



Sunday Morning Worship
February 7, 2021

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

The mission of the church as God's temple is to shine its lampstand-like light of effective witness into the dark world.

- Greg Beale, *A New Testament Biblical Theology*

About Us

Sunday Morning Worship Service

10:15AM

LIVESTREAM: tinyurl.com/CRPCLive

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Sunday Evening Communion Service

3929 Coleman St., 15207

SUNDAY 2/14 | 4PM, 5PM & 6PM

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Church Office

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Online: Church Center App (Give)
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Mail: Church Office address above "Attn: Allison" (please make checks payable to City Reformed Presbyterian Church)

Worship Service

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Presider: Reverend Nameun Cho

Call to Worship: 1 Peter 2:4-6, 9

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

Leader As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house,

People **To be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.**

Leader For it stands in Scripture: "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious,

People **And whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."**...

Leader But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession,

People **That you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.**

Prayer of Invocation

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

(Words & Music: Martin Luther 1529)

A mighty fortress is our God,
A bulwark never failing;
Our helper he amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe
Doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and power are great,
And armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide,
Our striving would be losing,
Were not the right man on our side,
The man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is he;
Lord Sabbaoth, his name,
From age to age the same,
And he must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled,
Should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed
His truth to triumph through us.
The Prince of Darkness grim,
We tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure,
For lo, his doom is sure;
One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers,
No thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours,
Through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go,
This mortal life also;
The body they may kill;
God's truth abideth still;
His kingdom is forever.

Christ Is Mine Forevermore

(Words & Music: Jonny Robinson & Rich Thompson 2015)

Mine are days that God has numbered
I was made to walk with Him
Yet I look for worldly treasure
And forsake the King of kings

*But mine is hope in my Redeemer
Though I fall His love is sure
For Christ has paid for every failing
I am His forevermore*

Mine are tears in times of sorrow
Darkness not yet understood
Through the valley I must travel
Where I see no earthly good

*But mine is peace that flows from heaven
And the strength in times of need
I know my pain will not be wasted
Christ completes His work in me*

Mine are days here as a stranger
Pilgrim on a narrow way
One with Christ I will encounter
Harm and hatred for His name

*But mine is armour for this battle
Strong enough to last the war
And He has said He will deliver
Safely to the golden shore*

*And mine are keys to Zion city
Where beside the King I walk
For there my heart has found its treasure
Christ is mine forevermore*

Come rejoice now O my soul
For His love is my reward
Fear is gone and hope is sure
Christ is mine forevermore

Call to Confession: Ephesians 2:4-5

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ...

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we pray to you. You dwell in unapproachable light and accomplish all that you want to do. But our lives are lived in clouds of darkness. We do not understand the events happening around us. We don't even understand the desires of our own hearts and the sin that easily entangles. We confess that we are quick to sin and that our faith is weak. We trust Jesus, our savior and Lord, and look to him for our forgiveness. We also trust that you are able to work for our good in all things. This is your promise – help us to believe. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Ephesians 2:19-22

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

Membership Vows: Alex Watt

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).

On Jordan's Stormy Banks

(Words: Samuel Stennett 1787; Music: Christopher Miner 1997)

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand,
And cast a wishful eye
To Canaan's fair and happy land,
Where my possessions lie.

All o'er those wide extended plains,
Shines one eternal day;
There God the Son forever reigns,
And scatters night away.

*I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound for the promised land!
[Repeat]*

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath
Can reach that healthful shore;
Sickness, sorrow, pain and death,
Are felt and feared no more.

When shall I reach that happy place,
And be forever blessed?
When shall I see my Father's face,
And in His bosom rest?

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon: Exodus 40:16-38

90 Days Through the Story of Scripture:

"The Temple in Redemptive History"

- Reverend Matt Koerber

This Moses did; according to all that the LORD commanded him, so he did. ¹⁷In the first month in the second year, on the first day of the month, the tabernacle was erected. ¹⁸Moses erected the tabernacle. He laid its bases, and set up its frames, and put in its poles, and raised up its pillars. ¹⁹And he spread the tent over the tabernacle and put the covering of the tent over it, as the LORD had commanded Moses. ²⁰He took the testimony and put it into the ark, and put the poles on the ark and set the mercy seat above on the ark. ²¹And he brought the ark into the tabernacle and set up the veil of the screen, and screened the ark of the testimony, as the LORD had commanded Moses. ²²He put the table in the tent of meeting, on the north side of the tabernacle, outside the veil, ²³and arranged the bread on it before the LORD, as the LORD had commanded Moses. ²⁴He put the lampstand in the tent of meeting, opposite the table on the south side of the tabernacle, ²⁵and set up the lamps before the LORD, as the LORD had commanded Moses. ²⁶He put the golden altar in the tent of meeting before the veil, ²⁷and burned fragrant incense on it, as the LORD had commanded Moses. ²⁸He put in place the screen for the door of the tabernacle. ²⁹And he set the altar of burnt offering at the entrance of the tabernacle of the tent of meeting, and offered on it the burnt offering and the grain offering, as the LORD had commanded Moses. ³⁰He set the basin between the tent of meeting and the altar, and put water in it for washing, ³¹with which Moses and Aaron and his sons washed their hands and their feet. ³²When they went into the tent of meeting, and when they approached the altar, they

washed, as the LORD commanded Moses. ³³And he erected the court around the tabernacle and the altar, and set up the screen of the gate of the court. So Moses finished the work.

