



Sunday Morning Worship  
July 17, 2022

# 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](mailto:office@cityreformed.org) or visit our website: [cityreformed.org](http://cityreformed.org).

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## Reflections

"In any relationship, there will be frightening spells in which your feelings of love dry up. And when that happens you must remember that the essence of marriage is that it is a covenant, a commitment, a promise of future love. So what do you do? You do the acts of love, despite your lack of feeling. You may not feel tender, sympathetic, and eager to please, but in your actions you must BE tender, understanding, forgiving and helpful. And, if you do that, as time goes on you will not only get through the dry spells, but they will become less frequent and deep, and you will become more constant in your feelings. This is what can happen if you decide to love."

– Timothy Keller, *The Meaning of Marriage: Facing the Complexities of Commitment with the Wisdom of God*

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## About Us

### Sunday Morning Worship Service

10:15AM  
Winchester Thurston Auditorium  
5059 Ellsworth Ave  
Pittsburgh PA, 15213  
LIVESTREAM: [tinyurl.com/CRPCLive](http://tinyurl.com/CRPCLive)

### Sunday Evening Service

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

### Church Office

3929 Coleman St.  
Pittsburgh, PA 15207  
412-720-7014  
[office@cityreformed.org](mailto:office@cityreformed.org)  
[cityreformed.org](http://cityreformed.org)

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# Morning Worship Service

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Sunday Morning Worship – July 17, 2022  
Presider: Reverend Joseph Bianco

## Call to Worship: Psalm 85:8-13

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

Leader Let me hear what God the Lord will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to folly

People Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land.

Leader Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.

People Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky.

Leader Yes, the Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

People Righteousness will go before him and make his footsteps a way.

## Prayer of Invocation

## O The Deep Deep Love of Jesus

(Words: Samuel T. Francis 1800's Music: Thomas J. Williams 1890)

O the deep, deep love of Jesus,  
Vast, unmeasured, boundless free.  
Rolling as a mighty ocean  
In its fullness over me.  
Underneath me, all around me,  
Is the current of Thy love.  
Leading onward, leading homeward,  
To thy glorious rest above.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus,  
Spread His praise from shore to shore.  
How He loveth, ever loveth,  
Changeth never, never more.  
How he watches o'er his loved ones,  
Died to call them all his own.  
How for them he intercedeth,  
Watcheth o'er them from the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus,  
Love of every love the best.  
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing,  
'Tis a haven sweet of rest.  
O the deep, deep love of Jesus,  
'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me.  
And it lifts me up to glory,  
For it lifts me up to thee.

**Scripture Reading:** Psalm 85:4-7

## Psalm 85 | Speak Peace

(Words & Music: Daniel Snoke & Paul Zach 2019)

Speak peace to your people  
Speak peace to your saints  
Speak peace to your people  
Speak peace to all the earth

Surely his salvation is at hand  
Unfailing love and truth have met  
Righteousness will cover all the earth  
And his glory will fill the land

Lord revive your joy in us again  
And let us hear what you will say  
Will your anger always be on us  
Will you not restore us again

You have covered all our sin  
We have been restored again  
Show us your unfailing love  
Grant us salvation

## Fairest Lord Jesus

(Words: Unknown Music: Silesian Folk Melody)

Fairest Lord Jesus Ruler of all nature  
O Thou of God and man the Son  
Thee will I cherish Thee will I honor  
Thou my soul's glory joy and crown

Fair is the sunshine fairer still the moonlight  
And all the twinkling starry host  
Jesus shines brighter Jesus shines purer  
Than all the angels heav'n can boast

Beautiful Saviour Lord of all the nations  
Son of God and Son of Man  
Glory and honor praise adoration  
Now and forevermore be Thin

## Call to Confession: Matthew 5:29-30

If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body go into hell.

## Prayer of Confession:

Father, we confess to you that you have given us blessing after blessing, but we have abused your blessings and taken them for granted. You created us in your image, but we have dulled that image by rebellion against you. You made us lords and caretakers over your creation, but we have neglected that creation and destroyed parts of it for our own short term desires. You gave us marriage and relationships so that we would not be alone, but we have distorted our sexuality and broken our vows with others and have lost that sense of true intimacy which flows from your love. You gave us good works to do, but we have become lazy and self indulgent.

