



*"So to keep me from becoming conceited because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from becoming conceited. Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong."*

- 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

**Sunday Evening Service**  
**March 1, 2026**

# Evening Worship Service

City Reformed Presbyterian Church  
Sunday Evening Worship – March 1, 2026  
Presider: Reverend Matt Koerber

## Call to Worship: 1 Samuel 2:2-4, 6-8

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

Leader There is none holy like the LORD: for there is none besides you; there is no rock like our God.

People **Talk no more so very proudly, let not arrogance come from your mouth; for the LORD is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed.**

Leader The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble bind on strength.

People **The LORD kills and brings to life; he brings down to Sheol and raises up. The LORD makes poor and makes rich; he brings low and he exalts.**

Leader He raises up the poor from the dust; he lifts the needy from the ash heap to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honor.

People **For the pillars of the earth are the LORD'S, and on them he has set the world.**

## Prayer of Invocation

# Praise My Soul The King Of Heaven

*(Words: Henry Francis Lyte and John Goss)*

Praise, my soul, the King of hea-ven  
To His feet thy tribute bring  
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven  
Who like thee His praise should sing?  
Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Praise the everlasting King

Praise Him for His grace and fa-vour  
To our fathers in distress  
Praise Him, still the same forever  
Slow to chide and swift to bless  
Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Glorious in His faithfulness

Fatherlike, He tends and spares us  
Well our feeble frame He knows  
In His hands He gently bears us  
Rescues us from all our foes  
Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Widely as His mercy flows

Angels in the height, adore Him  
Ye behold Him face to face  
Sun and moon, bow down before Him  
Dwellers all in time and space  
Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Praise with us the God of grace

# Christus Victor (Amen)

(Words & Music: Bryan Fowler, Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, Matt Boswell, and Matt Papa 2024)

O Most High King of the ages  
Great I God of wonders  
By the blood you have redeemed us  
Led us through mighty waters  
Our strength our song our sure salvation

*Now to the Lamb upon the throne  
Be blessing honor glory power  
For the battle you have won  
Hallelujah Amen*

O Most High dwelling among us  
Son of man sent for sinners  
By your blood you have redeemed us  
Spotless Lamb mighty Savior  
Who lived who died who rose victorious

*Now to the Lamb upon the throne  
Be blessing honor glory power  
For the battle you have won  
Hallelujah  
With every tribe and every tongue  
We join the anthem of the angels  
In the triumph of the Son  
Hallelujah Amen*

O Most High King of the nations  
Robed in praise crowned with splendor  
On that day who will not tremble  
When you stand Christ the Victor  
Who was and is and is for ever

Amen, Amen  
A-men  
Amen, Amen  
A-men

## **Call to Confession: Hebrews 12:7-10**

It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness.

## **Prayer of Confession:**

**Father, teach us to be patient. Teach us to be patient when enduring trials that come on us through no fault of our own, in the common trials of the human race; teach us to be patient when we need to obey you in something hard that takes a long time; teach us to be patient with other people who don't change the way we wish they would; teach us to be patient when changing our hearts is hard and slow. We thank you that you are patient with us, and that you use us in our weakness for your kingdom and your people. Amen.**

## **Silent Confession**

## **Assurance of Pardon: Hebrews 12:6**

"For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives."

## **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](http://cityreformed.org/give); 3929 Coleman St., 15207)*

## What the Lord Has Done in Me

*(Words & Music: Reuben Morgan 1998)*

*Hosanna hosanna  
To the Lamb that was slain  
Hosanna hosanna  
Jesus died and rose again*

Let the weak say I am strong  
Let the poor say I am rich  
Let the blind say I can see  
It's what the Lord has done in me

Into the river I will wade  
There my sins are washed away  
From the heaven's mercy stream  
Of the Savior's love for me

I will rise from waters deep  
Into the saving arms of God  
I will sing salvation songs  
Jesus Christ has set me free

## Scripture & Homily: Joshua 5:1-12

"God Uses Weakness Once Again"

- Elder Dave Snoko

**A**s soon as all the kings of the Amorites who were beyond the Jordan to the west, and all the kings of the Canaanites who were by the sea, heard that the LORD had dried up the waters of the Jordan for the people of Israel until they had crossed over, their hearts melted and there was no longer any spirit in them because of the people of Israel.

<sup>2</sup>At that time the LORD said to Joshua, "Make flint knives and circumcise the sons of Israel a second time." <sup>3</sup>So Joshua made flint knives and circumcised the sons of Israel at Gibeath-haaraloth. <sup>4</sup>And this is the reason why Joshua circumcised them: all the males of the people who came out of Egypt, all the men of war, had died in the wilderness on the way after they had come out of Egypt. <sup>5</sup>Though all the people who came out had been circumcised, yet all the people who were born on the way in the wilderness after they had come out of Egypt had not been circumcised. <sup>6</sup>For the people of Israel walked forty years in the wilderness, until all the nation, the men of war who came out of Egypt, perished, because they did not obey the voice of the LORD; the LORD swore to them that he would not let them see the land that the LORD had sworn to their fathers to give to us, a land flowing with milk and honey. <sup>7</sup>So it was their children, whom he raised up in their place, that Joshua circumcised. For they were uncircumcised, because they had not been circumcised on the way.

