

Sunday Morning Worship August 28, 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 or visit our website: cityreformed.org.

## Reflections

"My son, do not despise the Lord's discipline or be weary of his reproof, for the Lord reproves him whom he loves, as a father the son in whom he delights."

– Proverbs 3:11-12

# 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

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# Morning Worship Service

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## Call to Worship: Micah 4:1-5

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

- Leader It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and it shall be lifted up above the hills; and peoples shall flow to it,
- People And many nations shall come, and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths."
- Leader For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between many peoples, and shall decide disputes for strong nations far away;
- People And they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore;
- Leader But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree, and no one shall make them afraid, for the mouth of the LORD of hosts has spoken.
- People For all the peoples walk each in the name of its god, but we will walk in the name of the LORD our God forever and ever.

## Prayer of Invocation

## Praise to the Lord the Almighty

(Words: Joachim Neander 1680 Translator: Catherine Winkworth 1863 Music: Anonymous 1665)

Praise to the Lord, The Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise Him for He is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near; Praise Him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, Shelters thee under His wings, Yea, so gently sustaineth! Hast thou not seen how all your longings have been Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, Who doth prosper thy work and defend thee. Surely His goodness and Mercy here daily attend thee. Ponder anew what the Almighty can do If with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him! All that hath life and breath, Come now with praises before Him. Let the Amen sound from His people again, Gladly for aye we adore Him.

## Scripture Reading: Psalm 106:4–12, Galatians 4:3-7

#### No Longer Slaves

(Words & Music: Jonathan David Helser & Melissa Helser 2014)

You unravel me with a melody You surround me with a song Of deliverance from my enemies Till all my fears are gone

> I'm no longer a slave to fear I am a child of God I'm no longer a slave to fear I am a child of God

From my Mother's womb You have chosen me Love has called my name I've been born again into Your family Your blood flows through my veins

You split the sea so I could walk right through it My fears were drowned in perfect love You rescued me so I could stand and sing I am a child of God

## He Has Made Me Glad | Psalm 100

(Words & Music: Leona Von Brethorst 1976)

I will enter His gates With thanksgiving in my heart I will enter His courts with praise I will say this is the day That the Lord has made I will rejoice For He has made me glad

> He has made me glad He has made me glad I will rejoice for He has made me glad He has made me glad I will rejoice for He has made me glad

## Call to Confession: Psalm 103:8-9, 13

The Lord is merciful and gracious, to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever... As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

# Prayer of Confession:

O God, I have no merit; let the merit of Jesus stand for me. I am undeserving, but I look to Your tender mercy. I am full of infirmities, wants, sin; You are full of grace. I confess my sin, my frequent sin, my willful sin; all my powers of body and soul are defiled: a fountain of pollution is deep within my nature. I am utterly ashamed that I am what I am in myself; I have no green shoot in me nor fruit, but thorns and thistles; I am a fading leaf that the wind drives away; I live bare and barren as a winter tree, unprofitable, fit to be cut down and burnt. Lord, have mercy on me.

You have struck a heavy blow at my pride, at the false god of self, and I lie in pieces before you. But You have given me another master and lord-Your son, Jesus- and now my heart is turned towards holiness, my life speeds as an arrow from a bow towards complete obedience to you. Help me in all my doings to put down sin and humble pride. Save me from the love of the world and the pride of life, from everything that is natural to fallen man, and let Christ's nature be seen in me day by day.

## **Silent Confession**

## Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 103:10-12

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

## Membership Vows & Baptism Stephen, Hannah, Emily, Nora, Elliot Funni

## **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; 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

# **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 21:12-22 "The Cleansing Work of Christ Part 2: Judgement"

- Reverend Matt Koerber

A nd Jesus entered the temple and drove out all who sold and bought in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold pigeons. <sup>13</sup>He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer,' but you make it a den of robbers." <sup>14</sup>And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple, and he healed them. <sup>15</sup>But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying out in the temple, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" they were indignant, <sup>16</sup>and they said to him, "Do you hear what these are saying?" And Jesus said to them, "Yes; have you never read, "Out of the mouth of infants and nursing babies you have prepared praise'?" <sup>17</sup>And leaving them, he went out of the city to Bethany and lodged there.

