



Sunday Morning All-Age Worship
March 29, 2026

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

"I'll see you again when the stars fall from the sky
And the moon has turned red over One Tree Hill."

– "One Tree Hill", by U2

About Us

Sunday Morning Worship Service

10:15AM
Winchester Thurston Auditorium
5059 Ellsworth Ave
Pittsburgh, PA 15213

LIVESTREAM: tinyurl.com/CRPCLive

Church Office

3929 Coleman St.
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Hours (new!):

- Tuesday - Thursday 9AM - 3PM
- Friday 9AM - 12PM

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Sunday Evening Worship Service

5:30PM
Greenfield Chapel
3929 Coleman Street
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Morning Worship Service

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Presider: Reverend Joseph Bianco

Call to Worship: Psalm 104:1-4, 31-35

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

Leader Bless the LORD, O my soul! O LORD my God, you are very great!

People **You are clothed with splendor and majesty, covering yourself with light as with a garment, stretching out the heavens like a tent.**

Leader He lays the beams of his chambers on the waters; he makes the clouds his chariot; he rides on the wings of the wind;

People **He makes his messengers winds, his ministers a flaming fire...**

Leader May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works, who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke!

People **I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.**

Leader May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD. Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more!

People **Bless the LORD, O my soul! Praise the LORD!**

Prayer of Invocation

O Worship The King (Psalm 104)

(Music: Johann Haydn 1700's; Words: Robert Grant 1833)

O worship the King all-glorious above,
O gratefully sing his power and his love
Our shield and defender the Ancient of Days
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise

O tell of his might and sing of his grace
Whose robe is the light whose canopy space
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form
And dark is his path on the wings of the storm

Your bountiful care what tongue can recite
It breathes in the air it shines in the light
It streams from the hills it descends to the plain
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain

Frail children of dust and feeble as frail
In you do we trust nor find you to fail
Your mercies how tender how firm to the end
Our Maker Defender Redeemer and Friend

O measureless might ineffable love
While angels delight to worship above
The humbler creation though feeble their ways
With true adoration shall all sing your praise

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 am, 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

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Scripture Reading: Psalm 27:11-14

Psalm 27 | The Everlasting

(Words & Music: Fellowship Church 2010)

The Lord is my light and salvation
Whom shall I fear of whom shall I be afraid
The Lord is the strength of my life
Whom shall I fear of whom shall I be afraid

I will wait for you; I will wait for you
I will wait for you; I will wait for you

I will remain confident in this
I will see the goodness of the Lord
I will remain confident in this
I will see the goodness of the Lord

We set our hope on you
We set our hope on your love
We set our hope on the Lord
Who is the everlasting God
You are the everlasting God

Call to Confession: 1 Peter 1:13

Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

Prayer of Confession: The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever, Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: 1 Peter 1:18-19

[Know] that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.

Affirmation of Faith: 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

Corporate Prayer

Song of Renewal

We consider tithes & offering as an act of worship within the corporate family of Christ. Cards and donations can be placed in offering bags. Giving can also be directed online (cityreformed.org/give) or sent via mail (3929 Coleman St., 15207).

O Praise The Name (Anástasis)

(Words & Music: Benjamin Hastings, Dean Ussher, and Marty Sampson 2015)

I cast my mind to Calvary
Where Jesus bled and died for me
I see his wounds his hands his feet
My Saviour on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears
They laid him down in Joseph's tomb
The entrance sealed by heavy stone
Messiah still and all alone

*O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise his Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord oh Lord our God*

Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of Heaven rose again
O trampled death where is your sting
The angels roar for Christ the King

He shall return in robes of white
The blazing sun shall pierce the night
And I will rise among the saints
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

Pastoral Prayer

Today is an all-age service when our kids join us for the sermon. Pastor Matt will be giving out lollipops to those that present him with a drawing or notes of the sermon. In honor of Palm Sunday, we will also have palm leaves available by the stage after the service and guidance on how to fold them into a cross!

Sermon: Matthew 24:1-44

"The Fall of Jerusalem and the End of the Age"

- Reverend Matt Koerber

Jesus left the temple and was going away, when his disciples came to point out to him the buildings of the temple. ²But he answered them, "You see all these, do you not? Truly, I say to you, there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down."

³As he sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?" ⁴And Jesus answered them, "See that no one leads you astray. ⁵For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and they will lead many astray. ⁶And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not alarmed, for this must take place, but the end is not yet. ⁷For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places. ⁸All these are but the beginning of the birth pains.

