



Sunday Morning Worship
October 11, 2020

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

"I, I am the LORD, and besides me there is no savior. I declared and saved and proclaimed, when there was no strange god among you; and you are my witnesses," declares the LORD, "and I am God."

- Isaiah 43:11-12

About Us

Sunday Morning Worship Service

10:15AM

LIVESTREAM: tinyurl.com/CRPCLive

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Sunday Evening Worship Service

SUNDAY 10/11 & 10/25 | 5 PM & 6 PM

Winchester Thurston Parking Lot
5059 Ellsworth Ave.
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Donations

Online: cityreformed.org/give

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"Attn: Allison" (please make checks payable
to City Reformed Presbyterian Church)

Worship Service

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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!

People **It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

Leader Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

People **For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.**

Prayer of Invocation

All Hail the Power of Jesus Name

(Words: Edward Perronet 1780; Music: Oliver Holden 1793)

All hail the power of Jesus' name

Let angels prostrate fall

Bring forth the royal diadem

And crown Him Lord of all

Bring forth the royal diadem

And crown Him Lord of all

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race

Ye ransomed from the fall

Hail Him who saves you by His grace

And crown Him Lord of all

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Let every kindred every tribe
On this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all
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And crown Him Lord of all

O that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all

Isaiah 43

(Words & Music: Author Unknown)

When you pass through the waters,
I will be with you,
And the waves will not overcome you.
Do not fear,
For I have redeemed you.
I have called you by name;
You are mine.

For I am the Lord, your God (echo)
I am the Lord, your God
I Am The Holy One of Israel, your Savior.
Repeat

I am the Lord (Do not fear)
I am the Lord (Do not fear)
I am the Lord (Do not fear)
I am the Lord (Do not fear)

When you walk through the fire,
You'll not be burned,
And the flames will not consume you.
Do not fear,
For I have redeemed you.
I have called you by name;
You are mine.

Call to Confession: Matthew 11:28-30

"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Prayer of Confession

Father, we cry out for your mercy. By nature, our hearts are hard and we can't make ourselves holy. And so we rejoice again in the wonder of the gospel. Though we fall short of your holy standard, through faith in Christ we are declared righteous in your sight. We are saved, not because we have made ourselves godly, but because you justify the ungodly. This same power that brought us new life is changing us. We are being made into the image of your Son.

But we confess that we are slow to change. We often feel stuck and struggle to believe that you are re-molding and re-shaping us. Sometimes we simply struggle to believe that change is possible. We pray that you would renew our faith and give us new sight. Awaken our hearts to your love and lead us into new obedience. Make us new. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Hebrews 9:13-14

For if the blood of goats and bulls, and the sprinkling of defiled persons with the ashes of a heifer, sanctify for the purification of the flesh, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

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).

Oh Give Thanks to the Lord

(Word & Music: Wendell Kimbrough 2014)

We were wand'ring in the desert
With our souls so starved and weak.
We were hungry for a homeland we did not know how to seek.
But we lifted up our voices to the only One who hears;
And the God of mercy came and brought us near.

We were locked out of the garden,
And our backs bent down with pain.
In the shadow of death's darkness,
We were slaves to sin and blame.
Then we cried out in our labor to the only One who hears,
And the God of mercy wiped away our tears.

*Oh give thanks to the LORD for His love endures forever!
We were wandering and lost, and our Father brought us home,
To a safe dwelling place, to a feast of joy and laughter.
Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good!*

We were fools in our rebellion, with our hunger strike of pride.
We were sick and growing closer
To the death we should have died.
Then he heard of our condition, and he called us by our names;
And the God of glory took away our shame.

We were far out on the ocean,
Making wealth and chasing dreams,
But the waves of great destruction
Brought us tremb'ling to our knees.
Then we cried like drunken sailors to the only One who hears,
And the God of comfort took away our fears.