<sup>18</sup>In the morning, as he was returning to the city, he became hungry. <sup>19</sup>And seeing a fig tree by the wayside, he went to it and found nothing on it but only leaves. And he said to it, "May no fruit ever come from you again!" And the fig tree withered at once. <sup>20</sup>When the disciples saw it, they marveled, saying, "How did the fig tree wither at once?" <sup>21</sup>And Jesus answered them, "Truly, I say to you, if you have faith and do not doubt, you will not only do what has been done to the fig tree, but even if you say to this mountain, 'Be taken up and thrown into the sea,' it will happen. <sup>22</sup>And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive, if you have faith."

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

#### People Thanks be to God

# Additional Scripture

Isaiah 5:1-7 / Let me sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; and he looked for it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard, that I have not done in it? When I looked for it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and briers and thorns shall grow up; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are his pleasant planting; and he looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed; for righteousness, but behold, an outcry!

Matthew 21:33-41 / "Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first. And they did the same to them. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons."

John 15:1-7 / "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. Revelation 2:1-5/ "To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: 'The words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand, who walks among the seven golden lampstands. "I know your works, your toil and your patient endurance, and how you cannot bear with those who are evil, but have tested those who call themselves apostles and are not, and found them to be false. I know you are enduring patiently and bearing up for my name's sake, and you have not grown weary. But I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first. Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent, and do the works you did at first. If not, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent.

## Creedal Response: Apostles' 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

## 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 brought us nigh to God.

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Let us love the Lord who bought 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.

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

#### Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

(Words & Music: Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, & Michael Farren 2018)

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer There is no more for heaven now to give He is my joy my righteousness and freedom My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace To this I hold my hope is only Jesus For my life is wholly bound to his Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine Yet not I but through Christ in me The night is dark but I am not forsaken For by my side the Saviour he will stay I labor on in weakness and rejoicing For in my need his power is displayed To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me Through the deepest valley he will lead Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome Yet not I but through Christ in me

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven The future sure the price it has been paid For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon And he was raised to overthrow the grave To this I hold my sin has been defeated Jesus now and ever is my plea Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free Yet not I but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus For he has said that he will bring me home And day by day I know he will renew me Until I stand with joy before the throne To this I hold my hope is only Jesus All the glory evermore to him When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat Yet not I but through Christ in me

## Prayer

## Announcements

## **Benediction**

Tonight's Worship Service: Reverend Joseph Bianco will be preaching on 1 Corinthians 11:1-16, "Head Coverings," with a time of Q and A ("Grill the Preacher") immediately following.

# Upcoming Events

College Shuttle Resumes THIS Week The college shuttle this week for the duration of the Fall semester. Contact Zachary (zachary@cityreformed. org) for more information.	Pickup 9:30AM- pickup at Point Park University 201 Wood St, Pittsburgh, PA 15222 (intersection of Wood Street and Boulevard of the Allies) 9:45- Pitt 4024 O'Hara St, Pittsburgh, PA 15213 (on O'Hara Street near University Place) 9:55- Carnegie Mellon University 5032 Forbes Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213 (Driveway in between UC and East Garage across from Devon Rd) Return: 12:00 pickup at WT 12:05 Carnegie Mellon drop off 12:15- Pitt drop off 12:30- Point Park drop off
Newcomers Lounge	TODAY and all Sundays in September! Are you new to City Reformed? Please join us after the service in the Dance Studio G8 for a dedicated space to welcome new visitors. Coffee, bagels, and a warm smile will be made available!
Agora Forum Mon 8/29 @7PM 3929 Coleman St. 15207	We will be starting a new series, 'Understanding predestination as the Bible presents it', led by David Snoke. The topic this week will be 'Problems with common Free Will theology.' Contact Alex (amain8511@ gmail.com).
<b>College Pizza Social</b> September 11th	9/11 immediately after the morning service. Calling all college students! Join us for a time of FREE PIZZA, fellowship, and learning more about our church. Room location in WT TBD.
Welcome Picnic September 18th	9/18 immediately after the morning service. Join us for our annual welcome picnic outside in the WT parking lot. Food will be provided.
How to Study the Bible, Women's Seminar September 24th, 9AM- noon Greenfield Chapel	Women of CRPC! Mark your calendars and join WMC on Saturday morning, Sept. 24 from 9:00am -12 noon as Shelly Scott leads us in learning how to study the Bible using the inductive manuscript method. Shelly is a seasoned teacher in her role with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship. She is passionate about the Word of God and her calling to help others encounter God through personal Bible study and in community settings. This seminar is designed for people with all levels of Bible study experience. We are so excited about this opportunity to learn and grow together and hope you will join us! Registration is required by Sept.18 at: tinyurl.com/crpcbiblestudy

