



"I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you."

- Psalm 119:11

**Sunday Evening Service
September 7, 2025**

Evening Worship Service

City Reformed Presbyterian Church

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Presider: Reverend Matt Koerber

Call to Worship: Isaiah 55:1-3a, 9-12

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

Leader Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat!

People **Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.**

Leader Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

People **Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.**

Leader Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; ... For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord.

People **For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.**

Leader "For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;

People **It shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.**

Leader "For you shall go out in joy and be led forth in peace;

People **The mountains and the hills before you shall break forth into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands."**

Prayer of Invocation

We Are Listening

(Words & Music: Jeremy Quillo 2006)

Father I long to be wise
To see with new eyes
The truth that was written by your hand
Father speak truth into me
For I still believe
That you always help me understand

We are listening to your word
We are listening to your word

*Morning and evening we come
To delight in the Word of our God
Give us eyes to see
Give us faith to hear
That the Lord has come
That the Lord is here*

Father I long to see Christ
The Truth and New Life
Your Word that has made the universe
Father speak now I believe
And I am set free
By the Word that lived and died for me

Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

(Words: Louisa M. R. Stead 1882 - Music: William J. Kirkpatrick 1882)

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus
Just to take him at his word
Just to rest upon his promise
Just to know, "Thus saith the Lord"

O how sweet to trust in Jesus
Just to trust his cleansing blood
Just in simple faith to plunge me
'Neath the healing, cleansing flood

*Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him
How I've proved him o'er and o'er
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus
O for grace to trust him more*

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Yes 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus
Just from sin and self to cease
Just from Jesus simply taking
Life and rest, and joy and peace

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee
Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend
And I know that Thou art with me
Wilt be with me to the end

Call to Confession: Hebrews 4:12

For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

Prayer of Confession: From Psalm 139

Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Hebrews 6:17-20

So when God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose, he guaranteed it with an oath, so that by two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to hold fast to the hope set before us. We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.

Testimony: John Harris

Corporate Prayer

Song of Renewal

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Promises

(Words & Music: Aaron Moses, Carrington Gaines, Dante Bowe, Keila Alvarado, and Lemuel Marin 2020)

God of Abraham
You're the God of covenant
Of faithful promises
Time and time again
You have proven
You do just what you say

Though the storms may come
And the winds may blow
I'll remain steadfast
And let my heart learn
When you speak a word
It will come to pass

*Great is your faithfulness to me
Great is your faithfulness to me
From the rising sun
To the setting same
I will praise your name
Great is your faithfulness to me*

God from age to age
Though the earth may pass away
Your Word remains the same
Your history can prove
There's nothing you can't do
You're faithful and true

I put my faith in Jesus
My anchor to the ground
My hope and firm foundation
He'll never let me down

Scripture & Homily: Psalm 103

"Psalm 103 Revisited"

- Reverend Matt Koerber

Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me,
bless his holy name!

²Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits,

³who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,

⁴who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

⁵who satisfies you with good
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

⁶The LORD works righteousness
and justice for all who are oppressed.

⁷He made known his ways to Moses,
his acts to the people of Israel.

⁸The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

⁹He will not always chide,
nor will he keep his anger forever.

¹⁰He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.

¹¹For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

¹²as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

¹³As a father shows compassion to his children,
so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

¹⁴For he knows our frame;
he remembers that we are dust.

- ¹⁵As for man, his days are like grass;
he flourishes like a flower of the field;
¹⁶for the wind passes over it, and it is gone,
and its place knows it no more.
¹⁷But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to
everlasting on those who fear him,
and his righteousness to children's children,
¹⁸to those who keep his covenant
and remember to do his commandments.
¹⁹The LORD has established his throne in the heavens,
and his kingdom rules over all.

²⁰Bless the LORD, O you his angels,
you mighty ones who do his word,
obeying the voice of his word!
²¹Bless the LORD, all his hosts,
his ministers, who do his will!
²²Bless the LORD, all his works,
in all places of his dominion.
Bless the LORD, O my soul!

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Additional Scripture

Hebrews 2:1 / Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it.

Song of Thanksgiving

Praise My Soul The King Of Heaven

(Words & Music: Henry Francis Lyte and John Goss)

Praise my soul the King of heaven
To His feet thy tribute bring
Ransomed healed restored forgiven
Who like thee His praise should sing
Praise Him Praise Him
Praise Him Praise Him
Praise the everlasting King

Praise Him for His grace and favour
To our fathers in distress
Praise Him still the same forever
Slow to chide and swift to bless
Praise Him Praise Him
Praise Him Praise Him
Glorious in His faithfulness

Father-like He tends and spares us
Well our feeble frame He knows
In His hands He gently bears us
Rescues us from all our foes
Praise Him Praise Him
Praise Him Praise Him
Widely as His mercy flows

Angels in the height adore Him
Ye behold Him face to face
Sun and moon bow down before Him
Dwellers all in time and space
Praise Him Praise Him
Praise Him Praise Him
Praise with us the God of grace

Benediction