



Sunday Morning Communion Worship
June 1, 2025

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

"But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him."

– John 4:23

About Us

Sunday Morning Worship Service

10:15AM
Winchester Thurston Auditorium
5059 Ellsworth Ave
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
LIVESTREAM: tinyurl.com/CRPCLive

Sunday Evening Worship Service

5:30PM
Greenfield Chapel
3929 Coleman Street
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Presider: Reverend Nameun Cho

Call to Worship: Colossians 3:12-17

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

Leader Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another,

People **Forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.**

Leader And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

People **And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.**

Leader Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

People **And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.**

Prayer of Invocation

Rejoice

(Words & Music: Ben Shive, Bryan Fowler, Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, and Skye Peterson 2022)

Rejoice in the Lord now and always,
Sing it again, we rejoice
Delight in the love he has shown us,
Gratefully lift up your voice

His gentleness among us
Will join our hearts with praise
We gather in his goodness,
A family of grace

*With each breath he's given,
Praise the Lord
In these times we live in,
We will praise the Lord
Throughout ev'ry season, I am sure
We have ev'ry reason
To praise the Lord*

Rejoice and be anxious for nothing,
Praying for all that you need
Come with a song of thanksgiving,
Lay your requests at his feet

His peace will fall upon us
To guard our hearts and minds
In Christ, who reigns eternal,
Shepherd of our lives

Rejoice in the Lord now and always,
Tell of the good he has done
Worship the Lord to remember,
All of the joy yet to come

The hope that burns within us,
The dark cannot destroy
With praise that's never ending,
We say again rejoice

Great Are You Lord

(Words & Music: Leslie Jordan & David Leonard 2012)

You give life You are love
You bring light to the darkness
You give hope You restore
Ev'ry heart that is broken
And great are You Lord

*It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise
We pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only*

And all the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry these bones will sing
Great are You Lord

Call to Confession: Romans 1:21

For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened.

Prayer of Confession:

O Lord, no day of our lives has passed that has not proved us guilty in your sight. Prayers have been uttered from a prayerless heart, praise has often been praiseless sound. We have done things we should not have done, and we have not done things we should have done. If we were to stand before you on our own, we must surely be rejected.

However, all things in Christ plead for our acceptance. By his stripes we are healed, and he was bruised for our iniquities. He has been made sin so that we might be made righteous in you. We pray for your cleansing touch to wash away our corruption, and for your hands to rework our lives anew. We pray these things in Christ's holy name. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Romans 1:16-17

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

Corporate Prayer

Song of Renewal

We consider tithes & offering as an act of worship within the corporate family of Christ. Cards and donations can be placed in offering bags. Giving can also be directed online (cityreformed.org/give) or sent via mail (3929 Coleman St., 15207).

Goodness Of God

(Words & Music: Ed Cash and Jenn Johnson 2018)

I love you Lord
Oh your mercy never fails me
All my days
I've been held in your hands

From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

*All my life you have been faithful
All my life you have been so, so good
With ev'ry breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God*

I love your voice
You have led me through the fire
In darkest night
You are close like no other

I've known you as a Father
I've known you as a Friend
I have lived in the goodness of God

Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me

With my life laid down
I'm surrendered now
I give you everything
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me

Pastoral Prayer

At this time, children ages 4-5 are invited to continue their worship at Children's Church. Please pick them up after the sermon.

Sermon: 1 Chronicles 15:1-4; 15:11-16:6

"David Learns from His Mistake..."

- Reverend Matt Koerber

David built houses for himself in the city of David. And he prepared a place for the ark of God and pitched a tent for it. ²Then David said that no one but the Levites may carry the ark of God, for the LORD had chosen them to carry the ark of the LORD and to minister to him forever. ³And David assembled all Israel at Jerusalem to bring up the ark of the LORD to its place, which he had prepared for it. ⁴And David gathered together the sons of Aaron and the Levites: ... ¹¹Then David summoned the priests Zadok and Abiathar, and the Levites Uriel, Asaiah, Joel, Shemaiah, Eliel, and Amminadab, ¹²and said to them, "You are the heads of the fathers' houses of the Levites. Consecrate yourselves, you and your brothers, so that you may bring up the ark of the LORD, the God of Israel, to the place that I have prepared for it. ¹³Because you did not carry it the first time, the LORD our God broke out against us, because we did not seek him according to the rule." ¹⁴So the priests and the Levites

consecrated themselves to bring up the ark of the LORD, the God of Israel. ¹⁵And the Levites carried the ark of God on their shoulders with the poles, as Moses had commanded according to the word of the LORD.

