



Sunday Morning Worship
January 26, 2020

Welcome to City Reformed Presbyterian Church

We are glad to have you join us for worship today. Please stop by the Welcome Table in the foyer - we would love to meet you! If you would like more information, please fill out one of the info cards on the table, refer to our print newsletter, *City This Month*, or visit our website: cityreformed.org.

Reflections

And as I hung up the phone it occurred to me
He'd grown up just like me
My boy was just like me

- "Cat's in the Cradle" by Harry Chapin

Please speak to an usher or greeter if you have any questions about the nursery and children's programs.

- *There is a nursery for children infant – 3 during the service.*
- *Cry Room space is available during the service in the foyer and Board Room.*
- *Children's bulletins are available at the side table for those staying in service.*
- *During the sermon, children 4 – 7 are invited to continue their worship at Children's Church.*

Worship Service

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Presider: Elder Jim Partridge

Call to Worship: Isaiah 45:18; 46:3-5, 8-9

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

Leader For thus says the LORD, who created the heavens (he is God!), who formed the earth and made it (he established it; he did not create it empty, he formed it to be inhabited!): "I am the LORD, and there is no other...

People **Listen to me, O house of Jacob, all the remnant of the house of Israel, who have been borne by me from before your birth, carried from the womb;**

Leader Even to your old age I am he, and to gray hairs I will carry you.

People **I have made, and I will bear; I will carry and will save.**

Leader "To whom will you liken me and make me equal, and compare me, that we may be alike? ... "Remember this and stand firm, recall it to mind, you transgressors,

People **Remember the former things of old; for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me...**

Prayer of Invocation

Endless Light

(Words & Music: Karl Cashwell & Dean Ussher 2011)

From the highest throne to the earth below
You laid down Your life for the likes of us
Great is the love of the Saviour

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From a wounded heart to a life made whole
Every human heart will declare as one
Great is the love of the Saviour

*Lord of endless light
Let Your glory shine forever
All the earth
All the earth will sing Your praise*

*Hope of every heart
Let Your Name be lifted higher
All our hearts
All our hearts will sing Your praise*

From the mountain heights to the valleys low
All created things given life to show
Jesus we live for Your glory

From the rising sun to the still of night
Every waking moment for Your delight
Jesus we live for Your glory

God be exalted
God be exalted in everything
We live for Your glory
Live for Your glory
(Repeat)

Scripture Reading: John 4:5-14

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.

Come Thou Fount

(Words: Robert Robinson & Martin Madan 1760; Music: Unknown)

Come thou fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing thy grace.
Streams of mercy never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer,
Hither by thy help I'm come,
And I hope by thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God.
He to rescue me from danger
Interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be.
Let that grace now like a fetter
Bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for thy courts above.

Call to Confession: Isaiah 45:22

Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other.

Prayer of Confession

Holy Lord, we proclaim with the prophet Isaiah that you are high and lifted up. You are the Lord of hosts and you are Holy. The whole earth is full of your glory! Before your presence the foundations of the earth shake.

But we must confess that we are not holy. We have unclean lips and we come from a people who have unclean lips.

We have hurt our neighbors with our words, we have been dishonest in our speech with have not reflected your glory in what we have said. We have sinfully added our words to the chorus of voices around us. These voices demean other humans made in your image and defy your authority in heaven.

We look to Jesus for our salvation. We trust that his sacrifice brings forgiveness. Renew our faith and empower us to walk in faithfulness. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Isaiah 44:22, Isaiah 6:7b

I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like mist; return to me, for I have redeemed you...Your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.

Baptism: Kyla Rose Dufendach,
daughter of Keith and Katie Dufendach

Corporate Prayer

Song of Renewal

As offering bags are passed, we ask that members and regular attendees consider contributing as an act of worship. Those who are not a regular part of our church are not expected to participate.

