



Sunday Morning Worship
June 29, 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

"To worship the Lord is—in the world's eyes—a waste of time. It is, indeed, a royal waste of time, but a waste nonetheless. By engaging in it, we don't accomplish anything useful in our society's terms. Worship ought not to be construed in a utilitarian way. Its purpose is not to gain numbers for our churches to be seen as successful. Rather, the entire reason for our worship is that God deserves it."

– Marva Dawn

About Us

Sunday Morning Worship Service

9:15AM & 11:15AM
Winchester Thurston Upper School
455 Morewood Ave
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
LIVESTREAM 11:15: tinyurl.com/CRPCLive

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Welcome Information:



Sunday Evening Worship Service

5:30PM
Greenfield Chapel
3929 Coleman Street
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Donations

Online: Church Center App (Give)
OR cityreformed.org/give
Mail: Church Office address above "Attn: Bookkeeper" (please make checks payable to City Reformed Presbyterian Church)

Morning Worship Service

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Presider: Reverend Nameun Cho

Call to Worship: Romans 8:28-35, 37

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

Leader And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.

People For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.

Leader And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

People What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

Leader He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?

People Who shall bring any charge against God's elect?

Leader It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.

People Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?

Leader Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ...

People No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

Prayer of Invocation

Psalm 104 | Rejoice in All Your Works

(Words & Music: Wendell Kimbrough 2014)

Every mouth that cries for food,
Every lung that yearns for breath,
Every eye that searches through the dark for light—
All creation looks to you
For its breath and for its food.
From the goodness of your hand we're satisfied.

*Oh rejoice in all your works,
King of Heaven, King of Earth!
Every creature you have made declares your praise.
We rejoice in all you've made,
God of all-sustaining grace!
With the mountain, sky, and sea, we sing your praise!*

Every tree that thirsts for rain,
Every bird that seeks its nest,
Every heart that waits in hope to be made glad—
All creation looks to you
For its breath and for its food.
From the goodness of your hand we're satisfied

May the pond'rings of my heart,
And the song upon my lips,
With the chorus of creation join in praise:
To the God who made all things,
To the Spirit who sustains,
To the Son who over all creation reigns!

Scripture Reading: Psalm 63:1-8

Satisfied

(Words: Clara T. Williams 1875; Music: Karl Digerness 1997; Arranged: Daniel Snoke 2010)

All my life long I had panted
For a drink from some clear spring,
That I hoped would quench the burning
Of the thirst I felt within.

*Hallelujah! He has found me.
The one my soul so long has craved!
Jesus satisfies all my longings,
Through His blood I now am saved.*

Feeding on the filth around me,
Till my strength was almost gone,
Longed my soul for something better,
Only still to hunger on.

Poor I was, and sought for riches,
Something that would satisfy,
But the dust I gathered round me
Only mocked my soul's sad cry.

Well of water, ever springing,
Bread of life so rich and free,
Untold wealth that never faileth,
My Redeemer is to me.

Call to Confession: Colossians 1:10-11

So as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy;

Prayer of Confession:

Forgive us Lord we often walk in opposition to you. Remind us that our sin is serious. Remind us of your never failing love. Show us that it is better to live in your love walking with you, than it is to live in sin walking away from you. Send your Spirit to strengthen our feet, because we cannot do anything without your help. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Colossians 1:12-14

Giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Member Testimony: (11:15am)

The Dufendach Family (Keith, Katie, Sophia, Kyla, Lucas, Annalee)

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).

All Sufficient Merit

(Bethany Barnard, Bryan Fowler, and Shane Barnard 2023)

All sufficient merit shining like the sun
A fortune I inherit by no work I have done
My righteousness I forfeit at my savior's cross
Where all sufficient merit did what I could not

In love he condescended eternal now in time
A life without a blemish the Maker made to die
The law could never save us our lawlessness had won
Until the pure and spotless Lamb had finally come

*It is done it is finished
No more debt I owe
Paid in full all sufficient
Merit now my own*

I lay down my garments any empty boast
Good works now all corrupted by the sinful host
I'm dressed in my Lord Jesus a crimson robe made white
No more fear of judgment his righteousness is mine

All sufficient merit firm in life and death
The joy of my salvation shall be my final breath
When I stand accepted before the throne of God
I'll gaze upon my Jesus and thank him for the cross
Yes I'll thank him for the cross

Pastoral Prayer

Today is an all-age service when our kids join us for the sermon. Pastor Matt will be giving out lollipops to those that present him with a drawing or notes of the sermon!