<sup>8</sup>When the circumcising of the whole nation was finished, they remained in their places in the camp until they were healed. <sup>9</sup>And the LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away the reproach of Egypt from you." And so the name of that place is called Gilgal to this day.

<sup>10</sup>While the people of Israel were encamped at Gilgal, they kept the Passover on the fourteenth day of the month in the evening on the plains of Jericho. <sup>11</sup>And the day after the Passover, on that very day, they ate of the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. <sup>12</sup>And the manna ceased the day after they ate of the produce of the land. And there was no longer manna for the people of Israel, but they ate of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

## Additional Scripture

Exodus 19:4-6 / "'You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel."

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Genesis 17:9-11 / And God said to Abraham, "As for you, you shall keep my covenant, you and your offspring after you throughout their generations. This is my covenant, which you shall keep, between me and you and your offspring after you: Every male among you shall be circumcised. You shall be circumcised in the flesh of your foreskins, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and you."

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John 10:1-9 / "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers." This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture."

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# Song of Thanksgiving

## 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 Savior, 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."

# Benediction

## Announcements

[www.cityreformed.org/events](http://www.cityreformed.org/events)

<p><b>Officer and Women's Ministry Council Nominations</b></p>	<p>The nomination period is now open for all potential elder, deacon, and Women's Ministry Council candidates. If you are a member of City Reformed, please send a list of all of your nominations to <a href="mailto:pastormatt@cityreformed.org">pastormatt@cityreformed.org</a> by March 31st.</p>
<p><b>Guess Who's Coming to Dinner!</b> Saturday, March 7th 6PM</p>	<p>An opportunity to get to know folks that you might not yet know in our growing community. As a host, you will provide a main dish for the number of folks that you can comfortably fit into your home. As a guest, you will bring a side/dessert to compliment the main dish. Details and registration link are available in weekly announcement email. Sign up BY tonight! You will be notified the week before with details for your dinner.</p>
<p><b>Women's Retreat</b> March 27th - 28th Ligonier Camp and Conference Center</p>	<p>It is time to register for the 2026 Women's Retreat. Join us for worship, prayer, teaching, discussion and fellowship as we think about the ways we are "Called and Equipped"! Saturday only option available. Scholarships available. Register at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/CRPCWomensRetreat2026">https://tinyurl.com/CRPCWomensRetreat2026</a> through March 6. Contact Sarah Jo (<a href="mailto:sarahthompsonharris@gmail.com">sarahthompsonharris@gmail.com</a>)</p>
<p><b>Baby Bottle Campaign</b> Due Sunday, March 29th</p>	<p>Join our Baby Bottle Campaign this March! Support the life-saving work of Network of Life/ Women's Choice Network by filling a bottle with cash, coins, or a check made payable to Network of Life, or by giving online at <a href="http://ebottle.org">ebottle.org</a> (select City Reformed Presbyterian Church). Please return all physical bottles by Sunday, March 29, full or empty. See <a href="http://networkoflife.org">networkoflife.org</a> for more information.</p>
<p><b>Medical Missions Opportunity, Ethiopia</b></p>	<p>CRPC will be sending a medical mission team to Ethiopia 6/27-7/5. For more info, contact Alex Watt (<a href="mailto:alex@alexcwatt.com">alex@alexcwatt.com</a>).</p>
<p><b>Women's Bible Study</b> Tuesdays 9:45 AM-11:45 AM</p>	<p>Scenes from the Final Week, a Bible Study by Paige Brown. Greenfield Chapel. Childcare is provided. Contact Luda (<a href="mailto:luda.bates@gmail.com">luda.bates@gmail.com</a>)</p>
<p><b>Thursday PM Women's Bible Study</b> January 15th - early April 6:45 PM - 8:45 PM Greenfield Chapel</p>	<p>We are starting a new study on Revelation using the book and video series by Nancy Guthrie, Blessed: Experiencing the Promise of the Book of Revelation. Contact Tracy (<a href="mailto:partridge.ta@gmail.com">partridge.ta@gmail.com</a>) or Chrissie (<a href="mailto:chrissie@cityreformed.org">chrissie@cityreformed.org</a>).</p>

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### **Monday:**

Forest Hills - Adam Schwab  
Morningside - James Lettow

### **Tuesday:**

Shaler - Dan Toney  
Bellevue/North Side - Joe Benscoter  
Squirrel Hill - Ben Chidester

### **Wednesday:**

Friendship - Michael Hilton  
Greenfield - Max Winters  
Regent Square - Dave Snoko

### **Thursday:**

Shadyside - Chris Bollinger  
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