Father, we thank you that we can come to you empty handed, knowing that by your grace in Jesus Christ we can be wholly accepted and good in your sight, not by any merit of our own, but by the merit of his life in us. Grant that we may be ever more transformed to your image, to live our lives in obedience to your calling, and to love others as you have.

## Silent Confession

### Assurance of Pardon: Matthew 6:12-15

and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

## Corporate Prayer

## Song of Renewal

We consider tithes & offering as an act of worship within the corporate family of Christ. Please use offering bags or direct giving online or via mail ([cityreformed.org/give](http://cityreformed.org/give); 3929 Coleman St., 15207).

# Psalm 51 | God Be Merciful To Me

(Words: Richard Redhead 1912 Music: Christopher Miner 1997)

God, be merciful to me,  
On Thy grace I rest my plea;  
Plenteous in compassion Thou,  
Blot out my transgressions now;  
Wash me, make me pure within,  
Cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

My transgressions I confess,  
Grief and guilt my soul oppress;  
I have sinned against Thy grace  
And provoked Thee to Thy face;  
I confess Thy judgment just.  
Speechless, I Thy mercy trust.

I am evil, born in sin;  
Thou desirest truth within.  
Thou alone my Savior art,  
Teach Thy wisdom to my heart;  
Make me pure, Thy grace bestow,  
Wash me whiter than the snow.

Broken, humbled to the dust  
By Thy wrath and judgment just,  
Let my contrite heart rejoice  
And in gladness hear Thy voice;  
From my sins O hide Thy face,  
Blot them out in boundless grace.

Gracious God, my heart renew,  
Make my spirit right and true.  
Cast me not away from Thee,  
Let Thy Spirit dwell in me;  
Thy salvation's joy impart,  
Steadfast make my willing heart.

Sinners then shall learn from me,  
And return, O God, to Thee.  
Savior, all my guilt remove,  
And my tongue shall sing Thy love.  
Touch my silent lips, O Lord,  
And my mouth shall praise accord.



# 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: Matthew 19:1-12

"The Eunuch and the Divorced Man"

- Reverend Joseph Bianco

**N**ow when Jesus had finished these sayings, he went away from Galilee and entered the region of Judea beyond the Jordan. <sup>2</sup>And large crowds followed him, and he healed them there.

<sup>3</sup>And Pharisees came up to him and tested him by asking, "Is it lawful to divorce one's wife for any cause?" <sup>4</sup>He answered, "Have you not read that he who created them from the beginning made them male and female, <sup>5</sup>and said, 'Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh'? <sup>6</sup>So they are no longer two but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate." <sup>7</sup>They said to him, "Why then did Moses command one to give a certificate of divorce and to send her away?" <sup>8</sup>He said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart Moses allowed you to divorce your wives, but from the beginning it was not so. <sup>9</sup>And I say to you: whoever divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another, commits adultery."



## Additional Scripture

Genesis 2:23-24 / Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man." Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

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Matthew 5:27-28, 31-32/ "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart. "It was also said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' But I say to you that everyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of sexual immorality, makes her commit adultery, and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

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Romans 7:2-3 / For a married woman is bound by law to her husband while he lives, but if her husband dies she is released from the law of marriage. Accordingly, she will be called an adulteress if she lives with another man while her husband is alive. But if her husband dies, she is free from that law, and if she marries another man she is not an adulteress.

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1 Corinthians 7:15,39 / But if the unbelieving partner separates, let it be so. In such cases the brother or sister is not enslaved. God has called you to peace... A wife is bound to her husband as long as he lives. But if her husband dies, she is free to be married to whom she wishes, only in the Lord.

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1 Corinthians 7:6-11 / Now as a concession, not a command, I say this. I wish that all were as I myself am. But each has his own gift from God, one of one kind and one of another. To the unmarried and the widows I say that it is good for them to remain single, as I am. But if they cannot exercise self-control, they should marry. For it is better to marry than to burn with passion. To the married I give this charge (not I, but the Lord): the wife should not separate from her husband (but if she does, she should remain unmarried or else be reconciled to her husband), and the husband should not divorce his wife.

