



**Sunday Evening Worship**  
**September 15, 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](http://cityreformed.org).

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## Reflections

According to the Catechism, there is a reason for the existence of human beings. And this reason cannot be found in man himself!

- G.I. Williamson, "The Westminster Shorter Catechism: For Study Classes"

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## About Us

### Sunday Morning Worship Service

10:15AM  
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# Worship Service

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Presider: Elder Jim Partridge

## Call to Worship: Psalm 73:25-28

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

Leader Whom have I in heaven but you? And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you.

People **My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.**

Leader For behold, those who are far from you shall perish; you put an end to everyone who is unfaithful to you.

People **But for me it is good to be near God; I have made the Lord God my refuge, that I may tell of all your works.**

## Prayer of Invocation

### Joyful Joyful We Adore You

*(Words: Henry van Dyke 1907; Music: Ludwig van Beethoven 1824; Music & Lyrics Adapted by Daniel Snoko 2018)*

Joyful joyful we adore You  
God of glory Lord of love  
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before You  
Op'ning to the sun above  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness  
Drive the dark of doubt away  
Giver of immortal gladness  
Fill us with the light of day

All Your works with joy surround You  
Earth and heav'n reflect Your rays  
Stars and angels sing around You  
Center of unbroken praise

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Field and forest vale and mountain  
Flow'ry meadow flashing sea  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain  
Praising You eternally

You are giving and forgiving  
Ever blessing ever blest  
Well-spring of the joy of living  
Ocean-depth of happy rest  
Loving Father, Christ our Brother  
May Your Spirit in us shine  
Teach us how to love each other  
Lift us to Your joy divine

Mortals join the mighty chorus  
With the morning stars begin  
God's own love is reigning o'er us  
Humble love binds all in Him  
Christ we echo ever singing  
Victors in the midst of strife  
Joyful music we are bringing  
In the triumph song of life

## **Be Thou My Vision**

*(Translation: Mary Elizabeth Byrne 1905; Tune: "Slane")*

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart!  
Naught be all else to me save that thou art!  
Thou my best thought by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom and thou my true word  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord!  
Thou my great Father, I thy true son,  
Thou in me dwelling and I with thee one!

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise;  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always!  
Thou and thou only first in my heart;  
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of Heaven, my victory won.  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of All.

## **Catechism Reading: Westminster Shorter Catechism**

Q1. What is the main purpose of mankind?

**A. Mankind's main purpose is to glorify God and to enjoy him forever.**

Q2. What rule has God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him?

**A. The Word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him.**

## **Call to Confession: 1 John 1:8**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

## **Prayer of Confession**

Our Father in heaven, forgive us for our sins, too many to number. Forgive us for not glorifying you in all that we do. Forgive us for not finding unceasing joy in your goodness, your mercy, and your steadfast love. Teach us, O LORD, how to glorify you in our lives, and how to enjoy your presence, as you walk with your people, all of our days. We ask these things in Jesus' Name, Amen.

## **Silent Confession**

## **Assurance of Pardon: 1 John 1:9**

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

## **Corporate Prayer**

# Song of Renewal

## Satisfied

(Words: Clara T. Williams 1875; Music: Karl Digerness 1997; Arranged: Daniel Snoke 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.

## Pastoral Prayer

## **Sermon: 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1**

"Glory and Joy" - Reverend John McCombs

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**S**o, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God. <sup>32</sup>Give no offense to Jews or to Greeks or to the church of God, <sup>33</sup>just as I try to please everyone in everything I do, not seeking my own advantage, but that of many, that they may be saved.

<sup>11:1</sup>Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

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Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

## Additional Scripture

Genesis 1:26 / Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

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Genesis 3:8 / And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

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Psalms 19:1 / The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.

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John 17:4 / I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do.

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John 17:21-23 / ...that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me.

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Romans 11:36 / For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

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Colossians 3:23-24 / Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ.

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Revelation 4:11 / "Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."

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Revelation 7:15-17 / "Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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# Communion

*City Reformed Church invites all baptized Christians who are willing to forsake their sins and trust Christ alone for salvation, and who are members of congregations which proclaim the gospel, to receive Holy Communion with us. Parents with non-communing children are encouraged to bring their children forward during communion. The elders will lay a hand on their head and briefly pray for them as they serve you.*

*Communion will be served by elders to several people at a time at the front of the church. When you are ready, please proceed up using the left aisle. At the ushers' guidance, you may move forward to receive the elements as a group. Please return to your seat using the right aisle.*

*Communion is served with wine and with grape juice. The wine is placed in the outer circle of the communion tray, and the grape juice is placed in the inner circle. The bread is gluten-free.*

# Song of Communion

## Psalm 34 | Gloria

*(Words & Music: Mars Hill Music)*

I sought for the King.  
Then He heard my cry,  
And delivered me  
From my lonely fears.

They looked unto Him  
In His radiance.  
All their faces have  
Been made unashamed.

*Gloria! (4x)*

*O, taste and see  
That the Lord is good  
All you people  
All you saints  
All you children of the King. (2x)*

*Gloria! (4x)*

## **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

## **Doxology**

*(Words: Thomas Ken 1674; Music: Louis Bourgeois 1510)*

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.                      Amen

## **Prayer**

## **Announcements**

## **Benediction**