¹⁶David also commanded the chiefs of the Levites to appoint their brothers as the singers who should play loudly on musical instruments, on harps and lyres and cymbals, to raise sounds of joy. ¹⁷So the Levites appointed Heman the son of Joel; and of his brothers Asaph the son of Berechiah; and of the sons of Merari, their brothers, Ethan the son of Kushaiah; ¹⁸and with them their brothers of the second order, Zechariah, Jaaziel, Shemiramoth, Jehiel, Unni, Eliab, Benaiah, Maaseiah, Mattithiah, Eliphelehu, and Mikneiah, and the gatekeepers Obed-edom and Jeiel. ¹⁹The singers, Heman, Asaph, and Ethan, were to sound bronze cymbals; ²⁰Zechariah, Aziel, Shemiramoth, Jehiel, Unni, Eliab, Maaseiah, and Benaiah were to play harps according to Alamoth; ²¹but Mattithiah, Eliphelehu, Mikneiah, Obed-edom, Jeiel, and Azaziah were to lead with lyres according to the Sheminith. ²²Chenaniah, leader of the Levites in music, should direct the music, for he understood it. ²³Berechiah and Elkanah were to be gatekeepers for the ark. ²⁴Shebaniah, Joshaphat, Nethanel, Amasai, Zechariah, Benaiah, and Eliezer, the priests, should blow the trumpets before the ark of God. Obed-edom and Jehiah were to be gatekeepers for the ark.

²⁵So David and the elders of Israel and the commanders of thousands went to bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD from the house of Obed-edom with rejoicing. ²⁶And because God helped the Levites who were carrying the ark of the covenant of the LORD, they sacrificed seven bulls and seven rams. ²⁷David was clothed with a robe of fine linen, as

also were all the Levites who were carrying the ark, and the singers and Chenaniah the leader of the music of the singers. And David wore a linen ephod. ²⁸So all Israel brought up the ark of the covenant of the LORD with shouting, to the sound of the horn, trumpets, and cymbals, and made loud music on harps and lyres.

²⁹And as the ark of the covenant of the LORD came to the city of David, Michal the daughter of Saul looked out of the window and saw King David dancing and celebrating, and she despised him in her heart.

^{16:1}And they brought in the ark of God and set it inside the tent that David had pitched for it, and they offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before God. ²And when David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD ³and distributed to all Israel, both men and women, to each a loaf of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins.

⁴Then he appointed some of the Levites as ministers before the ark of the LORD, to invoke, to thank, and to praise the LORD, the God of Israel. ⁵Asaph was the chief, and second to him were Zechariah, Jeiel, Shemiramoth, Jehiel, Mattithiah, Eliab, Benaiah, Obed-edom, and Jeiel, who were to play harps and lyres; Asaph was to sound the cymbals, ⁶and Benaiah and Jahaziel the priests were to blow trumpets regularly before the ark of the covenant of God.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Additional Scripture

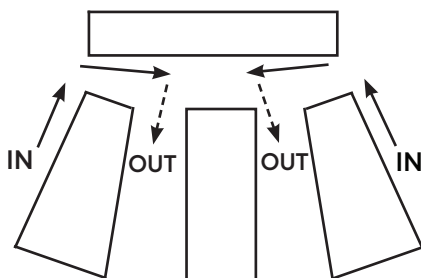
1 Chronicles 15:5-10 / ...of the sons of Kohath, Uriel the chief, with 120 of his brothers; of the sons of Merari, Asaiah the chief, with 220 of his brothers; of the sons of Gershom, Joel the chief, with 130 of his brothers; of the sons of Elizaphan, Shemaiah the chief, with 200 of his brothers; of the sons of Hebron, Eliel the chief, with 80 of his brothers; of the sons of Uzziel, Amminadab the chief, with 112 of his brothers.

2 Corinthians 4:15 / For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

Communion

City Reformed Church invites all baptized Christians who are willing to forsake their sins and trust Christ alone for salvation, and who are members of congregations which proclaim the gospel, to receive Holy Communion with us. Parents with non-communing children are encouraged to bring their children forward during communion. The elders will lay a hand on their head and briefly pray for them as they serve you.

