



Sunday Morning Worship
July 19, 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

"All my intimate friends abhor me,
and those whom I loved have turned against me.
My bones stick to my skin and to my flesh,
and I have escaped by the skin of my teeth.
Have mercy on me, have mercy on me, O you my friends,
for the hand of God has touched me!
Why do you, like God, pursue me?
Why are you not satisfied with my flesh?

"Oh that my words were written!
Oh that they were inscribed in a book!
Oh that with an iron pen and lead
they were engraved in the rock forever!
For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and at the last he will stand upon the earth."

– Job 19:19-25

About Us

Sunday Morning Worship Service

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

LIVESTREAM: tinyurl.com/CRPCLive

Sunday Evening Worship Service

5:30PM
Greenfield Chapel
3929 Coleman Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15207

Welcome Information:



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Morning Worship Service

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Presider: Elder David Bacon

Call to Worship: Psalm 111:1-10

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

Leader Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation. Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them. Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.

People He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and merciful. He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever.

Leader He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the inheritance of the nations. The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy; they are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

People He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name! The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever!

Prayer of Invocation

I Know That My Redeemer Lives - Glory Hallelujah

(Words: Samuel Medley 1775; Music: Southern Harmony American Folk Melody 1900's)

I know that my redeemer lives
Glory hallelujah
What comfort this sweet sentence gives
Glory hallelujah

*Shout on pray on we're gaining ground
Glory hallelujah
The dead's alive and the lost is found
Glory hallelujah*

He lives he lives who once was dead
Glory hallelujah
He lives my everlasting Head
Glory hallelujah

He lives to bless me with his love
Glory hallelujah
He lives to plead for me above
Glory hallelujah

He lives all glory to his name
Glory hallelujah
He lives my Jesus still the same
Glory hallelujah

All Glory Be To Christ

(Words: Dustin Kensrue; Music: "Auld Lang Syne" 2012)

Should nothing of our efforts stand, no legacy survive
Unless the Lord does raise the house, in vain its builders strive
To you who boast tomorrow's gain, tell me what is your life
A mist that vanishes at dawn, all glory be to Christ

*All glory be to Christ our king, all glory be to Christ
His rule and reign we'll ever sing, all glory be to Christ*

His will be done, his kingdom come, on earth as is above
Who is himself our daily bread, praise him the Lord of love
Let living water satisfy the thirsty without price
We'll take a cup of kindness yet, all glory be to Christ

When on the day the great I Am, the faithful and the true
The Lamb who was for sinners slain is making all things new
Behold our God shall live with us and be our steadfast light
And we shall e'er his people be, all glory be to Christ

Scripture Reading: Psalm 130:5-7

All I Have Is Christ

(Words & Music: Jordan Kauflin 2008)

*Hallelujah all I have is Christ
Hallelujah Jesus is my life*

I once was lost in darkest night
Yet thought I knew the way
The sin that promised joy and life
Had led me to the grave
I had no hope that you would own
A rebel to your will
And if you had not loved me first
I would refuse you still

But as I ran my hell-bound race
Indifferent to the cost
You looked upon my helpless state
And led me to the cross
And I beheld God's love displayed
You suffered in my place
You bore the wrath reserved for me
Now all I know is grace

Now Lord I would be yours alone
And live so all might see
The strength to follow your commands
Could never come from me
O Father use my ransomed life
In any way you choose
And let my song forever be
My only boast is You

Call to Confession: Colossians 3:5-11

Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming. In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

Prayer of Confession: "Resting on God", from the Valley of Vision, Arthur Bennett - looking to God, recognizing a need for God

Oh God, I come to You as a sinner with cares and sorrows, to leave every concern entirely to You - every sin which calls for Christ's precious blood. Revive deep spirituality in my heart. Let me live near to the great Shepherd: hear His voice, know its tones, and follow its calls. Keep me from deception by causing me to abide in truth. Keep me from harm by helping me to walk in the power of the Spirit. Give me intense faith in the eternal truth, burning into me by experience the things I know. Let me never be ashamed of the truth of the gospel, that I may bear its reproach and live in a way that vindicates it. Let me see Jesus as its essence and find in it the power of the Spirit.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Romans 8:1-4

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

Missions Moment: Sarah Gould, RUF-International at UCSD

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).

