

Sunday Evening Service October 26, 2025

- "1. It pleased God, in his eternal purpose, to choose and ordain the Lord Jesus, his only begotten Son, to be the mediator between God and mankind—the prophet, priest, and king, the head and savior of his Church, the heir of all things, and the judge of the world. From all eternity he gave to the Lord Jesus a people to be his seed and eventually to be redeemed, called, justified, sanctified, and glorified by him.
- 5. The Lord Jesus, by his perfect obedience and sacrifice of himself, which he offered up to God once, through the eternal Spirit, has fully satisfied the justice of his Father and has purchased not only reconciliation but an everlasting inheritance in the kingdom of heaven for all those whom the Father has given to him."
 - Westminster Confession of Faith (1646), Chapter 8

Evening Worship Service

City Reformed Presbyterian Church Sunday Evening Worship – October 26, 2025

Presider: Elder Craig Kozminski

Call to Worship: Philippians 2:8-11

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

Leader And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

People Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name,

Leader So that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth.

People And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Prayer of Invocation

Who Is This So Weak And Helpless

(Words: William Walsham How; Music: Christopher Miner 1998)

Who is this, so weak and helpless, Child of lowly Hebrew maid, Rudely in a stable sheltered, Coldly in a manger laid?
'Tis the Lord of all creation, Who this wondrous path has trod; He is Lord from everlast—ing, And to everlasting God.

Who is this, a Man of Sorrows, Walking sadly life's hard way, Homeless, weary, sighing, weeping Over sin and Satan's sway? 'Tis our God, our glorious Savior, Who above the starry sky Is for us a place prepar—ing, Where no tear can dim the eye.

Who is this? Behold him shedding Drops of blood upon the ground! Who is this, despised, rejected, Mocked, insulted, beaten, bound? 'Tis our God, Who gifts and graces On His church is pouring down; Who shall smite in holy ven—geance All His foes beneath His throne.

Who is this that hangs there dying While the rude world scoffs and scorns, Numbered with the malefactors, Torn with nails, and crowned with thorns? 'Tis our God Who lives forever 'Mid the shining ones on high, In the glorious golden ci—ty, Reigning everlastingly.

Psalm 72 | Jesus Shall Reign

(Isaac Watts 1719; Music "Duke Street" John Hatton 1793)

Jesus shall reign wher e'er the sun Does his successive journeys run His kingdom stretch from shore to shore Till moons shall rise and set no more

To him shall endless prayer be made And princes throng to crown his head His name like sweet perfume shall rise With every morning sacrifice

People and realms of every tongue Dwell on his love with sweetest song And infant voices shall proclaim Their early blessings on his name

Blessings abound wherever he reigns The pris'ner leaps to lose his chains The weary find eternal rest And all the sons of want are blest

Let every creature rise and bring The highest honors to our King Angels descend with songs again And earth repeats the loud amen

Call to Confession: Hebrews 12:18-25

For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear." But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. See that you do not refuse him who is speaking. For if they did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, much less will we escape if we reject him who warns from heaven.

Prayer of Confession: Based on Paul's prayer in Colossians 1:9-14

Father, you have delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of your beloved Son. We look to him alone for redemption, we look to the cross of Christ for the forgiveness of our sins. We ask to be filled with the knowledge of your will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding. Help us to walk in a manner that is pleasing to you and help us to be fruitful with good works. Strengthen us with all power according to your glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy. We give you thanks for the inheritance that you have prepared for us. We thank you that you are continuing to work for our good in all things to prepare us for our heavenly inheritance. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. § The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,* the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

- § Christ suffered God's wrath on the cross
- * Universal church

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)

God The Uncreated One (King Forevermore)

(Words & Music: Aaron Keyes and Pete James 2016)

God the uncreated one
The author of salvation
Wrote the laws of space and time
And fashioned worlds to his design
The one whom angel hosts revere
Hung the stars like chandeliers
Numbered every grain of sand
Knows the heart of every man
He is King forever
He is King forever
He is King forever

God our fortress and our strength
The Rock on which we can depend
Matchless in his majesty
His power and authority
Unshaken by the schemes of man
Never changing Great I Am
Kingdoms rise and kingdoms fall
He is faithful through it all
Crown him King forever
Crown him King forever

Mighty God in mortal flesh
Forsaken by a traitor's kiss
The curse of sin and centuries
Did pierce the lowly Prince of Peace
Lifted high the sinless man
Crucified the spotless Lamb
Buried by the sons of man
Rescued by the Father's hand
To reign as King forever
Reign as King forever
Reign as King forever

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King eternal God of grace
We crown you with the highest praise
Heaven shouts and saints adore
You're holy holy holy Lord
What joy in everlasting life
All is love and faith is sight
Justice rolls and praises rise
At the name of Jesus Christ
King of kings forever
King of kings forever

Scripture & Homily: Acts 1:6-11, 1 Cor 15:12-19, 25-28, 50-55 "Jesus our Eternal Human King"

- Elder Dave Snoke

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." ⁹And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, ¹¹and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

^{1 Cor 15:12}Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁴And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in

vain. ¹⁵We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. ¹⁶For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁷And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. ¹⁹If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied...

²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death. ²⁷For "God has put all things in subjection under his feet." But when it says, "all things are put in subjection," it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in subjection under him. ²⁸When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all...

⁵⁰I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. ⁵¹Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, ⁵²in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. ⁵³For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. ⁵⁴When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written:

"Death is swallowed up in victory."

55"O death, where is your victory?

O death, where is your sting?"

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Additional Scripture

Hebrews 1:1-4 / Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Song of Thanksgiving

Apostles' Creed

(Traditional Sacred Heart Melody)

I believe in God the Father, Maker of all heav'n and earth. And in Jesus Christ, our Savior, God's own Son of matchless worth; By the Spirit was conceivéd, Of the virgin Mary born, He in whom I have believéd; God Almighty, Three in One.

Suffered under Pontious Pilate, Crucified for me he died. Laid within the grave so silent, Gates of hell he opened wide; For the stone sealed tomb was empty; On the third day He arose; Into heaven made his entry, Mighty conquer'r of his foes.

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At God's right hand he is seated,
Till his coming, as he said;
Final judgement will be meted
To the living and the dead;
I confess the Holy Spirit,
Who was sent through Christ the Son.
To apply salvation's merit:
God, the Spirit Three in one.

I believe the church of Jesus, Universal e'er remains; We are one through all the ages In communion of the saints. I believe sins are forgiven, That our bodies will be raised. To eternal life in glory, Ever let his name be praised.

Benediction

Announcements

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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 (partridge.ta@gmail.com) or Luda (luda.bates@gmail.com). Childcare provided.
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 https://tinyurl.com/crpc-prism25 . 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.

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