

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

"Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst."

-John 6:35

About Us

Sunday Morning Worship Service

10:15AM Winchester Thurston Auditorium 5059 Ellsworth Ave Pittsburgh PA, 15213

LIVESTREAM: tinyurl.com/CRPClive

Sunday Evening Service

5:30PM Greenfield Chapel 3929 Coleman Street Pittsburgh PA, 15207

Church Office

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Church Center App:



Donations

Online: Church Center App (Give)
OR cityreformed.org/give
Mail: Church Office address above "Attn:
Bookkeeper" (please make checks
payable to City Reformed Presbyterian
Church)

Communion Service

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Easter Sunday Morning Worship – May 1, 2022

Presider: Elder Jim Partridge

Call to Worship: Isaiah 55:1-3

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;
- People And I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.

Prayer of Invocation

Psalm 104 | Rejoice in All Your Works

(Words & Music: Wendell Kimbrough 2014)

Every mouth that cries for food,
Every lung that yearns for breath,
Every eye that searches through the dark for light—
All creation looks to you
For its breath and for its food.
From the goodness of your hand we're satisfied.

Oh rejoice in all your works,
King of Heaven, King of Earth!
Every creature you have made declares your praise.
We rejoice in all you've made,
God of all-sustaining grace!
With the mountain, sky, and sea, we sing your praise!

Every tree that thirsts for rain,
Every bird that seeks its nest,
Every heart that waits in hope to be made glad—
All creation looks to you
For its breath and for its food.
From the goodness of your hand we're satisfied

May the pond'rings of my heart, And the song upon my lips, With the chorus of creation join in praise: To the God who made all things, To the Spirit who sustains, To the Son who over all creation reigns!

Psalm 34 | Taste and See

(Words & Music: Joe Rigney & Shane Barnard 2015)
I sought the Lord and He answered me
And delivered me from ev'ry fear
Those who look on Him are radiant
They'll never be ashamed
They'll never be ashamed

This poor man cried and the Lord heard me And saved me from my enemies The Son of God surrounds His saints He will deliver them (2x) Magnify the Lord with me Come exalt His name together Glorify the Lord with me Come exalt His name forever

O taste and see that the Lord is good O blessed is he who hides in Him O fear the Lord O all you saints He'll give you ev'rything He'll give you ev'rything

Let us bless the Lord Ev'ry day and night Never ending praise May our incense rise

Call to Confession: 1 Corinthians 5:8-10

Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Let us therefore celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Prayer of Confession:

Father, we hunger for many things. We bring our needs to you and trust you to provide the bread we need each day. Calm our fears, protect us from evil, strengthen us in doubt, relieve our burdens, heal our diseases. But as we receive these gifts from you, help us to see you more clearly. May we desire not only to receive your gifts, but to know the giver. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: 1 Peter 1:18-19

You were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.

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).

Rock of Ages

(Words: Augustus Toplady 1776 Music: Thomas Hastings 1853)

Rock of Ages cleft for me
Let me hide myself in thee
Let the water and the blood
From thy wounded side which flowed
Be of sin the double cure
Save from wrath and make me pure

Not the labors of my hands Can fulfill thy law's demands Could my zeal no respite know Could my tears forever flow All for sin could not atone Thou must save and thou alone

Nothing in my hand I bring Simply to the cross I cling Naked come to thee for dress Helpless look to thee for grace Foul I to the fountain fly Wash me Savior or I die

While I draw this fleeting breath
When mine eyes shall close in death
When I soar to worlds unknown
See thee on thy judgment throne
Rock of Ages cleft for me
Let me hide myself in thee

Pastoral Prayer

At this time, children ages 4-7 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.

Sermon: 1 Corinthians 10:14-22

Elements of Worship

"Covenant and Communion: A Participation in Christ"

- Reverend Matt Koerber

Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry. ¹⁵I speak as to sensible people; judge for yourselves what I say. ¹⁶The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? ¹⁷Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread. ¹⁸Consider the people of Israel: are not those who eat the sacrifices participants in the altar? ¹⁹What do I imply then? That food offered to idols is anything, or that an idol is anything? ²⁰No, I imply that what pagans sacrifice they offer to demons and not to God. I do not want you to be participants with demons. ²¹You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons. You cannot partake of the table of the Lord and the table of demons. ²²Shall we provoke the Lord to jealousy? Are we stronger than he?