Before the Throne of God Above

(Words: Charitie Lees Bancroft; Music: Vikki Cook 1997)

Before the throne of God above,
I have a strong, a perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is Love,
Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands,
My name is written on His heart:
I know that while in Heav'n He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair,
And tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died,
My sinful soul is counted free;
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me,
To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there! The risen Lamb,
My perfect, spotless righteousness;
The great unchangeable I AM,
The King of glory and of grace!
One with Himself, I cannot die,
My soul is purchased with His blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ, my Savior and my God,
With Christ, my Savior and my God.

Pastoral Prayer

At this time, children ages 4-7 are invited to continue their worship at Children's Church. The leaders will bring the children to Children's Church and then back to the worship service after the sermon.

Sermon: Ezra 5:1-2, Zechariah 1:1-17

Zechariah 1-8: Visions for Hopeful Building

"Good News for Stuck People" - Reverend Matt Koerber

Ezra 5:1-2

Now the prophets, Haggai and Zechariah the son of Iddo, prophesied to the Jews who were in Judah and Jerusalem, in the name of the God of Israel who was over them. ²Then Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel and Jeshua the son of Jozadak arose and began to rebuild the house of God that is in Jerusalem, and the prophets of God were with them, supporting them.

Zechariah 1:1-17

In the eighth month, in the second year of Darius, the word of the LORD came to the prophet Zechariah, the son of Berechiah, son of Iddo, saying, ²"The LORD was very angry with your fathers. ³Therefore say to them, Thus declares the LORD of hosts: Return to me, says the LORD of hosts, and I will return to you, says the LORD of hosts. ⁴Do not be like your fathers, to whom the former prophets cried out, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts, Return from your evil ways and from your evil deeds.' But they did not hear or pay attention to me, declares the LORD. ⁵Your fathers, where are they? And the prophets, do they live forever? ⁶But my words and my statutes, which I commanded my servants the prophets, did they not overtake your fathers? So they repented and said, 'As the LORD of hosts purposed to deal with us for our ways and deeds, so has he dealt with us.'"

⁷On the twenty-fourth day of the eleventh month, which is the month of Shebat, in the second year of Darius, the word of the LORD came to the prophet Zechariah, the son

of Berechiah, son of Iddo, saying, ⁸"I saw in the night, and behold, a man riding on a red horse! He was standing among the myrtle trees in the glen, and behind him were red, sorrel, and white horses. ⁹Then I said, 'What are these, my lord?' The angel who talked with me said to me, 'I will show you what they are.' ¹⁰So the man who was standing among the myrtle trees answered, 'These are they whom the LORD has sent to patrol the earth.' ¹¹And they answered the angel of the LORD who was standing among the myrtle trees, and said, 'We have patrolled the earth, and behold, all the earth remains at rest.' ¹²Then the angel of the LORD said, 'O LORD of hosts, how long will you have no mercy on Jerusalem and the cities of Judah, against which you have been angry these seventy years?' ¹³And the LORD answered gracious and comforting words to the angel who talked with me. ¹⁴So the angel who talked with me said to me, 'Cry out, Thus says the LORD of hosts: I am exceedingly jealous for Jerusalem and for Zion. ¹⁵And I am exceedingly angry with the nations that are at ease; for while I was angry but a little, they furthered the disaster. ¹⁶Therefore, thus says the LORD, I have returned to Jerusalem with mercy; my house shall be built in it, declares the LORD of hosts, and the measuring line shall be stretched out over Jerusalem. ¹⁷Cry out again, Thus says the LORD of hosts: My cities shall again overflow with prosperity, and the LORD will again comfort Zion and again choose Jerusalem.'"

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Creedal Response: Heidelberg Catechism

Q 1. What is your only comfort in life and death?

A. That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil. He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit He also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

Songs of Thanksgiving

Please stand for the final songs if you are able.

Psalm 126

(Words & Music: Isaac Wardell 2012)

Our mouths, they were filled,
Filled with laughter;
Our tongues, they were loosed,
Loosed with joy.
Restore us, O Lord!
Restore us, O Lord!

