

Evening Worship Service

City Reformed Presbyterian Church Sunday Evening Worship – August 10, 2025

Presider: Elder Joe Stehle

Call to Worship: Psalm 96:1-6

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

Leader Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth!

People Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

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

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

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

People Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

Prayer of Invocation

Crown Him With Many Crowns

(Words: Matthew Bridges 1951; Music: George Job Elvey 1868)

Crown Him with many crowns
The Lamb upon His throne
Hark how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own
Awake my soul and sing
Of Him who died for thee
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity

Crown Him the Lord of life
Who triumphed o'er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife
For those He came to save
His glories now we sing
Who died and rose on high
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die

Crown Him the Lord of love
Behold His hands and side
Rich wounds yet visible above
In beauty glorified
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight
But downward bends each burning eye
At mysteries so bright

Crown Him the Lord of peace Whose pow'r a scepter sways From pole to pole That wars may cease And all be prayer and praise His reign shall know no end And round His pierced feet Fair flowers of paradise extend Their fragrance ever sweet

Crown Him the Lord of years
The Potentate of time
Creator of the rolling spheres
Ineffably sublime
All hail Redeemer hail
For Thou hast died for me
Thy praise shall never never fail
Throughout eternity

May the Mind of Christ My Savior

(Words: Kate Wilkinson 1925; Music: Daniel Snoke 2018)

May the mind of Christ my Savior Live in me from day to day By his love and pow'r controlling All I do, all I say

May the Word of God dwell richly In my heart from hour' to hour So that all may see I triumph Only through his love and pow'r Only through his love and pow'r

May the love of Jesus fill me As the waters fill the sea Him exalting self removing This is my victory

May the peace of God my Father Rule my life in ev'rything That I may be quick to comfort All the sick and sorrowing All the sick and sorrowing

May his beauty rest upon me
As I seek the lost to win
And may they forget the channel
Seeing him only him

May I run the race before me Strong and brave to face the foe Looking only unto Jesus As I onward with him go

Call to Confession: 1 Samuel 8:4-9

Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah and said to him, "Behold, you are old and your sons do not walk in your ways. Now appoint for us a king to judge us like all the nations." But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to judge us." And Samuel prayed to the LORD. And the LORD said to Samuel, "Obey the voice of the people in all that they say to you, for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. According to all the deeds that they have done, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt even to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so they are also doing to you. Now then, obey their voice; only you shall solemnly warn them and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them."

Prayer of Confession:

Lord, you are, and always have been, our King. You reign justly and wisely, you provide for your people, and you protect us as a shield about us. Yet we would not have you as our king. Truly, we would rather have ourselves reign upon the throne of our lives than you, even though you are a far more gracious, wise, loving, and equitable king than we are or any man or idol who might be lord over our lives. Forgive us for our pride. Forgive us for rejecting you, our true King. Come, and take your place upon the throne of our hearts, we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Ezekiel 37:23-27

They shall not defile themselves anymore with their idols and their detestable things, or with any of their transgressions. But I will save them from all the backslidings in which they have sinned, and will cleanse them; and they shall be my people, and I will be their God.

"My servant David shall be king over them, and they shall all have one shepherd. They shall walk in my rules and be careful to obey my statutes. They shall dwell in the land that I gave to my servant Jacob, where your fathers lived. They and their children and their children's children shall dwell there forever, and David my servant shall be their prince forever. I will make a covenant of peace with them. It shall be an everlasting covenant with them. And I will set them in their land and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in their midst forevermore. My dwelling place shall be with them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people."

Corporate Prayer

Song of Renewal

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

Scarcity (I Am)

(Words & Music: Daniel Snoke, Karin Simmons, Shannon Sims 2020)

In your scarcity I am full
In your want I am enough
In your silence I am your voice

I am the One who will gather Broken pieces you scatter Bring your fragments I will make them whole

Scripture & Homily: Psalm 96 "The Lord Reigns!"

- Elder Ben Chidester

h sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all the earth!

²Sing to the LORD, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.

³Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples!

⁴For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;
he is to be feared above all gods.

⁵For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols,
but the LORD made the heavens.

⁶Splendor and majesty are before him;
strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

⁷Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!
⁸Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts!
⁹Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth!

¹⁰Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns!
Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity."

11Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
12 let the field exult, and everything in it!
Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy
13 before the LORD, for he comes, for he comes to judge the earth.
He will judge the world in righteousness,

and the peoples in his faithfulness. blessed is the one who trusts in you!

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Additional Scripture

Luke 19:37-40 / As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out."

Romans 8:19-21 / For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God.

Ephesians 5:18-19 / And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart,

Song of Thanksgiving

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

Benediction

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Announcements

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In-Person Prayer Monday, August 11, 7 PM CRPC Chapel, 3929 Coleman St.	Join the missions committee to pray for international student ministry in Pittsburgh and to pray for Matt and Chrissie as they serve for a week in Bulgaria. Contact Alex@alexcwatt.com for more info
Women's Mentor Information Meeting Friday, August 15, 7-9 PM 955 LaClair Street, 15218	Women of all ages are invited to meet with the Women's Discipleship Committee to learn about the mentor program and the role of a mentor! No age requirement for there is always a woman younger than you! Please come and learn about the joy of spending time and sharing life with a younger sister in Christ. Yummy desserts will be available, too! Contact Sandy scsnoke@comcast.net
Fall Kick-Off (MS & HS) Sunday, August 24th, 12:00 PM-2:00 PM, Schenley Park Overlook	We invite all MS and HS students to join in celebrating the start of another academic year! We will meet at the Schenley Park Overlook immediately after Morning Worship for fellowship and tournament-style yard games (e.g., Spikeball, Cornhole, Kan Jam). Snacks will be provided, but please pack a lunch and picnic blanket! Contact Molly (molly@cityreformed.org)
Women's Ephesians Study End of Summer Get Together Saturday, August 31, 1 PM 300 Saline Street	Join us for lunch and fellowship to celebrate the end of our Women's Summer Bible Studies! Sign up to contribute here: https://crpc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/3052271. Contact Amanda (mooreae1@gmail.com)
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.
Children's Ministry Job Opening	The Children's Ministry has an opening to assist with weekly rhythms of administrative tasks and Sunday ministry. Job descriptions can be customized to the gifts and availability of applicants. Email <i>nameun@cityreformed.org</i> to apply or for more information.
Youth Ministry Job Opening	The Youth Ministry is looking for a male candidate to engage in discipleship relationships with our male youth. Email <i>nameun@cityreformed.org</i> to apply or for more information.