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God

Additional Scripture

Luke 22:14-20/ And when the hour came, he reclined at table, and the apostles with him. And he said to them, "I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. For I tell you I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he said, "Take this, and divide it among yourselves. For I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.

1 Corinthians 11:23-32 / For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself. That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have died. But if we judged ourselves truly, we would not be judged. But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world

Additional Catechism

Westminster Shorter Catechism.92 / Q. What is a sacrament? A. A sacrament is a holy ordinance instituted by Christ in which, by perceivable signs, Christ and the benefits of the New Covenant are represented, sealed, and applied to believers.

Westminster Shorter Catechism 93 / Q. Which are the sacraments of the New Testament? A. The sacraments of the New Testament are baptism and the Lord's supper.

Westminster Shorter Catechism 96 / Q. What is the Lord's supper? A. The Lord's supper is a sacrament in which, by giving and receiving of bread and wine according to Christ's command, his death is shown forth. Worthy receivers are made partakers of his body and blood by faith, not in a bodily or physical manner, to their spiritual nourishment and growth in grace, with all his benefits.

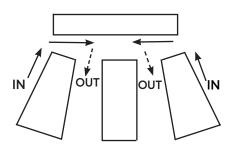
Westminster Shorter Catechism 97 / Q. What is required for receiving the Lord's supper in a worthy manner? A. Those who would partake of the Lord's supper in a worthy manner are required to examine themselves to be aware of their knowledge to discern the Lord's body, of their faith to feed on him, and of their repentance, love, and new obedience. They do this so that they do not eat and drink judgment to themselves by coming unworthily

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Communion

City Reformed Church invites all baptized Christians who are willing to forsake their sins and trust Christ alone for salvation, and who are members of congregations which proclaim the gospel, to receive Holy Communion with us. Parents with non-communing children are encouraged to bring their children forward during communion. The elders will lay a hand on their head and briefly pray for them as they serve you.

Communion is served with wine and with grape juice. The wine is placed in the two outer circles of the communion tray, and the grape juice is placed in the inner circle. Because Jesus used wine during the first communion service, we believe using real wine is beneficial. However, participants are welcome to choose.



There is also gluten-free bread available on each plate.

Please join us in song as we celebrate Christ dwelling with his church in the sacrament of communion.

Songs of Thanksgiving

Jesus I Come

(Words: William Sleeper 1887 Music: Greg Thompson 2000)

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come. Into Thy freedom, gladness, and light Jesus, I come to Thee, Out of my sickness into Thy health, Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth, Out of my sin and into Thyself, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come. Into the glorious gain of Thy cross, Jesus, I come to Thee. Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm, Out of life's storms and into Thy calm, Out of distress into jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come. Into Thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to Thee. Out of myself to dwell in Thy love, Out of despair into raptures above, Upward forever on wings like a dove, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come. Into the joy and light of Thy home, Jesus, I come to Thee. Out of the depths of ruin untold, Into the peace of Thy sheltering fold, Ever Thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Wonderful Merciful Savior

(Words & Music: Dawn Rodgers & Eric Wyse 1989)

Wonderful merciful Savior
Precious Redeemer and Friend
Who would have thought that a Lamb could
Rescue the souls of men
Oh, You rescue the souls of men

You are the One that we praise You are the One we adore You give the healing and grace our Hearts always hunger for Oh, our hearts always hunger for

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Counselor, Comforter, Keeper Spirit we long to embrace You offer hope when our hearts have Hopelessly lost their way Oh we hopelessly lost the way

Almighty, infinite, Father,
Faithfully loving Your own
Here in our weakness You find us
Falling before Your throne
Oh, we're falling before Your throne

Jesus Messiah

(Words & Music: Daniel Carson, Ed Cash, Jesse Reeves, and Chris Tomlin 2008)

He became sin who knew no sin That we might become His righteousness He humbled Himself and carried the cross Love so amazing love so amazing

Jesus Messiah Name above all names Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel The Rescue for sinners The Ransom from heaven Jesus Messiah Lord of all

His body the bread, His blood the wine Broken and poured out all for love The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn Love so amazing love so amazing

All our hope is in You All our hope is in You All the glory to You God The Light of the world

Doxology

(Words: Thomas Ken 1674 Music: Louis Bourgeois 1510)

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Prayer

Announcements

Benediction

Tonight's Worship Service: Reverend John McCombs will be preaching on 1 Corinthians 1:17-31.