*Although we are weeping,
Lord help us keep sowing
The seeds of Your Kingdom
For the day You will reap them.
Your sheaves we will carry;
Lord, please do not tarry!
All those who sow weeping
Will go out with songs of joy.*

The nations will say
"He has done great things!"
The nations will sing
Songs of joy.
Restore us, O Lord!
Restore us, O Lord!

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

(Words & Music: andra 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

At the beginning of announcements parents are dismissed to pick up their children from nursery.

Benediction

Tonight's Evening Service: Elder Jim Partridge will be preaching "Do We Have the Wrong Map for the Christian Life?" on 2 Corinthians 4:7-12.

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Please join us for a time of fellowship after the worship service. If you would like to contact a pastor, please email joseph@cityreformed.org.

Life Together

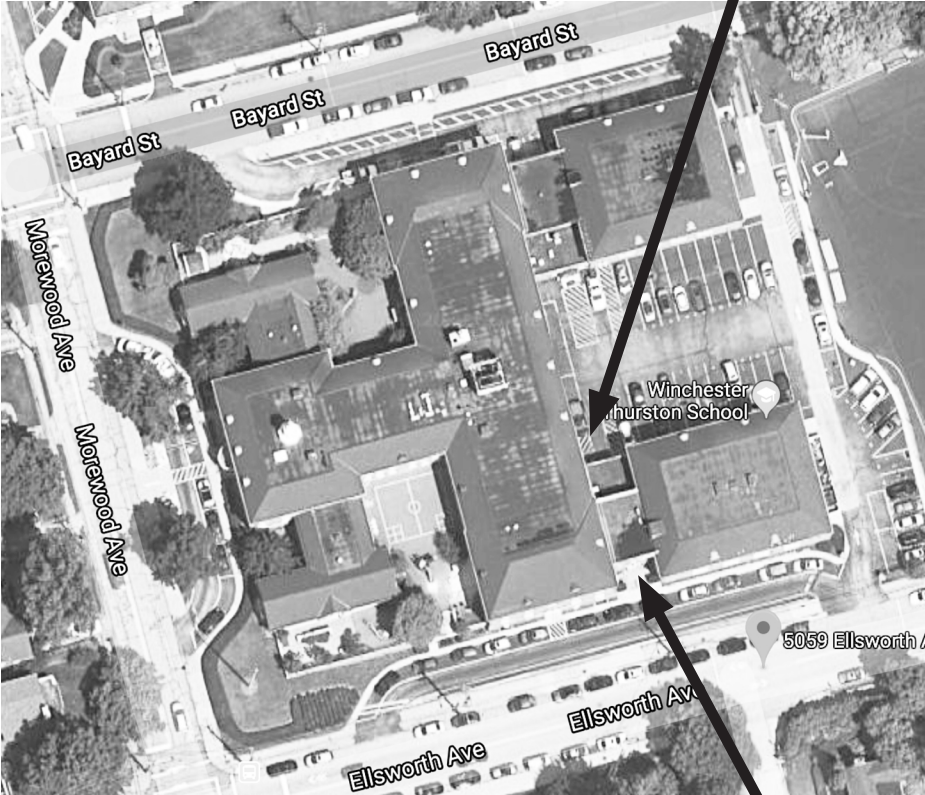
Additional detail can be found on: cityreformed.org/events.

***** PERMANENT MORNING VENUE CHANGE *****
Starting NEXT SUNDAY, February 2nd, 2020:
We will be meeting at the Winchester Thurston School
(Entrance: 5059 Ellsworth Ave., 15213) for 10:15AM Morning Service.

PARKING: The lot is accessible off of Ellsworth. Spots are available along the building on the drives off Ellsworth, Bayard & Morewood. All parking spots on campus can be used and the WT "no parking" signs do not apply on Sundays. Street parking is available - check the signs.

ENTRANCE: Enter through the **Auditorium Entrance** (5059 Ellsworth Ave., 15213). The **handicap entrance** is accessible from the parking lot.

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