



Sunday Morning Worship
August 23, 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

There's a storm coming, Mr. Wayne. You and your friends better batten down the hatches.

- Catwoman, "The Dark Knight Rises" (2012)

About Us

Sunday Morning Worship Service

10:15AM [LIVESTREAM]

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Sunday Evening Worship Service

SUNDAY 8/30 | 5-5:35 PM & 6-6:35PM

Winchester Thurston Parking Lot

5059 Ellsworth Ave.

Pittsburgh, PA 15213

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Worship Service

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Sunday Morning Worship – August 23, 2020
Presider: Reverend Nameun Cho

Call to Worship: Psalm 96:8-13

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

Leader Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts!

People **Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth!**

Leader Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns!

People **Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity."**

Leader Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it;

People **Let the field exult, and everything in it!**

Leader Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy before the LORD, for he comes, for he comes to judge the earth.

People **He will judge the world in righteousness, and the peoples in his faithfulness.**

Prayer of Invocation

All Creatures of Our God and King

(Words: St. Francis of Assisi 1225; Music: Lasst Uns Erfreun 16-1900s)

All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise Him, O praise Him,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along,
O praise Him, Alleluia!
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,
Ye lights of evening, find a voice,
O praise Him, O praise Him,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
Make music for thy Lord to hear,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thou fire so masterful and bright,
That givest us both warmth and light,
O praise Him, O praise Him,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

And all ye souls of tender heart,
Forgiving others, take your part,
O sing ye, Alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
Praise God, and on Him cast your care,
O praise Him, O praise Him,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,
And worship Him in humbleness,
O praise Him, Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, three in one,
O praise Him, O praise Him,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Psalm 82 | The Hand of God

(Words & Music: Wendell Kimbrough 2017)

The hand of God gave you pow'r to reign
So that you might stand for the weak
He made you judge so the fatherless
And the poor could rest in your strength
But you have left them in darkness
And the earth's foundations shake

*How long O Lord before your justice reigns
Rise up O Lord for you the nations wait*

Call to Confession: Romans 5:8

God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Prayer of Confession

Father, we come to you in prayer remembering that you have made peace in Jesus Christ. When we were your enemies you sent Jesus to die for our sins. You have taken away the hostility of sin and brought us near to you by your Spirit.

And yet we are still surrounded by sin. Our world is in conflict. Spiritual powers war against your church. Even in our own hearts there is a war between sin and holiness.

We pray that we would never make peace with sin, but that we would struggle after godliness. We pray that your Spirit would work in power among us. Cause your gospel to prosper and bring down the barriers of opposition to Christ. We pray that you would have increased victory even in our own hearts as you make us more and more like Jesus. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Romans 5:9-10

Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

Membership Vows: Lindsay Karr

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).*

Come Ye Souls by Sin Afflicted

(Words: Joseph Swain 1785; Music: Kevin Twit 2013)

Come ye souls by sin afflicted
Bowed with fruitless sorrow down
By the broken law convicted
Through the cross behold the crown
Look to Jesus (3x)
Mercy flows through Him alone

Take His easy yoke and wear it;
Love will make your obedience sweet
Christ will give you strength to bear it
While His grace shall guide your feet
Safe to glory (3x)
Where His ransomed captives meet

Blessèd are the eyes that see Him
Blest the ears that hear His voice
Blessèd are the souls that trust Him
And in Him alone rejoice
His commandments (3x)
Then become their happy choice

Sweet as home to pilgrims weary
Light to newly opened eyes
Like full springs in deserts dreary
Is the rest the cross supplies
All who taste it (3x)
Shall to rest immortal rise

Look to Jesus (3x)
Mercy flows through Him alone

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon: Matthew 11:16-30

"Coming Judgment" - Reverend Matt Koerber

"But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to their playmates, ¹⁷'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.'¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon.'¹⁹The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds."

²⁰Then he began to denounce the cities where most of his mighty works had been done, because they did not repent.

²¹"Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. ²²But I tell you, it will be more bearable on the day of judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. ²³And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You will be brought down to Hades. For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. ²⁴But I tell you that it will be more tolerable on the day of judgment for the land of Sodom than for you."

²⁵At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will

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give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Additional Scripture

Matthew 3:5-6 / Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region about the Jordan were going out to him, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

Acts 17:30-31 / "The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

1 Thessalonians 1:9-10 / You turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

1 Peter 4:17 / For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God?

Revelation 20:11-12 / Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. From his presence earth and sky fled away, and no place was found for them. And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Then another book was opened, which is the book of life. And the dead were judged by what was written in the books, according to what they had done.