Upcoming Events

www.cityreformed.org/events

Roses	Celebrating the birth of Abigail Charlotte Westman to Hannah and Eric Westman on April 18th, and Conner Spiri Clause to Catherine and Damon Claus on April 18th.
Easter Breakfast Reflections	We had a time of reflection during the Easter breakfast. Reflections on the past two years will be collected and compiled into a booklet. Contact Nameun@cityreformed.org if you would like to submit a reflection.
North African Outreach and Ministry Night May 15th @ 5:30- 7:30PM Greenfield Chapel	City Reformed has members on the ground in North Africa (Jon and Beka), and will have two more couples moving there in the next year or two (Andrew and Amy, Jon and Vicky). What is the context there and how can CRPC members here be best supporting our brothers and sisters? Come hear and ask questions at an evening of worship, teaching, fellowship and prayer, featuring a veteran worker who has worked in North Africa for years. Refreshments provided! Come learn and support this movement among us! If you have questions, contact Jim Partridge at jim@cityreformed.org
VBS Volunteer and Children Registration Open July 25-29	Join us for VBS this summer! Monumental: Celebrating God's Greatness VBS will be July 25-29. We are currently recruiting for adult & youth (rising 6th-12th graders) volunteer and child registration. Contact Debbie Bacon vbs@cityreformed.org if you'd like to help with any of the preparation or if you have any questions. Register at: https://tinyurl.com/RegisterVBS2022

Global Mission Prayer Mondays @9PM Zoom https://tinyurl.com/ crpcglobalprayer	The Missions Committee would like to invite you to join our church in prayer for our mission partners on Monday evenings at 9PM. We hope this new time will allow more people to join us in prayer. We will be praying for Donnie and Kara in West Africa.
Wednesday Prayer Meetings Wednesdays 8:30- 9:30 AM	Join our staff as they pray for our church. Wedensday weekly prayer is held on Zoom at: https://tinyurl.com/crpcwednesdayprayer
New Women's Bible Study Thursdays, 6-7:30PM Zoom	Cathy Taylor is leading a study titled Senior Saints: Growing Older in God's Family. Contact Cathy Taylor at Lawyerdad5@aol.com for more information

Groups

College Students please refer to campus ministry contacts below:

- CCO at CMU: Nameun Cho (ncho@ccojubilee.org)
- CCO at PPU: Katelyn Spallinger (kspallinger@ccojubilee.org)
- RUF at Pitt: Callie Miller (callie.miller@ruf.org)
- · cityreformed.org/collegestudents

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

- Agora Forum- Alex Main (amain8511@gmail.com)
- Men's New Hope (Joseph@cityreformed.org)
- Mommies' Group (Sandy@cityreformed.org)
- Wednesday Morning Prayer (Zachary@cityreformed.org)
- Men's Discipleship Committee (mdc@cityreformed.org)- MENTORS NEEDED!
- Young Adult Women's Fellowship (Katelyn@cityreformed.org)

Community Groups

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:

www.cityreformed.org/community-groups

Sunday

Fox Chapel*- Watson Barker North Hills**- David Bacon

Tuesday

Northside- Joe Benscoter & Nathan Schartner Morningside*- Jeff Winkler West Wills*- Jonathan Dodd

Wednesday

Near East Suburban- Jim Partridge Regent Square- David Snoke Baldwin/Greenfield*- Joseph Bianco East Suburban- Joe Stehle

Thursday

Greenfield/North Oakland- Ben Chidester Forest Hills*- Adam Schwab

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

^{*}Childcare provided

^{**} Kid's play area available