Communion is served with wine and with grape juice. The wine is placed in the two outer circles of the communion tray, and the grape juice is placed in the inner circle. Because Jesus used wine during the first communion service, we believe using real wine is beneficial. However, participants are welcome to choose. There is also gluten-free bread available on each plate.



City Reformed Church distributes communion to groups of people who come forward to eat and drink the Lord's Supper together. Please join us in song as we celebrate Christ dwelling with his church in the sacrament of communion. Lines are formed at the front of the room and the entire line will eat and drink at the same time. Not everyone should stand and line up at the same time and it is often better to remain seated until the line progresses. Please notify an usher if you are unable to come forward and need to receive communion in your seat.

Songs of Communion

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

(Words: John Newton 1774; Music: Laura Taylor 2001)

Let us love and sing and wonder,
Let us praise the Savior's name,
He has hushed the law's loud thunder,
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame,
He has washed us with his blood (3x),
He has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord who bought us,
Pitied us when enemies.
Called us by his grace and taught us
Gave us ears and gave us eyes.
He has washed us with his blood (3x),
He presents our souls to God.

Let us sing though fierce temptations
Threaten hard to bear us down.
For the Lord our strong salvation
Holds in view the conqueror's crown
He who washed us with his blood (3x),
Soon will bring us home to God.

Let us wonder grace and justice
Join and point to mercy's store.
When through grace in Christ our trust is
Justice smiles and asks no more.
He who washed us with his blood (3x),
Has secured our way to God.

Let us praise and join the chorus
Of the saints enthroned on high.
Here they trusted him before us
Now their praises fill the sky.
You have washed us with your blood (3x),
You are worthy, Lamb of God.

Arise My Soul Arise

(Words: Charles Wesley 1742; Music: Kevin Twit 1996)

Arise my soul, arise,
Shake off your guilty fears;
The bleeding sacrifice
On my behalf appears.
Before the throne my surety stands, (2x)
My name is written on his hands.

He ever lives above,
For me to intercede.
His all redeeming love,
His precious blood to plead.
His blood atoned for every race, (2x)
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

Arise (Arise)
Arise (Arise) Arise
Arise my soul arise (repeat 2x)
Shake off your guilty fears and rise

Five bleeding wounds he bears,
Received on Calvary.
They pour effectual prayers,
They strongly plead for me.
Forgive him, O forgive they cry. (2x)
Don't let that ransomed sinner die.

My God is reconciled,
His pardoning voice I hear;
He owns me for his child,
I can no longer fear;
With confidence I now draw nigh, (2x)
And "Father, Abba, Father!" cry.

Christ Our Hope In Life And Death

(Words & Music: Jordan Kauflin, Keith Getty, Matt Boswell, Matt Papa, and Matthew Merker 2020)

What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone, Christ alone
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to him belong

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Who holds our days within his hand?
What comes, apart from his command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ, in which we stand

*O sing hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal
O sing hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death*

What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good, God is good
Where is his grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood
Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore, the rock of Christ?

Unto the grave, what will we sing?
"Christ, he lives; Christ, he lives!"
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with him
There we will rise to meet the Lord
Then sin and death will be destroyed
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore

Doxology

(Words: Thomas Ken 1674; Music: Louis Bourgeois 1510)

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. (repeat)
Amen

Benediction

*At tonight's Worship Service, Elder Dave Snoke will be preaching
from Psalm 19, "God Speaks to Us."*

