

# 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

"Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!"

- Psalm 133:1

#### **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 Pittsburgh, PA 15207

#### Church Office

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Church)

# Morning Worship Service

City Reformed Presbyterian Church

Sunday Morning Worship - October 19, 2025

Presider: Reverend Nameun Cho

### Call to Worship: Psalm 100

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

Leader Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

People Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

Leader Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his;

People We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Leader Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!

People Give thanks to him; bless his name!

Leader For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever,

People And his faithfulness to all generations.

# Prayer of Invocation

#### **Holy Holy Holy**

(Words: Reginald Heber 1826; Music: John Bacchus Dykes 1823-76)

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee; Holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Who was, and is, and evermore shall be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see; Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee, Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy Name, In earth, and sky, and sea; Holy, holy, holy; merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

### All Creatures of Our God and King

(Words: St. Francis of Assisi 1225; Music: Lasst Uns Erfreun 16-1900s)

All creatures of our God and King, Lift up your voice and with us sing, Alleluia! Alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam, Thou silver moon with softer gleam, O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong, Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along, O praise Him, Alleluia!
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice, Ye lights of evening, find a voice, O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia! Alleluia!

And all ye souls of tender heart,
Forgiving others, take your part,
O sing ye, Alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
Praise God, and on Him cast your care,
O praise Him, O praise Him,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless, And worship Him in humbleness, O praise Him, Alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, And praise the Spirit, three in one, O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia! Alleluia!

# Scripture Reading: Psalm 16:1-3

# Psalm 133 | How Good It Is (Words & Music: Daniel Snoke & Paul Zach 2019)

How good it is when we dwell within your will When unity for all your people you restore We live as though we have life forevermore When we share in the peace you pour from Zion's hill When we share in the peace you pour from Zion's hill

Oh how good it is Oh how good it is Oh how good it is When we dwell within your will

### Call to Confession: 1 John 4:7-8

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love.

# Prayer of Confession:

Father, you love your people as we are. But you also are working to change us. You have promised that your eternal purposes include forming us into the image of your Son, Jesus Christ. We confess that instead of seeking to grow up into maturity, we are too often content to remain the same. Change seems scary and we value comfort and security too much. Help us to see the glory of the cross and the beauty of our upward call in Christ. Help us to know Jesus better and become more like him. We pray that your love would fill our hearts and lead us to truly love our brothers and sisters. Do this, so that Jesus will be glorified in our lives. Amen.

### Silent Confession

### Assurance of Pardon: 1 John 4:9-10

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

# Membership Vows:

Silas & Anna Hall, Josh Moore, Micah & Caleb Byun, James Harris, Jake Hommes, Libby Barker, Charis & John McCombs

# **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).

#### It Is Well With My Soul

(Words: Horatio G. Spafford 1873; Music: Philip P. Bliss 1876)

When peace like a river attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea-billows roll, Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say "It is well, it is well with my soul."

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, Let this blessed assurance control: That Christ has regarded my helpless estate And hath shed His own blood for my soul.

It is well with my soul It is well, it is well with my soul!

My sin--O the bliss of this glorious thought!--My sin not in part, but the whole Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

And Lord, haste the day, when the faith shall be sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll, The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend, Even so, it is well with my soul! Pastoral Prayer

At this time, children ages 4-6 are invited to continue their worship at Children's Church. Parents, please have your children meet the teachers at the back of the sanctuary and pick them up after the sermon from Children's Church in room 115.

**Sermon:** Philippians 2:1-11 "Following Jesus into Humble Love"

- Reverend Matt Koerber

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, <sup>2</sup>complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. <sup>3</sup>Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. <sup>4</sup>Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

<sup>5</sup>Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup>but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup>And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

### Creedal Response: wsc 23, 27-28

Q. 23. What offices does Christ carry out as our redeemer?

A. Christ, as our redeemer, carries the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in his state of humiliation and his state of exaltation.

Q. 27. What did Christ's humiliation consist of?

A. Christ's humiliation consisted of his being born in a low condition, living under the Law, undergoing the miseries of this life, undergoing the wrath of God and the cursed death of the Cross, and in being buried and continuing under the power of death for a time.

Q. 28. What does Christ's exaltation consist of?

A. Christ's exaltation consists of his rising again from the dead on the third day, ascending to heaven, sitting at the right hand of God the Father, and coming to judge the world on the last day.

# Songs of Thanksgiving

#### Christ Is Lower Still

(Words & Music: Matt Maher, Kate Bluett, Doe Jones 2023)

Breathe in reach out
Touch the hem of your garment now
Help me heal me
My mind my body and soul

Let the King descend Living Word Made Flesh Lift this heavy heart To your throne O God In your wounds I find Room for all of mine When from grace I fell Christ was lower still

Humbly lowly Jesus waits in the valley My savior suffers with me With him I'll rise again

We lift it all up to you Lord We lift it all up to you Lord

### 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**

At tonight's Communion Worship Service, Reverend Joseph Bianco will be preaching from 1 Corinthians 15:12-19, "The Resurrection" in our series on the Apostle's Creed.

