



Sunday Morning Worship
May 31, 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

"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", Harry Chapin

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.
Pittsburgh, PA 15207

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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Donations

Online: Church Center App (Give)
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Church)

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Morning Worship Service

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Presider: Elder Craig Kozminski

Call to Worship: 1 John 1:1-4

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

Leader That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—

People **The life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us—**

Leader That which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ.

People **And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.**

Prayer of Invocation

This Is Our God

(Words & Music: Zach Jones, Doug Plank, Neil Degraide, Dave Fournier, and George Romanacce)

God our Father full of power
Maker of the heavens maker of the world
Forming all things seen and unseen
Truly the Almighty beyond all measured worth
Holy is his name

*We believe the Lord our God is One
Father Spirit Son this is our God
We believe forever he will reign
Let the church proclaim this is our God*

Our Lord Jesus, sent to save us
Born unto a virgin lived a perfect life
Greatly suffered dying for us
From the grave he's risen seated now on high
Holy is his name

Jesus will come back again
To judge the living and the dead
Usher in the age to come
Let everyone sing amen

Spirit, Holy One in glory
Speaking through the prophets empowering the Church
Life is given by and through him
With the Son and Father worshiped and adored
Holy is his name

Rejoice

(Words & Music: Ben Shive, Bryan Fowler, Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, and Skye Peterson 2022)

Rejoice in the Lord now and always,
Sing it again, we rejoice
Delight in the love he has shown us,
Gratefully lift up your voice

His gentleness among us
Will join our hearts with praise
We gather in his goodness,
A family of grace

*With each breath he's given,
Praise the Lord
In these times we live in,
We will praise the Lord
Throughout ev'ry season, I am sure
We have ev'ry reason
To praise the Lord*

Rejoice and be anxious for nothing,
Praying for all that you need
Come with a song of thanksgiving,
Lay your requests at his feet

His peace will fall upon us
To guard our hearts and minds
In Christ, who reigns eternal,
Shepherd of our lives

Rejoice in the Lord now and always,
Tell of the good he has done
Worship the Lord to remember,
All of the joy yet to come

The hope that burns within us,
The dark cannot destroy
With praise that's never ending,
We say again rejoice

Scripture Reading: Lamentations 3:22-41

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

(Words: Thomas Obediah Chisholm; Music: William Marion Runyan 1923)

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with thee;
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see:
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Call to Confession: 1 John 1:8-9

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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 John 2:1-2

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

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

Missions Moment: Ethiopia Short Term Missions Team

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).

Your Labor Is Not in Vain

(Words & Music: Isaac Wardell, Paul Zach, & Wendell Kimbrough 2017)

Your labor is not in vain
Though the ground underneath you is cursed and stained
Your planting and reaping are never the same
But your labor is not in vain

Your labor is not unknown
Though the rocks they cry out and the sea it may groan
The place of your toil may not seem like a home
But your labor is not unknown

*For I am with you, I am with you
I am with you, I am with you
For I have called you, called you by name
Your labor is not in vain*

The vineyards you plant will bear fruit
The fields will sing out and rejoice with the truth
For all that is old will at last be made new
The vineyards you plant will bear fruit

The houses you labor to build
Will fina'ly with laughter and joy be filled
The serpent that hurts and destroys will be killed
And all that is broken be healed

Pastoral Prayer

At this time, children ages 4-6 are invited to continue their worship at Children's Church. Parents, please have your children meet the teachers at the back of the sanctuary and pick them up after the sermon from Children's Church in room 118.

Sermon: Psalm 78:1-43, 67-72

"Tell the Coming Generation"

- Pastor Matt Koerber

To the choirmaster: according to The Doe of the Dawn. A Psalm of David.

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth!

²I will open my mouth in a parable;

I will utter dark sayings from of old,

³things that we have heard and known,

that our fathers have told us.

⁴We will not hide them from their children,

but tell to the coming generation

the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might,

and the wonders that he has done.

⁵He established a testimony in Jacob

and appointed a law in Israel,

which he commanded our fathers

to teach to their children,

⁶that the next generation might know them,

the children yet unborn,

and arise and tell them to their children,

⁷ so that they should set their hope in God

and not forget the works of God,

but keep his commandments;

⁸and that they should not be like their fathers,

a stubborn and rebellious generation,

a generation whose heart was not steadfast,

whose spirit was not faithful to God.

⁹The Ephraimites, armed with the bow,
turned back on the day of battle.

¹⁰They did not keep God's covenant,
but refused to walk according to his law.

¹¹They forgot his works
and the wonders that he had shown them.

¹²In the sight of their fathers he performed wonders
in the land of Egypt, in the fields of Zoan.