³⁴Then the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle. ³⁵And Moses was not able to enter the tent of meeting because the cloud settled on it, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle. ³⁶Throughout all their journeys, whenever the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle, the people of Israel would set out. ³⁷But if the cloud was not taken up, then they did not set out till the day that it was taken up. ³⁸For the cloud of the LORD was on the tabernacle by day, and fire was in it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel throughout all their journeys.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Additional Scripture

Genesis 2:8-10 / And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there he put the man whom he had formed. And out of the ground the LORD God made to spring up every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life was in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. A river flowed out of Eden to water the garden, and there it divided and became four rivers.

1 Kings 6:1 / In the four hundred and eightieth year after the people of Israel came out of the land of Egypt, in the fourth year of Solomon's reign over Israel, in the month of Ziv, which is the second month, he began to build the house of the LORD.

John 1:14 / And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 2:19-21 / Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking about the temple of his body.

2 Corinthians 6:16-18 / For we are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will make my dwelling among them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Therefore go out from their midst, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch no unclean thing; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be sons and daughters to me, says the Lord Almighty."

Revelation 21:3a, 22-23; 22:1-2 / And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man...And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb... Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

Creedal Response: Westminster Confession of Faith 25.2

The *visible* Church, which is also catholic or universal under the Gospel (though not confined to one nation, as before under the Law), consists of all those throughout the world who profess the true religion, and their children. It is the kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ, the house and family of God, outside of which there is no ordinary possibility of salvation.

Song of Thanksgiving

Please stand for the final song if you are able.

Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart

(Words: George Croly 1854; Music: Daniel Snoko 2020)

Spirit of God descend upon my heart
Wean it from sin through all its pulses move
Stoop to my weakness mighty as Thou art
Make me to love Thee as I ought to love
Spirit of God descend upon my heart

I ask no dream no prophet ecstasies
No sudden rending of the veil of clay
No angel vision no revealing skies
Take now the dimness of my soul away
Spirit of God descend upon my heart

Hast Thou not bid us love Thee God and King
All all Thine own soul heart and strength and mind
I see the cross there teach my heart to cling
O let me seek Thee O and let me find
Spirit of God descend upon my heart

Teach me to feel that Thou art always nigh
Teach me the struggles of the soul to bear
Come check my rising doubt, my rebel sigh
Teach me the patience of unanswered pray'r
Spirit of God descend upon my heart

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Teach me to love Thee as Thine angels love
 One holy passion filling all my frame
 Baptize my life with heav'ns descended Dove
 My heart an altar, and Thy love the flame
 Spirit of God descend upon my heart


Prayer

Announcements

Benediction

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

Life Together

<p>Open Evening Communion Services in GREENFIELD Sun 2/14:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4:00PM • 5:00PM • 6:00PM <p>3929 Coleman St., 15207</p> <p>Church Center App</p> 	<p>In-person service held three times INDOORS at GREENFIELD, with communion served all times. Review instructions for attending at: cityreformed.org/evening-service and the "Safe and Sound" guidelines on p. 12-13.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Register on your Church Center App (go to Events), or online: crpc.churchcenter.com/registrations, to help us keep within capacity limits (45/service) and add additional services if needed. If you need assistance signing up, contact Sol@cityreformed.org - she'd be happy to sign you up! • Before attending, self-assess the health and recent activities of you and your household. • Mandatory MASK policy (all over 2 yrs old). • ***CHECK IN WITH A GREETER IN-PERSON when you arrive.***
<p>Attend Morning Service "In-Person" Sundays @ 10:15AM WT, 5059 Ellsworth, 15213</p>	<p>Register on your Church Center App (go to Events), or online: crpc.churchcenter.com/registrations. Contact Sol@cityreformed.org. ***CHECK IN WITH A GREETER IN-PERSON when you arrive.*** Morning Service Livestream continues indefinitely.</p>

