



Sunday Morning Worship
June 8, 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 evangelize is to spread the good news that Jesus Christ died for our sins and was raised from the dead according to the Scriptures, and that, as the reigning Lord, he now offers the forgiveness of sins and the liberating gifts of the Spirit to all who repent and believe. Our Christian presence in the world is indispensable to evangelism, and so is that kind of dialogue whose purpose is to listen sensitively in order to understand. But evangelism itself is the proclamation of the historical, biblical Christ as Saviour and Lord, with a view to persuading people to come to him personally and so be reconciled to God. In issuing the gospel invitation we have no liberty to conceal the cost of discipleship. Jesus still calls all who would follow him to deny themselves, take up their cross, and identify themselves with his new community. The results of evangelism include obedience to Christ, incorporation into his Church and responsible service in the world."

– *Lausanne Covenant, Section 4 (1974)*

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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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)

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Information:



Morning Worship Service

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Presider: Elder Joe Stehle

Call to Worship: Psalm 67:1-7

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

Leader May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face
to shine upon us

People That your way may be known on earth, your saving power
among all nations.

Leader Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

People Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the
peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

Leader Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

People The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless
us. God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!

Prayer of Invocation

Psalm 96 | Christ is the Lord Redeemer and King

(Words & Music: Daniel Snoke, Jalen Bell, Nate Glasper Jr., Eron Lauchié 2024)

Sing to the LORD, sing a new song
To God whom the glory of nations belong
Trust in the LORD and not empty praise
For Great is the LORD and great are his ways

Give to the LORD O drifter and saint
Give to the LORD both glory and strength
Bring him your life and make it his throne
Offer your heart and enter his home

*Say the LORD reigns, he's breaking the curse
Here the LORD brings his kingdom to earth
Now The LORD reigns! With heaven we sing
"Christ is the Lord Redeemer and King"*

The heavens rejoice with earth and the sea
They join in the song of true jubilee
Creation proclaims the day of the Lord
And kingdom shalom will soon be restored

*Say the LORD reigns! All nations and tribes
Here the LORD reigns, the church as his bride
Now The LORD reigns! Let everyone sing
"Christ is the Lord Redeemer and King"*

His good good justice is fixed like the mountains
His faithfulness and mercy are boundless

Такий великий Бог | "Such A Great God" (Ukrainian)

(Ярина Вислоцька)

Нехай поклоняться Тобі всі народи, Бог мій
Nekhay poklonyat'sya Tobi vsi narodi, Boh miy

Бо Ти один достойний слави,
Bo Ti odin dostoiniy slavi,

Ти один святий
Ti odin svyatiy

Нехай співають всі Тобі: Слава, слава, слава!
Nekhay spivayut' vsi Tobi: Slava, slava, slava!

Слава, слава, слава Тобі!
Slava, slava, slava Tobi!

Нехай молитви всі Тобі, З подякою складають
Nekhay molitvi vsi Tobi, S podyakoyu skladayut'

Бо Ти один достойний слави, добрий тільки ти
Bo Ti odin dostoiniy slavi, dobriy tilki ti

Нехай співають всі Тобі: Слава, слава, слава
Nekhay spivayut' vsi Tobi: Slava, slava, slava!

Слава, слава, слава Тобі!
Slava, slava, slava Tobi!

Такий великий Бог, а так близько
Takiy velykiy Boh, a tak bliz'ko

Ти так близько, в серці моїм
Ti tak bliz'ko, v sertsy moyim

Хоч небо над землею, так високо
Hoch nebo nad zemleyu, tak visoko

А Ти близько, в серці моїм,
A Ti bliz'ko, v sertsy moyim

Такий великий Бог
Takiy velikiy Boh

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Алілуя, алілуя, алілуя, Тобі Бог
Aliluya, aliluya, aliluya, Tobi Boh

Алілуя, алілуя, алілуя, Тобі
Aliluya, aliluya, aliluya, Tobi

English Translation:

Let all nations worship you, my God
For you alone are worthy of glory,
You alone are holy
Let all sing to you: Glory, glory, glory!
Glory, glory, glory to you!
Let all pray to you, with thanksgiving,
For you alone are worthy of glory,
You alone are good
Let all sing to you: Glory, glory, glory
Glory, glory, glory to you!

*Such a great God, and yet so near
You are so near, in my heart
Though the heavens are so high above the earth
Yet You are near, in my heart,
Such a great God*

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, to you God

O For a Thousand Tongues To Sing

(Words & Music: Charles Wesley 1739)

O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of his grace.

My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad
The honors of thy name.

Jesus, the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the power of cancelled sin,
He sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean,
His blood availed for me.

He speaks, and listening to his voice,
New life the dead receive;
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice;
The humble poor believe.