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## Credal Response: Westminster Larger Catechism 138

The duties required in the seventh commandment are the following: • chastity in body, mind, affections, words, and behavior; • the preservation of chastity in ourselves and others; • watchfulness over our eyes and all the senses; • temperance and keeping of chaste company; • modesty in apparel; • marriage by those who do not have the gift of abstinence, with conjugal love and cohabitation; • diligent labor in our callings; • and shunning all occasions of uncleanness and resisting temptations to it.

## Songs of Thanksgiving

### Satisfied

(Words: Clara T. Williams 1875 Music: Karl Digerness 1997 Arranged: Daniel Snoko 2010)

All my life long I had panted  
For a drink from some clear spring,  
That I hoped would quench the burning  
Of the thirst I felt within.

Hallelujah! He has found me.  
The one my soul so long has craved!  
Jesus satisfies all my longings,  
Through His blood I now am saved.

Feeding on the filth around me,  
Till my strength was almost gone,  
Longed my soul for something better,  
Only still to hunger on.

Poor I was, and sought for riches,  
Something that would satisfy,  
But the dust I gathered round me  
Only mocked my soul's sad cry.

Well of water, ever springing,  
Bread of life so rich and free,  
Untold wealth that never faileth,  
My Redeemer is to me.

## We Will Feast in the House of Zion

(Words & Music: Sandra McCracken 2015)

We will feast in the house of Zion  
We will sing with our hearts restored  
He has done great things we will say together  
We will feast and weep no more

We will not be burned by the fire  
He is the Lord our God  
We are not consumed by the flood  
Upheld protected gathered up

In the dark of night before the dawn  
My soul be not afraid  
For the promised morning oh how long?  
Oh God of Jacob be my strength

Every vow we've broken and betrayed  
You are the Faithful one  
And from the garden to the grave  
Bind us together bring shalom

## Prayer

## Announcements

## Benediction

Tonight's Worship Service: Elder Jim Partridge will be preaching on 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 "The Priority of Love in Church Life" Grill the preacher— an extended time of Q&A with the preacher— will take place after the service.

## Upcoming Events

[www.cityreformed.org/events](http://www.cityreformed.org/events)

Photo Booth June 5th	We will have an opportunity to take family photos to update the church directory. No signups necessary, just come ready to take a photo today, directly after service. Contact Zachary for more information (zachary@cityreformed.org.)
Christian Scientific Society Conference June 11th, University of Pittsburgh	This year's annual conference of the Christian Scientific Society will focus on the topic "What Have We Learned From COVID?". In-person and zoom options available. Advanced registration is required. Register at: <a href="https://www.christianscientific.org/2022-june-meeting-registration/">https://www.christianscientific.org/2022-june-meeting-registration/</a> Contact Dave Snoke (snoke@pitt.edu)
Summer RUF! Every Wed, beginning June 1st 3334 Dawson Street	Dinner at 6pm, Study at 7. All college students, recent HS grads, and recent college grads welcome. Questions? callie.miller@ruf.org
Young Adult Women's Fellowship: Clothing/Book Swap! Saturday, June 25th from 10a-12p at the Greenfield building (3929 Coleman St.).	We will collect items at church on June 12th and 19th (AM and PM service) and lay them out on the day of the swap. Everything will be free! You can also contact Katelyn Spallinger (katelyn@cityreformed.org) or Emily Deemer (e.l.deemer@gmail.com) to arrange a drop off at either of our homes before June 25th. Anything not taken, can either be taken back home, or will be donated. We kindly ask that you limit your donations to 15 items or less. Contact Katelyn@cityreformed.org.
Men's Camping Trip July 8-9 Five Points Camp Ground Moraine State Park	Mark your calendars and plan to bring your sons! More details to follow. We have a reserved cabin nearby for those unable to tent-camp. Lots of food, outdoor activities and devotions together. Join us! Contact Jim Partridge at jim@cityreformed.org "

## Volunteer Needs

Summer Youth Missions Trip Adult Leaders July 11-15	Our youth will be participating in a missions trip to support Mosaic Community Church in Jeannette, PA. We are looking for adult volunteers to assist with the trip. Contact zachary@cityreformed.org for more information.
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## Featured Specialty Group

Board Game Gatherings Greenfield Chapel	We will be reviving our monthly board game gatherings from 7-9PM on the first Monday of each month. Come join us at the Greenfield Chapel for games and fellowship!
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# Regular Events