Lamb Of God

(Words & Music: Twila Paris 1985)

Your only son no sin to hide
But you have sent him from your side
To walk upon this guilty sod
And to become the Lamb of God

Your gift of love they crucified
They laughed and scorned him as he died
The humble King they named a fraud
And sacrificed the Lamb of God

*O Lamb of God sweet Lamb of God
I love the holy Lamb of God
O wash me in his precious blood
My Jesus Christ the Lamb of God*

I was so lost I should have died
But you have brought me to your side
To be led by your staff and rod
And to be called the Lamb of God

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 115B.

Sermon: Psalm 39

"That I May Smile Again"

- Reverend Joseph Bianco

To the choirmaster: to Jeduthun. A Psalm of David.

I said, "I will guard my ways,
that I may not sin with my tongue;
I will guard my mouth with a muzzle,
so long as the wicked are in my presence."

²I was mute and silent;

I held my peace to no avail,
and my distress grew worse.

³ My heart became hot within me.

As I mused, the fire burned;
then I spoke with my tongue:

⁴"O LORD, make me know my end
and what is the measure of my days;
let me know how fleeting I am!

⁵Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths,
and my lifetime is as nothing before you.

Surely all mankind stands as a mere breath! Selah

⁶ Surely a man goes about as a shadow!

Surely for nothing they are in turmoil;
man heaps up wealth and does not know who will
gather!

⁷"And now, O LORD, for what do I wait?

My hope is in you.

⁸Deliver me from all my transgressions.

Do not make me the scorn of the fool!

⁹I am mute; I do not open my mouth,
for it is you who have done it.

¹⁰Remove your stroke from me;
I am spent by the hostility of your hand.

¹¹When you discipline a man
with rebukes for sin,
you consume like a moth what is dear to him;
surely all mankind is a mere breath! Selah

¹²“Hear my prayer, O LORD,
and give ear to my cry;
hold not your peace at my tears!

For I am a sojourner with you,
a guest, like all my fathers.

¹³Look away from me, that I may smile again,
before I depart and am no more!”

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Additional Scripture

Job 2:10 / But he said to her, "You speak as one of the foolish women would speak. Shall we receive good from God, and shall we not receive evil?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

Job 9:34 / Let him take his rod away from me, and let not dread of him terrify me.

Job 13:28 / Man wastes away like a rotten thing, like a garment that is moth-eaten.

Job 40:4 / "Behold, I am of small account; what shall I answer you? I lay my hand on my mouth."

Psalms 80:16 / They have burned it with fire; they have cut it down; may they perish at the rebuke of your face!

Luke 12:20 / But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?'

1 Corinthians 7:31 / and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

1 Peter 2:11 / Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul.

Congregational Response: WCF 18.4

True believers may have the assurance of their salvation shaken in various ways, diminished, and cease for a time,

- **by negligence in preserving it,**
- **by falling into some special sin which wounds the conscience and grieves the Spirit;**
- **by some sudden or vehement temptation,**
- **or by God's withdrawing the light of his face, allowing even those who fear him to walk in darkness and to have no light.**

Yet are they never utterly destitute of the seed of God, the life of faith, the love of Christ and the brethren, sincerity of heart, and consciousness of duty, all of which the operation of the Spirit may use to revive this assurance in due time. In the meantime, they are supported by the Spirit from utter despair.