To God all glory, praise, and love
Be now and ever giv'n;
By saints below and saints above,
The church in earth and heav'n.

Call to Confession: Ephesians 6:12-13

For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm.

Prayer of Confession:

Lord, I want to do what is good, not just so that I can escape punishment, or be seen by others as good, but because it really is good. And yet I constantly fail to do what is good by your standards. I have little concern for those who are suffering. I don't take risks to show people your love. I want to create a nest of safety for myself and my family, instead of overflowing your love for people who need you.

I ask you to forgive me, Lord, for I cannot cleanse myself. I ask you to change my heart. Teach me, Lord, to walk in your ways. Help me, Lord, to love how you love. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Ephesians 2:1-7

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

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).

Holy Spirit

(Words & Music: Keith Getty & Stuart Townend 2006)

Holy Spirit living Breath of God
Breathe new life into my willing soul
Let the presence of the risen Lord
Come renew my heart and make me whole
Cause your word to come alive in me
Give me faith for what I cannot see
Give me passion for your purity
Holy Spirit breathe new life in me

Holy Spirit come abide within
May your joy be seen in all I do
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin
In each thought and deed and attitude
Kindness to the greatest and the least
Gentleness that sows the path of peace
Turn my strivings into works of grace
Breath of God show Christ in all I do

Holy Spirit from creation's birth
Giving life to all that God has made
Show your power once again on earth
Cause your church to hunger for your ways

Let the fragrance of our pray'rs arise
Lead us on the road of sacrifice
That in unity the face of Christ
May be clear for all the world to see

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 16:7-14, 23-27, Matthew 28:18-20, 2 Timothy 2:1-4

"The Great Commission"

- Elder Dave Snoke

1 Chronicles 16:7-14, 23-27

Then on that day David first appointed that thanksgiving
be sung to the LORD by Asaph and his brothers.

⁸Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples!

⁹Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wondrous works!

¹⁰Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

¹¹Seek the LORD and his strength;
seek his presence continually!

¹²Remember the wondrous works that he has done,
his miracles and the judgments he uttered,

¹³O offspring of Israel his servant,
children of Jacob, his chosen ones!

¹⁴He is the LORD our God;
his judgments are in all the earth...

...²³Sing to the LORD, all the earth!
Tell of his salvation from day to day.

²⁴Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples!

²⁵For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,
and he is to be feared above all gods.

²⁶For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols,
but the LORD made the heavens.

²⁷Splendor and majesty are before him;
strength and joy are in his place.

Matthew 28:18-20

And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

2 Timothy 2:1-4

You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, ²and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also. ³Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. ⁴No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Additional Scripture

2 Corinthians 10:3-5 / For though we walk in the flesh, we are not waging war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds. We destroy arguments and every lofty opinion raised against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive to obey Christ,

Revelation 5:7-10 / And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

Creedal Response: Lausanne Covenant, Section 6 (1974)

We affirm that Christ sends his redeemed people into the world as the Father sent him, and that this calls for a similar deep and costly penetration of the world. We need to break out of our ecclesiastical ghettos and permeate non-Christian society. In the Church's mission of sacrificial service, evangelism is primary. World evangelization requires the whole Church to take the whole gospel to the whole world.

Songs of Thanksgiving

The Great Commission

(Words & Music: Daniel Justice Snoke 2022)

At your call we follow
In your name we worship
In our doubting hearts be glorified

*All authority is mine therefore go
Baptize all the world and teach them my Word
By Father Son and Holy Spirit I am with you*

Be Thou My Vision

(Words: Mary Elizabeth Byrne 1905; Music: "Slane")

Be thou my vision O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me save that thou art
Thou my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping thy presence my light

Be thou my wisdom and thou my true word
I ever with thee and thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father I thy true son
Thou in me dwelling and I with thee one

Be thou my battle shield sword for my fight
Be thou my dignity be thou my might
Thou my soul's shelter thou my high tow'r
Raise thou me heav'n-ward O Pow'r of my pow'r

Riches I heed not nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance, now and always
Thou and thou only first in my heart
High King of Heaven my treasure thou art

High King of Heaven my victory won
May I reach heaven's joys O bright heaven's Sun
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall
Still be my vision O Ruler of All

Benediction

At tonight's Worship Service, Elder Ben Chidester will be preaching from Psalm 45, "Preparations for a Royal Wedding."

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 . 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!
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.
Summer College Student Bible Study hosted by RUF Tuesdays, June and July. Dinner 6:30pm, Bible study 7:30pm.	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 16. Contact Alex Main (amain8511@gmail.com)
Global Missions Prayer: Monday @ 9:00 PM	We will be praying for the Jones' at City Presbyterian this week on June 9th. 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. On summer break and will resume in August.
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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