

Sunday Evening Worship October 6, 2019

Welcome to City Reformed Presbyterian Church

We are glad to have you join us for worship today. Please feel free to stick around after the service and ask questions about who we are and what we do! If you would like more information, please refer to our print newsletter, *City This Month*, or visit our website: **cityreformed.org**.

Reflections

We believe the world was made by a God who is a community of persons who have loved each other for all eternity. You were made for mutually self-giving, other directed love. Self-centeredness destroys the fabric of what God has made.

- Timothy Keller, "The Reason for God: Belief in an Age of Skepticism"

About Us

Sunday Morning Worship Service

10:15AM Twentieth Century Club 4201 Bigelow Blvd. Pittsburgh, PA 15213 (Oakland)

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6:00PM 3929 Coleman St. Pittsburgh, PA 15207 (Greenfield)

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Worship Service

City Reformed Presbyterian Church Sunday Evening Worship – October 6, 2019 Presider: Reverend Nameun Cho

Call to Worship: Psalm 110:1-4

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

- Leader The LORD says to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool."
- People The LORD sends forth from Zion your mighty scepter. Rule in the midst of your enemies!
- Leader Your people will offer themselves freely on the day of your power, in holy garments; from the womb of the morning, the dew of your youth will be yours.
- People The LORD has sworn and will not change his mind, "You are a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek."

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!

For All the Saints

(Words: William W. How 1864; Music: Christopher Miner 1997)

For all the saints, Who from their labors rest, Who Thee by faith Before the world confessed, Thy Name, O Jesus, Be forever blessed. Alleluia, Allelu...

Thou wast their rock, Their fortress and their might; Thou, Lord, their captain In the well fought fight; Thou, in the darkness Drear, their one true Light. Alleluia, Allelu...

The golden evening brightens in the west; Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest; Sweet is the calm of paradise the blessed. Alleluia, Allelu...

But lo! There breaks a yet more glorious day; The saints triumphant rise in bright array; The King of glory passes on his way, Alleluia, Allelu...

Catechism Reading: Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q 6. How many persons are there in the godhead?

A. There are three persons in the Godhead: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. These three are one God, the same in substance and equal in power and glory.

Call to Confession: Romans 8:9-11

You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, the very Spirit that proceeds from the Father and the Son dwells in our hearts, and even still we disobey. Your Holy Spirit is our guarantee and our guide, yet we pursue our desires, passions, and lusts. Gracious Father, we confess the times we quench the Spirit with our lives, our actions, our thoughts, and in our words. Help us to better reflect the Trinity in whose image we were created. Forgive us and restore us. Let us be quick to repentance, clinging to the work of your Son on our behalf. Thank you that in him, we have you. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Hebrews 9:14

...how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

Corporate Prayer

Membership Vows: Jean Gross

Song of Renewal

Isaiah 43

(Words & Music: Unknown)

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you, And the waves will not overcome you. Do not fear, For I have redeemed you. I have called you by name; You are mine.

For I am the Lord, your God (echo) I am the Lord, your God I Am The Holy One of Israel, your Savior. (Repeat)

I am the Lord (Do not fear) I am the Lord (Do not fear) I am the Lord (Do not fear) I am the Lord (Do not fear)

When you walk through the fire, You'll not be burned, And the flames will not consume you. Do not fear, For I have redeemed you. I have called you by name; You are mine.

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

"Our Relational God" - Reverend Joseph Bianco

2 Corinthians 13:11-14

 \mathbf{F} inally, brothers, rejoice. Aim for restoration, comfort one another, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. ¹²Greet one another with a holy kiss. ¹³All the saints greet you.

¹⁴The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Galatians 4:6

A nd because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!"

People Thanks be to God.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

Additional Scripture

Matthew 28:19 / Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit...

John 15:26 / "But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me."

Acts 2:33 / Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing.

Ephesians 2:18 / For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.

Sermon Outline

- 1. Sermon Introduction: a. Westminster Series
- 2. Reading
- 3. Prayer

Proposition: Healthy relationships reflect Trinitarian relationships.

Our fallen condition: The fracturing of relationships.

In this passage we will look at...

- 4. Main point 1: ... What's the problem?
- 5. Main point 2: ... What do healthy relationships look like?
- 6. Main point 3: ... How to achieve healthy relationships
- 7. Conclusion: Our union with the Trinity

Song of Thanksgiving

This I Believe - Apostles' Creed

(Words & Music: Ben Fielding & Matt Crocker 2014)

Our Father everlasting The all creating One God Almighty Through Your Holy Spirit Conceiving Christ the Son Jesus our Saviour

> I believe in God our Father I believe in Christ the Son I believe in the Holy Spirit Our God is three in One I believe in the resurrection That we will rise again For I believe in the Name of Jesus

Our judge and our defender Suffered and crucified Forgiveness is in You Descended into darkness You rose in glorious life Forever seated high

> I believe in life eternal I believe in the virgin birth I believe in the saints' communion And in Your holy Church I believe in the resurrection When Jesus comes again For I believe in the Name of Jesus

Prayer

Announcements

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