¹³He divided the sea and let them pass through it,
and made the waters stand like a heap.

¹⁴In the daytime he led them with a cloud,
and all the night with a fiery light.

¹⁵He split rocks in the wilderness
and gave them drink abundantly as from the deep.

¹⁶He made streams come out of the rock
and caused waters to flow down like rivers.

¹⁷Yet they sinned still more against him,
rebelling against the Most High in the desert.

¹⁸They tested God in their heart
by demanding the food they craved.

¹⁹They spoke against God, saying,
“Can God spread a table in the wilderness?

²⁰He struck the rock so that water gushed out
and streams overflowed.

Can he also give bread
or provide meat for his people?”

²¹Therefore, when the LORD heard, he was full of wrath;
a fire was kindled against Jacob;

his anger rose against Israel,
²²because they did not believe in God
and did not trust his saving power.

²³Yet he commanded the skies above
and opened the doors of heaven,
²⁴and he rained down on them manna to eat
and gave them the grain of heaven.
²⁵Man ate of the bread of the angels;
he sent them food in abundance.
²⁶He caused the east wind to blow in the heavens,
and by his power he led out the south wind;
²⁷he rained meat on them like dust,
winged birds like the sand of the seas;
²⁸he let them fall in the midst of their camp,
all around their dwellings.
²⁹And they ate and were well filled,
for he gave them what they craved.
³⁰But before they had satisfied their craving,
while the food was still in their mouths,
³¹the anger of God rose against them,
and he killed the strongest of them
and laid low the young men of Israel.

³²In spite of all this, they still sinned;
despite his wonders, they did not believe.
³³So he made their days vanish like a breath,
and their years in terror.
³⁴When he killed them, they sought him;
they repented and sought God earnestly.
³⁵They remembered that God was their rock,
the Most High God their redeemer.
³⁶But they flattered him with their mouths;
they lied to him with their tongues.
³⁷Their heart was not steadfast toward him;
they were not faithful to his covenant.
³⁸Yet he, being compassionate,
atoned for their iniquity

and did not destroy them;
he restrained his anger often
and did not stir up all his wrath.
³⁹He remembered that they were but flesh,
a wind that passes and comes not again.
⁴⁰How often they rebelled against him in the wilderness
and grieved him in the desert!
⁴¹They tested God again and again
and provoked the Holy One of Israel.
⁴²They did not remember his power
or the day when he redeemed them from the foe,
⁴³when he performed his signs in Egypt
and his marvels in the fields of Zoan...

⁶⁷...He rejected the tent of Joseph;
he did not choose the tribe of Ephraim,
⁶⁸but he chose the tribe of Judah,
Mount Zion, which he loves.
⁶⁹He built his sanctuary like the high heavens,
like the earth, which he has founded forever.
⁷⁰He chose David his servant
and took him from the sheepfolds;
⁷¹from following the nursing ewes he brought him
to shepherd Jacob his people,
Israel his inheritance.
⁷²With upright heart he shepherded them
and guided them with his skillful hand.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Additional Scripture

1 Corinthians 10:1-5 / For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

1 Corinthians 10:12-13 / Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

Ephesians 3:20-21 / Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Songs of Thanksgiving

Hold Our Children Fast | Psalm 78

(Words & Music: Daniel Snoke & Naaman Wood 2020)

We regret the things we've lost
And name the failures from our past
We confess the common sin
Of our fathers and our mothers
We won't hide them from our children

*Our hope, it is not in our own strength
Made or lost in the darkness of the past
Oh our hope, it is in your saving pow'r
For in ev'ry age your love will last
And you will hold our children fast*

We refuse to follow God
Or trust his power to provide
We complain and test his grace
But he shows us loving kindness
We won't hide it from our children

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."

Congratulations to our 2026 High School Graduates!

Owyn Campbell
Elena Hilton
Grace Hooper
Norah Koerber
Matthew Love
Emma Schartner

Benediction

At tonight's Worship Service, Reverend Nameun Cho will be preaching from Joshua 13:1-7; 14:6-15, "Whole-Hearted Obedience."