⁹"Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and put you to death, and you will be hated by all nations for my name's sake. ¹⁰And then many will fall away and betray one another and hate one another. ¹¹And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray. ¹²And because lawlessness will be increased, the love of many will grow cold. ¹³But the one who endures to the end will be saved. ¹⁴And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a

testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

¹⁵“So when you see the abomination of desolation spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand), ¹⁶then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. ¹⁷Let the one who is on the housetop not go down to take what is in his house, ¹⁸and let the one who is in the field not turn back to take his cloak. ¹⁹And alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! ²⁰Pray that your flight may not be in winter or on a Sabbath. ²¹For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now, no, and never will be. ²²And if those days had not been cut short, no human being would be saved. But for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short. ²³Then if anyone says to you, ‘Look, here is the Christ!’ or ‘There he is!’ do not believe it. ²⁴For false christs and false prophets will arise and perform great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect. ²⁵See, I have told you beforehand. ²⁶So, if they say to you, ‘Look, he is in the wilderness,’ do not go out. If they say, ‘Look, he is in the inner rooms,’ do not believe it. ²⁷For as the lightning comes from the east and shines as far as the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ²⁸Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather.

²⁹“Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ³⁰Then will appear in heaven the sign of the Son of Man, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. ³¹And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

³²“From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. ³³So also, when you see all these things, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁴Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. ³⁵Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁶“But concerning that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father only. ³⁷For as were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, ³⁹and they were unaware until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰Then two men will be in the field; one will be taken and one left. ⁴¹Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one left. ⁴²Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. ⁴³But know this, that if the master of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Additional Scripture

Isaiah 19:1 / Behold, the Lord is riding on a swift cloud and comes to Egypt; and the idols of Egypt will tremble at his presence, and the heart of the Egyptians will melt within them.

Daniel 7:13 / I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him.

Daniel 11:31 / Forces from him shall appear and profane the temple and

fortress, and shall take away the regular burnt offering. And they shall set up the abomination that makes desolate.

Matthew 16:27 / For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done.

Matthew 24:45 / "Who then is the faithful and wise servant, whom his master has set over his household, to give them their food at the proper time? Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will set him over all his possessions. But if that wicked servant says to himself, 'My master is delayed,' and begins to beat his fellow servants and eats and drinks with drunkards, the master of that servant will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour he does not know and will cut him in pieces and put him with the hypocrites. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

Matthew 26:63 / But Jesus remained silent. And the high priest said to him, "I adjure you by the living God, tell us if you are the Christ, the Son of God." Jesus said to him, "You have said so. But I tell you, from now on you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven." Then the high priest tore his robes and said, "He has uttered blasphemy. What further witnesses do we need? You have now heard his blasphemy."

2 Peter 3:9-12 / The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed. Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn!

Songs of Thanksgiving

Wait for the Lord

(Taizé)

*Wait for the Lord
Whose day is near.
Wait for the Lord
Keep watch, take heart.*

Emmanuel

(Words & Music: Austin Alfter, David Gentiles, Melanie Slay, and Tevia Alfter 2025)

In the beginning, you spoke, there was light
Your Word formed creation, your breath gave us life
We walked in the garden, it brought you delight
How you love to be with us, we were fully alive

*You have always been
You will always be Emmanuel*

Our fellowship broken, as we were deceived
The joy of the garden was now out of reach
You chose to pursue us, you longed for us still
You did not forsake us and you never will

A pillar of fire that led through the night
A cloud of your glory, no one could deny
We built you a temple, but you wanted more
You longed for a people that could be called yours

Then in the silence the Word became flesh
Our God dwelt among us, you gave us your best
You offered communion, you gave up your life
You rose up in victory and healed the divide

The day is soon coming, you'll be revealed
Your love of communion, fin'ly fulfilled
We'll see a New Heaven and walk a New Earth
You will be ours, Lord, and we will be yours

In this very moment, God you are here
You're with and within us, you love to be near
Filled with your Spirit, a promise of love
A blessed assurance of what is to come

Benediction

At tonight's Worship Service, Elder Dave Snoke will be continuing the series on Joshua, preaching from Joshua 8:1-29, "When God Calls Us to Act, and When God Calls Us to Wait."