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon: Hebrews 10:32-39

Forward in Faith: "Faith in the Living God" - Reverend Matt Koerber

³⁰"The Lord will judge his people." ³¹It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

But recall the former days when, after you were enlightened, you endured a hard struggle with sufferings, ³³sometimes being publicly exposed to reproach and affliction, and sometimes being partners with those so treated. ³⁴For you had compassion on those in prison, and you joyfully accepted the plundering of your property, since you knew that you yourselves had a better possession and an abiding one. ³⁵Therefore do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. ³⁶For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God you may receive what is promised. ³⁷For,

“Yet a little while,
and the coming one will come and will not delay;
³⁸but my righteous one shall live by faith,
and if he shrinks back,
my soul has no pleasure in him.”

³⁹But we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who have faith and preserve their souls.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Creedal Response: Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 86. What is faith in Jesus Christ?

A. Faith in Jesus Christ is a saving grace by which we receive and rest on him alone for salvation, as he is offered to us in the Gospel.

Songs of Thanksgiving

Please stand for the final songs if you are able.

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

(Words: Thomas Obediah Chisholm; Music: William Marion Runyan 1923)

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with thee;
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see:
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Oh Lord You're Beautiful

(Words & Music: Keith Green 1980)

Oh Lord You're beautiful
Your face is all I seek
And when Your eyes are on this child
Your grace abounds to me

Oh Lord, You're merciful
Your love is all we need
And when Your love is with your church
Forgiveness we receive.


Prayer

Announcements

Benediction

If you would like to contact a pastor, please email joseph@cityreformed.org.

Life Together

Open Evening Services TONIGHT @ 5 & 6 PM <i>WT Parking Lot, 5059 Ellsworth Ave, 15213</i>	
	<p>Outdoor, socially distanced, in-person service held twice, with communion (pre-packaged individual cups) served both times. Please review instructions for attending at: cityreformed.org/open-service. A few reminders:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• If able to attend either, last names A-J attend 5PM & K-Z the 6PM.• ** BRING MASKS ** <i>Mandatory mask policy for everyone over 2 yrs old.</i>• Bring your own seating.• Check in on your Church Center app (go to Check-In), or we will check you in when you arrive. Scan the QR code for the Church Center app if you haven't already downloaded it!• Continue all CDC recommended behavior (sanitize hands, cough into your sleeve, avoid handshakes/hugs, etc.), maintain social distance by remaining 6 ft apart from the nearest person who is not part of your household group.• If you would like to access the building for restrooms, Winchester Thurston requires self-assessment screening and you should submit this form, tinyurl.com/WTSscreening, before entering the building - one form per Sunday per household.
	<p>Attend Morning Service "In-Person" Sundays @ 10:15 AM WT, 5059 Ellsworth, 15213</p>