Announcements

www.cityreformed.org/events

<p>Capital Campaign Update</p>	<p>Friday, May 22: Info Packet email Sunday, May 24: Q&A <i>after</i> AM service Sunday, May 31: Q&A <i>before</i> AM service Tuesday, June 2: 8-9pm via Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86729152270 Sunday, June 7: Congregational Meeting with vote <i>after</i> AM service</p>
<p>High School Graduate Recognition TODAY WT Cafeteria</p>	<p>Celebrate & pray for our HS graduates as a church family, recognizing the accomplishments of our covenant children! Our HS graduates & families are invited to a lunch immediately after Morning Worship.</p>
<p>Ethiopia Missions BP Clinic TODAY after Morning Worship WT Room G18</p>	<p>Join us to get your blood pressure taken by future youth triage support, Abiel Bates & Zachary Chan, under Dr. Stephen Chan's clinical oversight. Support our youth missionaries as they practice for the clinics and learn how they'll be serving in Ethiopia this summer.</p>
<p>Medical Missions Opportunity, Ethiopia</p>	<p>CRPC will be sending a medical mission team to Ethiopia 6/27-7/5. Contact Alex Watt alex@alexcwatt.com.</p>
<p>Parents' Night Out (HS) Saturday, June 13th 5PM - 8PM 300 Saline St</p>	<p>The Youth Ministry is hosting a Parents' Night Out to raise support for our short-term mission trip in June. More info to come (including a registration), but save the date for now!</p>
<p>Women's Nail Day Saturday, June 13th 1PM - 3:30PM Greenfield Chapel</p>	<p>Girls & women of all ages are invited to an afternoon of manicures and fellowship! Nail polish and nail art supplies will be provided. Contact Elizabeth McMillan at 412-5116-4117 or elizabeth.mcmillan20@gmail.com.</p>
<p>Men's Camping Trip Friday, June 19th - Saturday, June 20th Moraine State Park</p>	<p>Activities will include ultimate frisbee, relaxing by a campfire, fishing from Captain Luke's boat, bike riding & swimming. Registration https://tinyurl.com/CRPCMensCampingTrip2026 is required. Contact Adam Schwab for questions.</p>
<p>Rainforest Falls VBS July 20-24th 10AM - 12:30PM</p>	<p>VBS registration open for adult & youth volunteers & children attendees age 4 to rising 5th graders! Special need for Decorating Team to plan & supervise decorations, no need to attend VBS to help. Still needed: 6 more adults, (2 Bible teachers, 1 Bible Memory Leader, 1 craft leader, & 2 group leaders), 6 youth. Contact Debbie Bacon for info or visit cityreformed.org/vbs</p>

Regular Events

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College Shuttle Sundays	Shuttle will be on pause for the summer, starting May 10th.
Agora Forum Biweekly Mondays, 7PM, Allen Hall G-10	Next meeting is 6/8. Allen Hall G-10 (on Pitt's campus.) Contact Alex Main: amain8511@gmail.com
Global Missions Prayer Mondays @ 9:00 PM	This week we will be praying for Adrienne Willhoft. Held on Zoom: https://tinyurl.com/cityreformedglobalprayer
Bean Sprouts 3rd Wednesday 12:00 PM	The next Bean Sprouts meeting will be a field trip to Rodef Shalom on Wednesday, June 17th at 11:55AM. Contact Joe Stehle: joestehle@gmail.com .
Wednesday Prayer Meetings 8:30-9:30 AM	Please join us for Scripture reading, adoration, thanksgiving, and sharing prayer requests. Held on Zoom at: https://tinyurl.com/crpcwednesdayprayer .
Youth Group Biweekly Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30 PM	We are continuing our bi-weekly Wednesday night schedule throughout the summer, gathering in the homes of our student families for informal fellowship and a brief Bible study. Hope you will join us when you're in town!
Young Adult Women's Discipleship Group Wednesdays, 7:00 PM	Meets biweekly on the North Side. Contact Lindsay Karr for more info: lindsay.karr@gmail.com .
Men's New Hope Bi-Weekly Wednesdays	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.
Thursday Women's Bible Study 1:00-3:00 PM	Studying Psalms. Thursdays from 1:00-3:00PM at Cathy Taylor's House. Contact Cathy Taylor (lawyerdad5@aol.com).
Summer Women's Bible Studies Various Locations	This summer we will study Remember Your Joy: Bible Stories of Salvation in the Old Testament by Courtney Doctor and Melissa Kruger in various locations around the city. Find details, purchase a book & register here: https://tinyurl.com/CRPCSummerStudies2026 .
Young Adults Fellowship	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.
Ultimate Frisbee Thursdays	Ultimate frisbee group meets Thursday evenings. All skill levels are welcome! Contact Dan Toney (danielrtoney@gmail.com)
Summer RUF Wednesdays 6:30 PM	Hosted at Various locations. ALL college students, HS grads welcome. Contact Gavin, gavin.breeden@ruf.org

College Students please refer to campus ministry contacts below:

- CMU: Chris Bollinger (cwbollinger@gmail.com)
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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 Bencotter
Squirrel Hill - Ben Chidester

Wednesday:

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

Thursday:

Shadyside - Chris Bollinger
West Hills - Jon Dodd

Friday:

East Suburban - Joe Stehle

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