Announcements

www.cityreformed.org/events

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| <p>Officer and Women's Ministry Council Nominations</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 pastormatt@cityreformed.org by March 31st.</p> |
| <p>The Christian Scientific Society April 17-18 Cathedral of Learning</p> | <p>The Christian Scientific Society is having a two-day meeting on Evidential Apologetics, April 17-18 at the Cathedral of Learning. The meeting is open to the public, but registration is required; high school and college students can attend at no cost. For details see https://christianscientific.org/pittsburgh-meeting-on-evidential-apologetics-april-17-18/</p> |
| <p>Baby Bottle Campaign Due TODAY</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 ebottle.org (select City Reformed Presbyterian Church). Please return all physical bottles by Sunday, March 29, full or empty. See networkoflife.org for information.</p> |
| <p>Medical Missions Opportunity, Ethiopia</p> | <p>CRPC will be sending a medical mission team to Ethiopia 6/27-7/5. For more info, contact Alex Watt (alex@alexcwatt.com).</p> |
| <p>Thursday PM Women's Bible Study 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 (partridge.ta@gmail.com) or Chrissie (chrissie@cityreformed.org).</p> |
| <p>RUF at Pitt Grad Banquet Food Request Friday, April 24 6:00 PM - 6:45 PM</p> | <p>We are looking for help as we celebrate our RUF at Pitt Senior Class and hear them reflect on God's work in their lives! Food can be dropped off at Church of the Ascension Fri, April 24, 6:00pm-6:45pm or drop-off arranged with Gavin or Abbay. Sign up here: tinyurl.com/rufgrad2026 or contact Gavin Breeden gavin.breeden@ruf.org or Abbay Kocsis abbay.kocsis@ruf.org</p> |
| <p>Membership Class May 22nd - 23rd</p> | <p>If you are interested in learning more about City Reformed and/or joining the church, you're invited to attend our next Membership Class! Contact Pastor Joseph Bianco (joseph@cityreformed.org) for info.</p> |
| <p>Women's Ministry Job Opening</p> | <p>After a period of discernment, we have revised and updated the job description for women's ministry, now with a title of Coordinator for Women's Ministry. The job description can be found on our website. Contact Matt with questions and interest (pastormatt@cityreformed.org)</p> |

Regular Events

www.cityreformed.org/events

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| <p>College Shuttle Sundays</p> | <p>9:30AM - PPU: 201 Wood St; Contact Amy: amy@cityreformed.org 9:40AM - Duquesne University: 1015 Forbes Ave; Contact Nameun: nameun@cityreformed.org 9:55AM - PITT: 4024 O'Hara St; Contact Gavin: gavin.breeden@ruf.org</p> |
| <p>Agora Forum Biweekly Mondays, 7PM, 300 Saline Street</p> | <p>Next meeting: 3/30. Continuing series on apologetics as Daniel Maienschein discusses argument for God from pure math. Contact Alex Main: amain8511@gmail.com</p> |
| <p>Global Missions Prayer Mondays @ 9:00 PM</p> | <p>This week we are praying for Hannah Nation & China Partnership. Held on Zoom: https://tinyurl.com/cityreformedglobalprayer</p> |
| <p>Bean Sprouts 3rd Wednesday 12:00 PM</p> | <p>The next Bean Sprouts meeting will be Wednesday, April 15th at noon in the Greenfield Chapel. Contact Joe Stehle: joestehle@gmail.com.</p> |
| <p>Wednesday Prayer Meetings 8:30-9:30 AM</p> | <p>Please join us for Scripture reading, adoration, thanksgiving, and sharing prayer requests. Held on Zoom at: https://tinyurl.com/crpcwednesdayprayer.</p> |
| <p>Youth Group Biweekly Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30 PM Greenfield Chapel</p> | <p>An opportunity for MS and HS students to connect with God through His Word & connect with one another through games, Bible teaching, discussion, & prayer. Current study: themes of discipline & reproof in Proverbs.</p> |
| <p>Young Adult Women's Discipleship Group Wednesdays, 7:00 PM</p> | <p>Meets biweekly on the North Side. Contact Lindsay Karr for more info: lindsay.karr@gmail.com.</p> |
| <p>Men's New Hope Bi-Weekly Wednesdays</p> | <p>A ministry for men struggling with various kinds of sexual sin. We practice accountability, scripture reading, and book work. If you are interested in joining, you'll need to first meet with the group leader. Please contact joseph@cityreformed.org for more information.</p> |
| <p>Thursday Women's Bible Study 1:00-3:00 PM</p> | <p>Turn Your Eyes: A Bible Study on the Psalms. Thursdays from 1:00-3:00PM at Cathy Taylor's House. Contact Cathy Taylor (lawyerdad5@aol.com).</p> |
| <p>Mommies' Discipleship 2nd and 4th Thursdays 7 PM - 9 PM</p> | <p>Meets at the home of Sandy Snoke (scsnoke@comcast.net). Enjoy tea & fellowship with other moms, studying the Sermon on the Mount & praying for one another.</p> |
| <p>Young Adults Fellowship</p> | <p>Young Adults Fellowship is a monthly time of fellowship, food, and connection for young adults at City. Contact Michele Kloes, michele.kloes@gmail.com, for more info.</p> |
| <p>Ultimate Frisbee Thursdays</p> | <p>Ultimate frisbee group meets Thursday evenings. All skill levels are welcome! Contact Dan Toney (danielrtoney@gmail.com) for more information.</p> |

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- cityreformed.org/collegestudents

Community Groups

meet for Bible study, fellowship, and service. Contact Elder Ben Chidester (ben@cityreformed.org) or visit our website at www.cityreformed.org/community-groups/

Sunday:

Fox Chapel - Watson Barker
North Hills - David Bacon

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
West Hills - Jon Dodd

Friday:

East Suburban - Joe Stehle

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