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<p>Adult CE by Irwyn Ince, "The Beautiful Community: Unity, Diversity, and the Church at Its Best" THIS Sat 10/17 @ 7:00 PM IN-PERSON: 3929 Coleman St., 15207 LIVESTREAM: tinyurl.com/CEunity</p>	<p>Ince addresses the gospel imperative for churches to demolish dividing walls within and move towards wholeness and reconciliation. Books are available for purchase in the foyer. Sign up to attend in-person on your Church Center App (go to Events), or online: crpc.churchcenter.com/registrations. Contact John (john@cityreformed.org). For those of you who missed the webinar by Daniel Strange on "Plugged In", please find the recording online: cityreformed.org/seminars.</p>
<p>North Oakland CG Welcome Gathering Fri 10/16 @ 7PM</p>	<p>Join us for a bonfire at John Stuart's House in McKees Rocks. Contact Ben (benwchidester@gmail.com) for info.</p>
<p>Bethany Food Bank and Master's Kitchen Service Opportunity Thurs 9 AM - 1 PM or 4 - 6 PM Fri 12 - 1 PM</p>	<p>Volunteers needed to help transport and package food with Bethany Community Ministries. Help out once or on a weekly/biweekly schedule. Contact Donna at Bethany: 412.251.1227 or any of the Deacons (deacons@cityreformed.org).</p>
<p>Adult Class on Introduction to Christianity In-Person (masks & socially distanced) TODAY, 15 min after service WT Dining Hall</p>	<p>In-person class taught by Dr. David Snoke; bring a lunch. Register on your Church Center App (go to Events), or online: crpc.churchcenter.com/registrations. Appropriate for young adults, those new to Christianity, and those having doubts. Contact David (snoke@pitt.edu).</p>
<p>Hiring CRPC Staff Position: Director of Sound, Tech, Design</p>	<p>CRPC is looking to hire a part-time Director of Sound, Tech, and Design to oversee our A/V and web needs. Contact Daniel (dsnoke@ccojubilee.org) or Nameun (nameun@cityreformed.org).</p>
<p>CSS Meeting: "Is the Natural World Good or Bad?" Sat 10/24 @ 10AM - 4PM WebinarIII</p>	<p>Address the general question of whether nature is "fallen," and if so, what that means. The event is free to the public, with a suggested donation. More info found on: christianscientific.org. Contact David (snoke@pitt.edu).</p>
<p>Parenting Seminar 2021 Fri 2/5 Evening & Sat 2/6 Morning SAVE-THE-DATE!</p>	<p>Guest speaker: Julie Lowe, counselor and faculty at the Christian Counseling & Educational Foundation. Visit tinyurl.com/JulieLowe to learn more about her. Contact Charis (charis@cityreformed.org).</p>
<p>Volunteer Babysitting: Serve & Connect with Our Church Families!</p>	<p>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED, help care for children as families navigate these challenging times! Please complete: tinyurl.com/CityBABYSIT. PARENTS, Becki is away until 11/2 and will connect babysitters with families upon returning.</p>

<p>Wednesday Morning Prayer @ 8:30AM <i>tinyurl.com/prayCRPC</i></p>	<p>Join others in the church to pray for the needs of our community and world. Please send prayer requests to prayer@cityreformed.org.</p>
<p>Men's Discipleship Committee</p>	<p>MEN who are interested in discipleship through a mentoring relationship, contact Adam (ahs27@pitt.edu).</p>
<p>Caring for Each Other and the Deacon's List</p>	<p>Please update the deacons if you have needs or if you have abilities and resources to share with others. Contact Nik (nik@alum.wustl.edu) or any of the deacons.</p>
<p>Make Connections via Online Media</p>	<p>As the Covid-19 restrictions limit our ability to connect with other people, we need to work harder to develop healthy relationships through alternative means.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To learn more about community groups (CGs) contact Joseph (joseph@cityreformed.org) • To learn about how to connect with other women in the church (including small groups or CGs) contact Sandy (sandy@cityreformed.org) • To learn about men's discipleship programs contact Jim (partridge.je6@gmail.com).
<p>Pastoral Devotionals <i>tinyurl.com/CRPCPastorJoseph</i></p>	<p>Join Pastor Joseph online for encouragement while we are in our homes and away from each other.</p>

Community Groups meet for Bible study, fellowship, and service, and are some of the best opportunities to connect with church life - always open for visitors throughout the year. Please contact Pastor Joseph Bianco (joseph@cityreformed.org) with any questions, and for a listing of current groups, refer to:

- cityreformed.org/community-groups

Specialty Groups meet in particular areas of interest for Bible study, fellowship, and service. For a listing of current groups, please refer to:

- cityreformed.org/prayer--specialty-groups

College Students please refer to campus ministry contacts below:

- CCO at CMU: Nameun Cho (ncho@ccojubilee.org)
- CCO at PPU: Katelyn Spallinger (kvanmeerbeke@ccojubilee.org)
- RUF at Pitt: Derek Bates (dbates@ruf.org), Callie Miller (callie.miller@ruf.org)
- cityreformed.org/collegestudents

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We are glad to have you join us for worship today. If you are new, we would love to meet you! And, if you would like more information about our ministries, resources, and ways to engage, please fill out the visitor's card below or visit our website: cityreformed.org.

Visitor's Card

We would love to get to know you. Please contact us at office@cityreformed.org with the following information.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Date: _____

Prayer Requests

If you have a prayer request, we will pray for you. Please send prayer requests to Pastor Joseph through prayer@cityreformed.org.