<p>Spring Adult CE: "Parapets, Pigs, & Psoriasis: Reading the OT Law Today" by Dr. Jay Sklar Sun 2/21 @ 7PM Zoom Webinar</p>	<p>We're offering three webinars designed to complement the church's 90-day reading plan. Their aim is to address some of the biggest challenges when reading through the Bible, especially the narrative texts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Parapets, Pigs, & Psoriasis: Reading the OT Law Today" by Dr. Jay Sklar (Covenant Seminary, St. Louis) <i>IN 2 WEEKS!</i> • "Is God a Racist, Genocidal Megolamaniac?: Making Sense of the Conquest Narratives" by Dr. Seulgi Byun • "Luke 24, The Angel of YHWH, and Christophanies: Where is Jesus in the OT?" by Dr. Brad Bitner (Westminster Seminary, Escondido, CA) - <i>Saturday 3/20 @ 10AM</i> Contact Seulgi.byun@gmail.com.
<p>Membership Class Fri 2/19 @ 7-9:30PM & Sat 2/20 @ 9-1PM Both In-Person & Virtual Options Available</p>	<p>Join us at our next class to learn more about the church and/or become a member. Please RSVP on your Church Center App (go to Events) or online: crpc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events. Contact Nameun@cityreformed.org.</p>
<p>90 Days Through the Story of Scripture Through Easter</p>	<p>Start the new year by reading and worshipping through a large section of the Biblical story of "redemptive history" together. Learn more on our website under "Resources" or cityreformed.org/90-days-through-scripture. Hardcopies of the Updated Outline and the February Worship Liturgy are available. If you'd like a hardcopy mailed, please contact Katelyn@cityreformed.org.</p>
<p>Global Missions Prayer Survey: bit.ly/35FHiXk</p>	<p>CRPC Missions Committee is hoping to begin a weekly 30 min Zoom prayer meeting. If you are interested, please complete this survey online: bit.ly/35FHiXk. For more info, contact Abbey Mae (methodam1@gmail.com) or Susan (susan@thealexanders.ws).</p>
<p>OPENING: Missions Committee</p>	<p>Any member of CRPC who has an interest in serving on the Missions Committee, please contact Jim@cityreformed.org.</p>
<p>Agora Forum Mon 2/8 @ 7PM 3929 Coleman St., 15207 OR tinyurl.com/CRPCAgora</p>	<p>Followup discussion to last meeting's documentary, and Dr. David Snoke will present on the question of whether the advance of culture and science is inevitable given adequate resources. Contact Alex (amain8511@gmail.com).</p>

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WCN Virtual Baby Bottle Campaign February	Fill our virtual baby bottle for Women's Choice Network! Donate online to support life giving work in our city: fundeasy.com/m/5090584 Contact Debbie (dpasewark@gmail.com).
NEED: Sound Techs	The Sound Ministry is looking for more technicians to help operate sound at both the Sunday morning and evening worship services. Compensation is included per occurrence and prior experience is preferred. Contact Pat@cityreformed.org.
CRPC Congregational Meeting Sunday 3/14 After Morning Service	We postponed our meeting for 6 weeks past our normal meeting time. We plan to conduct our meeting online and will use the additional time to prepare and communicate about how that will work. We have several new elder/deacon/WMC candidates who will be presented to the congregation as we move closer to our meeting.
Youth Group Mondays @ 7-8PM Weekly on Mondays Zoom	Youth group will combine high school and middle school into one meeting, using content from the church's 90-day reading plan. Contact Ben@cityreformed.org or Becki@cityreformed.org.
Ladies Tuesday Bible Study Tuesdays @ 10-11:15AM Zoom	Ladies, join us Tuesday mornings as we discuss and pray through the Tuesday Daily Bible Reading from CRPC's <i>90 Days Through the Story of Scripture</i> . Contact Tracy (partridge.ta@gmail.com).
Women's Virtual Bible Study: "Jude" Every Other Friday @ 7:45-9:15PM	"Jude: Contending for the Faith in Today's Culture" by Jackie Hill Perry. Every other Friday, starting 1/22. Contact Rachael (raleuen@gmail.com).
Bethany Food Bank and Master's Kitchen Service Thurs @ 9AM - 1PM or 4 - 6PM Fri @ 12 - 1PM	Volunteer to help transport and package food with Bethany Community Ministries. Contact Donna at Bethany: 412.251.1227 or any of the Deacons@cityreformed.org.
Men's Discipleship Committee	MEN who are interested in discipleship through a mentoring relationship, contact Adam (ahs27@pitt.edu).
Volunteer Babysitting: Serve & Connect with Our Church Families!	VOLUNTEERS NEEDED, help care for children as families navigate these challenging times! Please complete: tinyurl.com/CityBABYSIT . Contact Becki@cityreformed.org.
Caring for Each Other and the Deacon's List	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.

Make Connections via Online Media

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.

- 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 Adam at mdc@cityreformed.org.

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

Welcome to City Reformed Presbyterian Church

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.