### **Announcements**

### www.cityreformed.org/events

RUF at Pitt Thursdays, 9 PM David Lawrence Hall, 104	RUF Large Group Worship and Bible Study is meeting on Thursdays in David Lawrence Hall Room 104 this semester at Pitt. All college students welcome!
Women's Bible Study Tuesdays 9:45 AM-11:45 AM Greenfield Chapel	Studying Revelation using Blessed: Experiencing the Promise of the Book of Revelation by Nancy Guthrie. Contact Tracy ( <i>partridge.ta@gmail.com</i> ) or Luda ( <i>luda.bates@gmail.com</i> ). Childcare provided.
CRPC Annual Hayride Gearhard Farms Saturday, October 25 3:00-5:00 PM	Join us for our annual fellowship event at Gearhard Farms in Murrysville! It will be a sweet time of gathering, snacking and singing, culminating with a fun hayride and corn maze activity. We are asking for a \$5 donation if you can attend (\$20 for a family). Looking forward to celebrating this season with you! Register and fill out waivers at https://tinyurl.com/CRPC2025Hayride
Missions Dinner 300 Saline Street Saturday, November 1 6:00-8:00 PM	Enjoy this potluck meal as we hear stories about how the good news of Jesus is spreading to every cultural group. We will hear about cross-cultural work in our backyard (PRISM) and across the world (including North Africa and Ethiopia), and discuss ways to support our partners. Sign up here: https://tinyurl.com/missionspotluck
Mentor Lunch Sunday, November 2 Winchester Thurston	Women of all ages are invited to the annual mentor lunch after morning worship. Come enjoy fellowship, soup and desserts and hear testimonies of the Lord's faithfulness through the relationships of our mentors and mentees. Contact Sandy at scsnoke@comcast.net
Shepherd's Heart Clothing Drive Sunday, November 9 Winchester Thurston	CRPC is partnering with Shepherd's Heart Fellowship for a clothing drive this fall to benefit homeless veterans. Please bring any lightly used clothes, especially winter clothing items, to church 11/9.
Thanksgiving Dinner RMU Dome, Coraopolis Saturday, November 15	Mark your calendars for our annual Thanksgiving Dinner! Bring food to share as we reflect and give thanks to our God while feasting with one another.
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 <a href="https://tinyurl.com/crpc-prism25">https://tinyurl.com/crpc-prism25</a> . Talk to Bethany Beck or a Missions Committee member to learn more.
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.

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All scripture verses are the English Standard Version (ESV), unless otherwise noted.

Regular Everit	www.cityrerormed.org/events
College Shuttle Sundays	9:30AM - PPU: 201 Wood St; Contact: Amy: amy@cityreformed.org 9:40AM - Duquesne University: 1015 Forbes Ave; Contact: Nameun: nameun@cityreformed.org 9:55AM - PITT: 4024 O'Hara St; Contact: Gavin: gavin.breeden@ruf.org
Agora Forum Biweekly Mondays, 7PM, 300 Saline Street	We discuss theology and popular culture topics from a Christian perspective. The next meeting is October 20. Dr. Snoke will lead a discussion "What is liberal theology?" Contact Alex Main (amain8511@gmail.com)
Global Missions Prayer Mondays @ 9:00 PM	We will be praying for the MTW Bulgaria Team Oct 20th. Held on Zoom: https://tinyurl.com/ CRPCglobalprayer2024
Bean Sprouts 3rd Wednesday 12:00 PM	The next Bean Sprouts meeting will be Wednesday, November 19th at noon in the Greenfield Chapel. Contact Joe Stehle: <i>joestehle@gmail.com</i> .
Wednesday Prayer Meetings 8:30-9:30 AM	Please join us for Scripture reading, adoration, thanksgiving, and sharing prayer requests. Held on Zoom at: https://tinyurl.com/crpcwednesdayprayer.
Youth Group Biweekly Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30 PM Greenfield Chapel	This is an opportunity for our MS & HS students to connect with God through His Word & with one another through games, Bible teaching, discussion, & prayer. Our next gathering is October 22nd!
Young Adult Women's Discipleship Group Biweekly Wednesdays, 7:00 PM	Meets on the North Side. Current study: Psalms 31-60. Contact Lindsay Karr for more info: <i>lindsay.karr@gmail.com</i> .
Men's New Hope Bi-Weekly Wednesdays	A ministry for men struggling with various kinds of sexual sin where we practice accountability, scripture reading, and book work. If you are interested in joining, you'll need to first meet with the group leader. Please contact <code>joseph@cityreformed.org</code> for more information.
Thursday Women's Bible Study 1:00-3:00 PM	Women's Bible study on Growing Older and Wiser Thursdays from 1:00-3:00PM at Cathy Taylor's House. Contact Cathy Taylor for more info at lawyerdad5@aol. com
Young Adults Fellowship	Young Adults Fellowship is a monthly time of fellowship, food, and connection for young adults at City. Contact Michele Kloes, <i>michele.kloes@gmail.com</i> , for more info.
Ultimate Frisbee Thursdays	Ultimate frisbee group meets Thursday evenings. All skill levels are welcome! Contact Dan Toney ( <i>danielrtoney</i> @ <i>gmail.com</i> ) for more information.

### 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, and Abbay Kocsis (gavin.breeden@ ruf.org, callie.miller@ruf.org, abbay.kocsis@ruf.org)
- cityreformed.org/collegestudents

Community Groups meet for Bible study, fellowship, and service. Contact Elder Ben Chidester (ben@cityreformed.org) or visit our website at www. cityreformed.org/community-groups/

#### Sunday:

Fox Chapel A - Watson Barker Fox Chapel B - Damon Claus North Hills - David Bacon

Monday:

Forest Hills - Adam Schwab Morningside - James Lettow

Tuesday:

Shaler - Dan Toney

Bellevue/North Side - Joe Benscoter Friday:

Squirrel Hill - Ben Chidester

#### Wednesday:

Friendship - Michael Hilton Greenfield - Max Winters Regent Square - Dave Snoke

#### Thursday:

Shadyside - Chris Bollinger West Hills - Jon Dodd

East Suburban - Joe Stehle

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