Youth Communicant's Class	Are you or do you have a youth in your family looking to take membership vows? Join us as we host a class to study the process of professing faith and becoming communicant members in the church. Email all questions
	and interests to nameun@cityreformed.org.

## Children's Ministry

Sunday School Walkthrough, Sept 4, 9:30am to 10!	If you're new to City or would appreciate a walkthrough of what to expect on Sunday morning, please reach out to Becki (becki@cityreforemd.org). She will host a walkthrough next Sunday, September 4th!
Two Weeks until Sunday School!	Sunday school classes from Toddler - Adult will resume at 9 AM on September 11th. No advance registration is required. See you there! Reach out to Becki (becki@ cityreforemd.org) with any questions.

## **Missions Committee**

Missions Committee Positions Open	The missions committee is looking for two new members. Contact Jim Partridge (jim@cityreformed.org) for more detials.
Zimbabwe Missions Trip	The missions commitee is planning a two week missions trip to Zimbabwe in the summer of 2023. More details to come soon. Contact Jim Partridge (jim@cityreformed.org) if you are interested in receiving more information.

# Employment and Volunteer Needs www.cityreformed.org/employment

Program Manager Job Posting	This position oversees the church communications, coordination of all-church events, and logistics for Sunday mornings. The position is currently posted as 20hr/wk, but hours are flexible depending on the situation of the applicant. Applicants should send a resume and two references to Nameun@cityreformed.org
Youth Ministry Job Posting	This position works primarily with middle schoolers, teaching Sunday School, discipling youth, and coordinating youth group activities. The position is currently posted as 20hr/wk, but hours are flexible depending on the situation of the applicant. Applicants should send a resume and two references to Nameun@ cityreformed.org
Coffee Servers Needed	We need more baristas! Baristas serve approximately once a month. No coffee making experience is required. Contact kara@karagwyn.com for further details and to set up training.

## **Regular Events**

#### www.cityreformed.org/events

Wednesday Prayer Meetings 8:30-9:30 AM	Join our staff as they pray for our church. Wednesday weekly prayer is held on Zoom at: <i>https://tinyurl.com/</i> <i>crpcwednesdayprayer</i>
<b>Global Mission Prayer</b> Mondays @9PM	Join our church in prayer for our mission partners We will be praying for Dean and Kyria <b>Zoom link: https://tinyurl.com/crpcglobalprayer</b>
Women's Thursday Bible Study First & Third Thursday evenings via Zoom @ 6:00 - 7:30PM:	Studying the topic Heart Renewal: Finding Spiritual Refreshment Contact Cathy Taylor (lawyerdad5@aol.com)
Young Adult Women's Bible Study Every Other Wednesday Evening, 7PM	Join us for an 8 session summer study of Proverbs at Katelyn Spallinger's Home (1815 Sarah Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15203). Contact Katelyn Spallinger (katelyn@ cityreformed.org).

# 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: Gavin Breeden & Callie Miller (gavin.breeden@ruf.org, callie. miller@ruf.org)
- cityreformed.org/collegestudents

**Community Groups** meet in different parts of the city and suburbs offering an opporunity to look more deeply into Scripture and practices of faith in a beautifully diverse community. Please see our webisite for CGs that are currently meeting or contact Pastor Joseph at joseph@cityreformed.org

**Specialty Groups** meet in particular areas of interest for Bible study, fellowship, learning, and service.

- 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)
- Young Adult Women's Fellowship (Katelyn@cityreformed.org)
- Informal frisbee (danielrtoney@gmail.com)
- Board Game Gatherings (gatcheson@gmail.com)

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