Sermon: 1 Chronicles 17:16-27

"David's Prayer of Celebration"

- Reverend Matt Koerber

Then King David went in and sat before the LORD and said, "Who am I, O LORD God, and what is my house, that you have brought me thus far? ¹⁷And this was a small thing in your eyes, O God. You have also spoken of your servant's house for a great while to come, and have shown me future generations, O LORD God! ¹⁸And what more can David say to you for honoring your servant? For you know your servant. ¹⁹For your servant's sake, O LORD, and according to your own heart, you have done all this greatness, in making known all these great things. ²⁰There is none like you, O LORD, and there is no God besides you, according to all that we have heard with our ears. ²¹And who is like your people Israel, the one nation on earth whom God went to redeem to be his people, making for yourself a name for great and awesome things, in driving out nations before your people whom you redeemed from Egypt? ²²And you made your people Israel to be your people forever, and you, O LORD, became their God. ²³And now, O LORD, let the word that you have spoken concerning your servant and concerning his house be established forever, and do as you have spoken, ²⁴and your name will be established and magnified forever, saying, 'The LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, is Israel's God,' and the house of your servant David will be established before you. ²⁵For you, my God, have revealed to your servant that you will build a house for him. Therefore your servant has found courage to pray before you. ²⁶And now, O LORD,

you are God, and you have promised this good thing to your servant. ²⁷Now you have been pleased to bless the house of your servant, that it may continue forever before you, for it is you, O LORD, who have blessed, and it is blessed forever.”

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Additional Scripture

Ephesians 1:3-6 / Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

Notes

Creedal Response: Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q 1. What is the main purpose of mankind?

A. Mankind's main purpose is to glorify God and to enjoy him forever.

Songs of Thanksgiving

How Sweet and Awesome is the Place

(Words: Isaac Watts 1707; Music: Old Irish Melody)

How sweet and awesome is the place
With Christ within the doors
While everlasting love displays
The choicest of her stores

While all our hearts and all our songs
Join to admire the feast
Each of us cries with thankful tongue
Lord why was I a guest

Why was I made to hear your voice
And enter while there's room
When thousands make a wretched choice
And rather starve than come

Twas the same love that spread the feast
That sweetly drew us in
Else we had still refused to taste
And perished in our sin

Pity the nations O our God
Constrain the earth to come
Send your victorious Word abroad
And bring the strangers home

We long to see your churches full
That all who seek your face
May with one voice and heart and soul
Sing your redeeming grace

Behold Our God

(Words & Music: Jonathan, Meghan, & Ryan Beird, & Stephen Altrogge 2011)

Who has held the oceans in his hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at his voice
All creation rises to rejoice

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of his words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things?
Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds?

*Behold our God, seated on his throne
Come, let us adore him
Behold our King, nothing can compare
Come, let us adore him!*

Who has felt the nails upon His hands
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal, humbled to the grave
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign!

You will reign forever!
Let your glory fill the earth *(repeat)*

Benediction

At tonight's Worship Service, Reverend Matt Koerber will be preaching from Psalm 103, "Meditations on the Character of God."

Announcements

www.cityreformed.org/events

Roses	Rose for Max and Jenny Winters - Jack was born to Jenny and Max Winters on May 29th
Women's Bible Study	Join Women at City in studying the book of Ephesians together this Summer. Various locations and times. Register at https://crpc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2946747 . Contact Debbie (dpasewark@gmail.com)
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!
VBS Volunteers Needed July 21-25, 9:30-12:30 300 Saline Street	Get ready to adventure to Alaska for this summer's True North VBS! We still need 12 youth and 3 adult volunteers 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.
Summer College Student Bible Study Hosted by RUF Tuesdays, June and July Dinner 6:30 PM Bible study 7:30 PM	All college students, recent HS grads, and recent college grads are welcome to join us! Hosted at various homes. For locations and more info contact Gavin Breeden, gavin.breeden@ruf.org or 931-303-6006.

Regular Events

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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 30. Contact Alex Main (amain8511@gmail.com)
Global Missions Prayer: Monday @ 9:00 PM	We will be praying for Andrew and Amy this week on June 30th. Held on Zoom: https://tinyurl.com/CRPCglobalprayer2024
Bean Sprouts Ministry: 3rd Wednesday 12:00 PM	The next Bean Sprouts meeting will be Wednesday, July 16th 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/crcpwednesdayprayer .
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 will continue throughout the summer. 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	On summer break and will resume in August. 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)*
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