Credal Response: Apostle's 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

Songs of Thanksgiving

Please stand for the final songs if you are able.

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

(Words: John Newton 1774; Music: Laura Taylor 2001)

Let us love and sing and wonder,
Let us praise the Savior's name,
He has hushed the law's loud thunder,
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame,
He has washed us with his blood (3x),
He has bought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord who brought us,
Pitied us when enemies.
Called us by his grace and taught us
Gave us ears and gave us eyes.
He has washed us with his blood (3x),
He presents our souls to God.

Let us sing though fierce temptations
Threaten hard to bear us down.
For the Lord our strong salvation
Holds in view the conqueror's crown
He who washed us with his blood (3x),
Soon will bring us home to God.

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Let us wonder grace and justice
Join and point to mercy's store.
When through grace in Christ our trust is
Justice smiles and asks no more.
He who washed us with his blood (3x),
Has secured our way to God.

Let us praise and join the chorus
Of the saints enthroned on high.
Here they trusted him before us
Now their praises fill the sky.
You have washed us with your blood (3x),
You are worthy, Lamb of God

Glorify Thy Name

(Words & Music: Donna Adkins 1976)

Father we love You
We worship and adore You
Glorify Thy name in all the earth
Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name
Glorify Thy name in all the earth

Jesus we love You
We worship and adore You
Glorify Thy name in all the earth
Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name
Glorify Thy name in all the earth

Spirit we love You
We worship and adore You
Glorify Thy name in all the earth
Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name
Glorify Thy name in all the earth

Prayer

Announcements

Benediction

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

Life Together

Additional detail can be found on: cityreformed.org/events.

Morning Service Increased "In-Person" Attendance Sundays @ 10:15 AM Winchester Thurston, 5059 Ellsworth Ave, 15213	There are plenty of spots—don't hesitate to sign up! Sign up through Planning Center Services - My Schedule - Signup Sheets - Morning Service. For help with signing up, contact Sol@cityreformed.org . Livestream continues indefinitely.
"Open" Evening Services Sun 8/30 @ 5 PM & 6 PM WT Parking Lot, 5059 Ellsworth Ave, 15213	5-5:35 PM & 6-6:35 PM. Outdoor , socially distanced, in-person held twice, with communion served both times. Please review instructions for attending at: cityreformed.org/open-service .
Agora Forum Mon 8/24 @ 7PM <i>Outdoor field across from the Snoke's</i>	New series regarding thinking as a Christian about money, starting off with: "Does Christianity support capitalism, socialism, or something else?" Contact Kathryn (klclaudy@gmail.com).
Wednesday Morning Prayer @ 8:30AM tinyurl.com/CRPCpray	We invite you to join others in the church to pray for the needs of our community and world. Feel free to send prayer requests to prayer@cityreformed.org .
Regent Square CG Picnic Wed 8/26 @ 6:30PM <i>Outdoor field across from the Snoke's</i>	If you are looking for a community group, or are interested in learning more about CGs, please join us! All you need to bring is a chair or blanket. Contact Irene (renew77@gmail.com) or Dave (snoke@pitt.edu).
Membership Class Fri 9/18 @ 7-9:30PM & Sat 9/19 @ 9-1PM	Learn more about our church! Location on Friday TBD; Saturday over Zoom. Contact Pastor Nameun (nameun@cityreformed.org). Sign up ahead of time: crpc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events .
PRISM Garage Giveaway - a New Way - Welcoming International Students	Greatest needs are for chairs, small tables or desks, bookshelves, and kitchen appliances. Contact Susannah (sclarke.prism@gmail.com).
Volunteer Babysitting: Serve & Connect with Our Church Families!	PARENTS, we have willing volunteers signed up to serve you by babysitting your children or being a parent helper! Contact Becki: becki@cityreformed.org . VOLUNTEERS, complete: tinyurl.com/CityBABYSIT .
Men's Discipleship Committee: Are you interested in being mentored?	The Men's Discipleship Committee is working to help men connect for discipleship through mentoring relationships. We have a list of men who desire to mentor other men, so if you are interested in being mentored, please contact Adam Schwab at ahs27@pitt.edu .
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 Melchior (nik@alum.wustl.edu) or any of the deacons.

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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.