Songs of Thanksgiving

Wilderness

(Words & Music: Daniel Snoke, Keith Watts, & Naaman Wood 2020)

Ev'ry failure that we carry
Is a load you long to take
And redeem it for your glory
With the lightness of your grace
Though the wilderness is lonely
Though our hope may seem to wear
Still the wilderness is holy
For we find you meet us there

Ev'ry trial and temptation
Is a cross you call to bear
That we know more of your patience
And to feel your loving care
Though the wilderness is lonely
Though our faith may seem to bend
In the wilderness you closely
Guard our hearts unto the end

Ev'ry stain and imperfection
You are making wholly new
For our marks shall be reflections
Of the scars you carry too
Though the wilderness is lonely
Though we wander and we roam
Through the wilderness your only
Path of love will lead us home

Blessed is his name
Jesus Christ we sing
Worthy to be praised
Hallelujah!

Though the wilderness is lonely
Though we wander and we roam
Through the wilderness your only
Path of love will lead us home

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

(Words: Samuel Medley 1775; Music: "Duke Street" John Warrington Hatton 1793)

I know that my Redeemer lives;
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, He lives, who once was dead;
He lives, my everlasting Head.

He lives to bless me with His love,
He lives to lead for me above.
He lives to raise me from the grave,
And me eternally to save.

He lives to grant me daily breath,
He lives and I shall conquer death.
He lives, all glory to His name,
Jesus unchangeably the same.

Benediction

At tonight's Worship Service we will be continuing our series in Joshua. Reverend Nameun Cho will be preaching from Joshua 24:1-28, "A Promise for the Ages."

Announcements

www.cityreformed.org/events

Rainforest Falls VBS July 20-24th 10AM - 12:30PM 	Register now and invite your friends to Rainforest Falls VBS! Children attendees, ages 4 to rising 5th graders, and youth volunteers still needed. Email Debbie at vbs@cityreformed.org with any questions, and register at cityreformed.org/vbs . To donate supplies, order from our Amazon Wish List at this link: https://a.co/08qOfiai
Backyard Pool Day Saturday, July 25th 2:00 PM to 8:00 PM The Kephart's House	All MS and HS students are invited to spend the afternoon in the Kephart's backyard, enjoying their grill and pool! If you are planning to come, please register through Church Center by July 22nd so that we can get a headcount for food.
Haymaker Pool August 8 7PM - 9PM	Do you or your kids enjoy swimming? Please mark your calendar to join East Suburban friends at a Pool Party on Saturday night, August 8 (weather permitting). Haymaker Pool, 7:00 to 9:00 PM in Monroeville. Details to follow, bring snacks to share.

Regular Events

www.cityreformed.org/events

College Shuttle Sundays	Shuttle will be on pause for the summer.
Agora Forum Biweekly Mondays, 7PM, Allen Hall G-10	Next meeting is July 27th. Allen Hall G-10 (on Pitt's campus.) Contact Alex Main: amain8511@gmail.com
Global Missions Prayer Mondays @ 9 PM	This week we will be praying for Andrew and Amy. Held on Zoom: https://tinyurl.com/cityreformedglobalprayer
Bean Sprouts 3rd Wednesday, 12 PM	The next Bean Sprouts meeting will be on Wednesday, August 19th. 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 PM	Meets biweekly on the North Side. Contact Lindsay Karr for more info: lindsay.karr@gmail.com .
Summer RUF Wednesdays 6:30 PM	Hosted at various locations. ALL college students, HS grads welcome. Contact Gavin, gavin.breeden@ruf.org
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 - 3 PM	Studying Psalms. Thursdays from 1-3:00PM 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)

College Students please refer to campus ministry contacts below:

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- CCO at PPU: Matt Koerber (pastormatt@cityreformed.org)
- RUF at Pitt: Gavin Breeden and Callie Miller (gavin.breeden@ruf.org, callie.miller@ruf.org)
- cityreformed.org/university/

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
East Suburban - Joe Stehle

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 Snoke

Thursday:

Shadyside - Chris Bollinger
West Hills - Jon Dodd

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