Announcements

www.cityreformed.org/events

Bible Study for Moms Wednesdays for 5 weeks: May 28, June 4, 11, 18, 25 7:30-9:00 PM	Join fellow City moms as we read through Gloria Furman's "Treasuring Christ When Your Hands are Full", a short book of gospel meditations guiding us toward a vibrant relationship with God amidst the season of motherhood. Sam Philip's home: 1012 Winterton St. 15206
Women's Bible Study	Join Women at City in studying the book of Ephesians together this Summer. Various locations and times, starting mid June. Register at https://crpc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2946747 by June 1 if you would like us to order a book. Contact Debbie (dpasewark@gmail.com)
Men's Camping Trip Moraine State Park Friday June 20th - Saturday June 21st	Activities will include ultimate frisbee, relaxing by a campfire, fishing from Mr. Luke's boat, bike riding and swimming in the lake! Registration is required (https://tinyurl.com/CRPCMensCampingTrip2025) as we will be providing dinner on Friday and breakfast on Saturday. Bring your sons, your favorite outdoor games/equipment and invite your friends and neighbors. General questions can be directed to Adam Schwab. Limited lodging is available for those that are not able to camp. For questions related to lodging, please contact Luke Kephart.
All Church Picnic Sunday July 13, Following Morning Worship Anderson Playground	Save the date! All church picnic at Anderson Playground on 7/13 after church. WMC will provide hot dogs. Please bring a side or dessert to share!
Save the Date: VBS July 21-25, 9:30-12:30 300 Saline Street	Get ready to adventure to Alaska for this summer's True North VBS! July 21 - 25, 9:30 to 12:30 at 300 Saline Street. Youth and adult volunteers needed to guide kids ages 4 through rising 5th graders in what it means to TRUST JESUS in this wild world! Registration is open now! https://crpc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2887119
Pittsburgh Region International Student Ministry (PRISM) You can connect with a student!	PRISM needs connection partners! It's a wonderful opportunity to invest in the life of an international student. Complete a profile & be matched to a student at https://tinyurl.com/crpc-prism25 . Talk to Bethany Beck or a Missions Committee member to learn more.
Nursery and Children's Ministry Summer Rooms	Starting June 1st, Nursery and Children's Ministry will be moving to new rooms while WT does construction. Maps are available on the welcome table, as well as on the Nursery check in table! The nursing room will move to room 116.

Regular Events

www.cityreformed.org/events

College Shuttle: On Pause	The college shuttle is on pause for the summer and will resume in time for the beginning of the academic year.
Agora Forum: Every other Monday 7:00 PM 300 Saline Street	We discuss theology and popular culture topics from a Christian perspective. We meet every other Monday at the new building at 7 pm (300 Saline St). The next meeting is June 2. Contact Alex Main (amain8511@gmail.com)
Global Missions Prayer: Monday @ 9:00 PM	We will be praying for Adrienne Willhoft this week on June 2nd. Held on Zoom: https://tinyurl.com/CRPCglobalprayer2024
Bean Sprouts Ministry: 3rd Wednesday 12:00 PM	The next Bean Sprouts meeting will be Wednesday, June 18 at noon in the Greenfield Chapel. Contact Joe Stehle: joestehle@gmail.com.
Wednesday Prayer Meetings: 8:30-9:30 AM	All are welcome to join our Wednesday prayer community. We begin with Scripture, move to a general opening prayer of adoration/thanksgiving, then share specific prayer requests and pray through them. Held on Zoom at: https://tinyurl.com/crpcwednesdayprayer .
Youth Group: Biweekly Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30 PM Greenfield Chapel	Regular Youth Group meetings will resume in the fall. Contact Molly at molly@cityreformed.org for more info on summer youth events and more!
Young Adult Women's Discipleship Group: Bi-Weekly Wednesdays 7:00 PM	Meets on the North Side and Squirrel Hill. Current study: Psalms 31-60. Contact Lindsay Karr for more info: lindsay.karr@gmail.com.
Thursday Women's Bible Study 1:00-3:00 PM	Women's Bible study on Becoming A Woman of Prayer. Thursdays from 1:00-3:00PM at Cathy Taylor's House. Contact Cathy Taylor for more information at lawyerdad5@aol.com
Mommies' Discipleship Group: 2nd & 4th Thursdays 7:00 - 9:00 PM	Join us for a time of fellowship and encouragement as we pray for one another and study the book of Luke. Contact Sandy for more info: scssnoke@comcast.net.
Young Adults Fellowship	Young Adults Fellowship is a monthly time of fellowship, food, and connection for young adults at City. Contact Claire Josey, clairemjosey@gmail.com, for more info.

College Students please refer to campus ministry contacts below:

- CMU: Chris Bollinger (cwbollinger@gmail.com)
- CCO at PPU: Matt Koerber (pastormatt@cityreformed.org)
- RUF at Pitt: Gavin Breeden & Callie Miller (gavin.breeden@ruf.org, callie.miller@ruf.org)
- *cityreformed.org/collegestudents*

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

- *Agora Forum (amain8511@gmail.com)*
- *Men's New Hope (Joseph@cityreformed.org)*
- *Mommies' Group (Sandy@cityreformed.org)*
- *Wednesday Morning Prayer (Nameun@cityreformed.org)*
- *Men's Discipleship Committee (mdc@cityreformed.org)*
- *Young Women's Discipleship Group (lindsay.karr@gmail.com)*
- *Ultimate Frisbee (danielrtoney@gmail.com)*
- *Board Game Gatherings (gatcheson@gmail.com)*

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