[www.cityreformed.org/events](http://www.cityreformed.org/events)

<p>Wednesday Prayer Meetings 8:30-9:30 AM</p>	<p>Join our staff as they pray for our church. Wednesday weekly prayer is held on Zoom at: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/crpcwednesdayprayer">https://tinyurl.com/crpcwednesdayprayer</a></p>
<p>Global Mission Prayer Mondays @9PM</p>	<p>Join our church in prayer for our mission partners We will be praying for Jeff and Jamie and their ministry in South Asia Zoom link: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/crpcglobalprayer">https://tinyurl.com/crpcglobalprayer</a></p>
<p>Grace and Truth for Moms Summer Study Every other Tues night from 6/14-8/9 from 7:30-9pm Greenfield Chapel: 3929 Coleman Street</p>	<p>We want you to get to the root of difficult emotions and interactions in parenting, so you can be set free by the grace and truth God has for you. Join us this summer for a study co-lead by Amanda Moore and Rachael Leuenberger at the Greenfield Building. There is a \$10 cost which gives you lifetime access to the course videos and handouts. Please sign up using this link: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/CRPCSummerstudy22">tinyurl.com/CRPCSummerstudy22</a></p>
<p>Young Adult Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>Every other Wednesday night, beginning on 6/8, from 7-8:30pm at Katelyn Spallinger's Home (1815 Sarah Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15203). Join us for an 8 session summer study of Proverbs! Contact Katelyn (<a href="mailto:katelyn@cityreformed.org">katelyn@cityreformed.org</a>).</p>
<p>Agora Forum Mon 6/6/22 @ 7PM 3929 Coleman St., 15207</p>	<p>We will be starting a new series on economics. Dave Snoke will be asking the question "What (if anything) does the Bible say about economics?" Contact Alex (<a href="mailto:amain8511@gmail.com">amain8511@gmail.com</a>).</p>

# Groups

<p><b>College Students</b> please refer to campus ministry contacts below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CCO at CMU: Nameun Cho (<a href="mailto:ncho@ccojubilee.org">ncho@ccojubilee.org</a>)</li> <li>• CCO at PPU: Katelyn Spallinger (<a href="mailto:kspallinger@ccojubilee.org">kspallinger@ccojubilee.org</a>)</li> <li>• RUF at Pitt: Callie Miller (<a href="mailto:callie.miller@ruf.org">callie.miller@ruf.org</a>)</li> <li>• <a href="http://cityreformed.org/collegestudents">cityreformed.org/collegestudents</a></li> </ul>
<p><b>Specialty Groups</b> meet in particular areas of interest for Bible study, fellowship, learning, and service.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agora Forum- Alex Main (<a href="mailto:amain8511@gmail.com">amain8511@gmail.com</a>)</li> <li>• Men's New Hope (<a href="mailto:Joseph@cityreformed.org">Joseph@cityreformed.org</a>)</li> <li>• Mommies' Group (<a href="mailto:Sandy@cityreformed.org">Sandy@cityreformed.org</a>)</li> <li>• Wednesday Morning Prayer (<a href="mailto:Zachary@cityreformed.org">Zachary@cityreformed.org</a>)</li> <li>• Men's Discipleship Committee (<a href="mailto:mdc@cityreformed.org">mdc@cityreformed.org</a>)</li> <li>• Young Adult Women's Fellowship (<a href="mailto:Katelyn@cityreformed.org">Katelyn@cityreformed.org</a>)</li> <li>• Informal frisbee</li> <li>• Board Game Gatherings</li> </ul>

# 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](http://www.cityreformed.org/community-groups)

## Sunday

Fox Chapel\*- Watson Barker

North Hills\*\*- David Bacon

## Tuesday

Northside- Joe Benscoter & Nathan Schartner

Morningside\*- Jeff Winkler

West Hills\*- Jonathan Dodd

## Wednesday

Near East Suburban- Jim Partridge

Regent Square- David Snoke

Baldwin/Greenfield\*- Joseph Bianco

East Suburban- Joe Stehle

## Thursday

Shadyside - Ben Chidester

Forest Hills\*- Adam Schwab

\*Childcare provided

\*\* Kid's play area available

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