise to Thee: We beseech Thee, hear us. (2x),

Nearer My God To Thee (Words: Sarah Adams 1841 Music: Lowell Mason 1856)

Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee! E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me, Still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to Thee. Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

Though like the wanderer, the sun gone down, Darkness be over me, my rest a stone; Yet in my heart am I nearer, my God, to Thee. Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

There let the way appear, steps unto Heav'n; All that Thou sendest me, in mercy giv'n; Still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to Thee. Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

Then, with my waking thoughts bright with Thy praise, Out of my stony griefs Bethel I'll raise; So by my woes to be nearer, my God, to Thee. Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

Then in my Father's home, safe and at rest, There in my Savior's love, perfectly blest; Age after age to be nearer, my God, to Thee. Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

Prayer

Announcements

Benediction

Tonight's Worship Service: Elder Dave Snoke will be preaching on 1 Corinthians 7:10-11 " Live As Though You are Not Married." Grill the preacher— an extended time of Q&A with the preacher— will take place after the service.

Upcoming Events

www.cityreformed.org/events

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Agora Forum, Mon 7/11/22 @ 7PM, 3929 Coleman St., 15207	We will be continuing our series on economics. We will have a guest speaker this week, Dr. Jeremy Weber, a professor at the University of Pittsburgh who has served on the President's Council of Economic Advisors. He will give a talk entitled "Inflation and Justice." The rate of inflation in the US is at 40-year high. This discussion will focus on defining inflation, explaining its various causes, and its implications for justice. Contact Alex (amain8511@gmail.com).
Crates for Ukraine	We will be collecting supplies for at least six crates of aid supplies. We are looking for help in the following ways: - donating supplies for crates (drop off at the Greenfield building this Sunday and next Sunday. - donating airline miles - volunteering to take a crate to Poland A full list of needed supplies is available in the lobby and is attached to the weekly email. Contact Debbie Schwab with quetions (asunlithurricane@gmail.com)
Directory Updates	We transitioned from Adjace to a Planning Center directory. If you are a member of regular attender and have not created an account on the new directory, please contact Zachary@cityreformed.org

Women's Events

Mommies' Playgroup Swimming Friday, July 15th @ 3:00 -5:00PM	Meet at Magee Rec Center's Swimming pool (745 Greenfield Ave). Kids under 15 are free and adults are \$5. Contact Hannah Westman (hannita44@gmail.com) for questions or to rsvp.
Women's Informal Gathering: Settlers Cabin Park Hike Saturday, July 16th @ 9:30AM -12:00PM	Join us for a hike at Settlers Cabin Park (608 Ridge Rd, Pittsburgh, PA 15205)! Please RSVP here (tinyurl.com/informalgatheringjulyhike) Contact Becki Toney (becki@cityreformed.org)
Women's Informal Gathering: Nail Polish Day Saturday, July 30th @ 1:00PM	Bring your favorite nail polish and hang at Elizabeth McMillan's Home (27 Yoder Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15207). Come fellowship even if you don't plan to paint your nails! Contact Katelyn Spallinger (katelyn@cityreformed.org)

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Women's CG Mingle Events - Saturday, July 23rd (various times and locations)	This is an opportunity to mingle with women both inside and outside of your CG! Find your CG below & come prepared to meet someone new! Not in a CG yet? Come to the event closest to you! Contact your CG liaison or Katelyn Spallinger (katelyn@cityreformed.org) for addresses and more information.
	Morningside, North side & East Suburban: 6-8PM at Torie Lettow's Home West Hills, Regent Square & Near East Suburban: 6-8PM at Katrina Campbell's Home Greenfield/Baldwin & Shadyside: 6:30-8:30PM at Hannah Westman's Home North Hills, Fox Chapel, & Forest Hills: 7:30-9PM at Rachael Leuenberger's Home

Children's Ministry

VBS Supplies	After church on Sunday, take a tag to donate or loan supplies for VBS! Bring donations to church or the Greenfield Chapel by July 24.
Save the Date: VBS Prep Party Saturday July 23 10-1 at the Greenfield Chapel.	All are welcome to help prep materials and make signs. Come and go as you are able and kids are welcome! We will be providing lunch, so RSVP to Debbie Bacon (vbs@cityreformed.org) by Friday July 22 if you will be joining us for lunch!
Save the Date: VBS Training on July 24th, after church!	Please contact Debbie with questions (vbs@cityreformed.org)

Regular Events

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Wednesday Prayer Meetings 8:30-9:30 AM	Join our staff as they pray for our church. Wednesday weekly prayer is held on Zoom at: https://tinyurl.com/crpcwednesdayprayer
Global Mission Prayer Mondays @9PM	Join our church in prayer for our mission partners We will be praying for Andrew and Amy and their future work in North Africa Zoom link: https://tinyurl.com/crpcglobalprayer
Summer RUF! Every Wed, beginning June 1st 3334 Dawson Street	Dinner at 6pm, Study at 7. All college students, recent HS grads, and recent college grads welcome. Questions? callie.miller@ruf.org

Groups

College Students please refer to campus ministry contacts below:

- CCO at CMU: Nameun Cho (ncho@ccojubilee.org)
- CCO at PPU: Katelyn Spallinger (kspallinger@ccojubilee.org)
- RUF at Pitt: Callie Miller (callie.miller@ruf.org)
- · cityreformed.org/collegestudents

Specialty Groups meet in particular areas of interest for Bible study, fellowship, learning, and service.

- Agora Forum- Alex Main (amain8511@gmail.com)
- Men's New Hope (Joseph@cityreformed.org)
- Mommies' Group (Sandy@cityreformed.org)
- Wednesday Morning Prayer (Zachary@cityreformed.org)
- Men's Discipleship Committee (mdc@cityreformed.org)
- Young Adult Women's Fellowship (Katelyn@cityreformed.org)
- Informal frisbee
- Board Game Gatherings

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