



Sunday Morning Worship
August 16, 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

"The goal of missions is the gladness of the peoples in the greatness of God."

– John Piper

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
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Morning Worship Service

City Reformed Presbyterian Church

Sunday Morning Worship – August 16, 2026

Presider: Reverend Nameun Cho

Call to Worship: Isaiah 2:2-5

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

Leader It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be lifted up above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it,

People And many peoples shall come, and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths."

Leader For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

People He shall judge between the nations, and shall decide disputes for many peoples;

Leader And they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.

People O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD.

Prayer of Invocation

Isaiah 2 | Come Let Us Walk In The Light

(Words & Music: Daniel Snoke 2019)

Come to the mountain of the LORD,
A home for the nations.
Come to the hill above all hills,
Greater than kingdoms.
People from all the earth will flow
Into his presence.

*Come let us walk in the light of the LORD.
Come let us walk in the light of the LORD.*

Let us go up to meet with God
And follow his pathway.
Let the LORD teach us in the Word
That goes out from Zion.
The Law of the LORD will be the light
That leads us to worship.

Bring your dispute before the LORD,
And look for his justice.
Bring to our God your love for war;
Replace it with mercy.
Nations will lay their weapons down
And take up forgiveness.

Approach My Soul

(Words: John Newton 1779; Music & Lyrics: Jordan Kauflin & Laura Story 2023)

Approach my soul the mercy seat
Where Jesus answers prayer
There humbly fall before his feet
For none can perish there

Thy promise is my only plea
With this I venture nigh
Thou calls our burdened souls to Thee
And such O Lord am I

*Oh wondrous love
Oh boundless grace
Rejoice my soul forever
Christ has made a way*

Bowed down beneath a load of sin
By satan sorely pressed
By wars without and fears within
I come to Thee for rest

Be Thou my shield and hiding place
That sheltered near Thy side
I may my fierce accuser face
And tell him Thou hast died

O wondrous love to bleed and die
To bear the cross and shame
That guilty sinners such as I
Might plead Thy gracious name

The tempted soul he tells be still
My promised grace receive
'Tis Jesus speaks I must I will
I can I do believe
'Tis Jesus speaks I must I will
I can I do believe

Scripture Reading: Psalm 45:1-6

Fairest Lord Jesus

(Words: Unknown; Music: Silesian Folk Melody)

Fairest Lord Jesus ruler of all nature
O Thou of God and Man the Son
Thee will I cherish Thee will I honor
Thou my soul's glory joy and crown

Fair are the meadows fairer still the woodlands
Robed in the blooming garb of spring
Jesus is fairer Jesus is purer
Who makes the woeful heart to sing

Fair is the sunshine fairer still the moonlight
And all the twinkling starry host
Jesus shines brighter Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels heav'n can boast

Beautiful Savior Lord of all the nations
Son of God and Son of Man
Glory and honor praise adoration
Now and forevermore be Thine

Call to Confession: Isaiah 1:18

"Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

Prayer of Confession:

LORD, you are holy and majestic. You dwell in unapproachable light. Your purity is like a holy fire – it consumes all sin. You are the most beautiful, vibrant, and interesting being in the universe.

And yet we are corrupt. When we begin to comprehend what you are truly like we understand how far short we fall from your glory. Without your mercy we are lost. Our lips are unclean. Our words bring death instead of life. They reveal our hearts – self worship and malice.

But we know that you are merciful. Christ went to the altar to atone for our sin. We trust him and ask you to cleanse us. Change our desires that we would be drawn to your glory. Renew us again and again as you form us increasingly into the image of Jesus. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the **LORD** of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death forever; and the **Lord God** will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the **LORD** has spoken. It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the **LORD**; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

Missions Moment: Ethiopia 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).

Psalm 126

(Words & Music: Isaac Wardell 2012)

Our mouths, they were filled,
Filled with laughter;
Our tongues, they were loosed,
Loosed with joy.
Restore us, O Lord!
Restore us, O Lord!

*Although we are weeping,
Lord help us keep sowing
The seeds of your Kingdom
For the day you will reap them.
Your sheaves we will carry;
Lord, please do not tarry!
All those who sow weeping
Will go out with songs of joy.*

The nations will say
"He has done great things!"
The nations will sing
Songs of joy.
Restore us, O Lord!
Restore us, O Lord!

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 67

"Let All the Peoples Praise You"

- Reverend Matt Koerber

To the choirmaster: with stringed instruments. A Psalm. A Song.

May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,
²that your way may be known on earth,
your saving power among all nations.
³Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

⁴Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.

⁵Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

⁶The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, shall bless us.

⁷God shall bless us;
let all the ends of the earth fear him!

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Additional Scripture

Isaiah 60:3 / And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.

Revelation 7:9-10 / After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

Revelation 21:24 / By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it,

Revelation 22:2 / Through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

Congregational Response: Lausanne Covenant: Article #1. The Purpose of God

We affirm our belief in the one eternal God, Creator and Lord of the world, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who governs all things according to the purpose of his will. He has been calling out from the world a people for himself, and sending his people back into the world to be his servants and his witnesses, for the extension of his kingdom, the building up of Christ's body, and the glory of his name. We confess with shame that we have often denied our calling and failed in our mission, by becoming conformed to the world or by withdrawing from it. Yet we rejoice that, even when borne by earthen vessels, the gospel is still a precious treasure. To the task of making that treasure known in the power of the Holy Spirit we desire to dedicate ourselves anew.

Notes

Songs of Thanksgiving

Psalm 96 | Christ is the Lord Redeemer and King

(Words & Music: Daniel Snoke, Jalen Bell, Nate Glasper Jr., Eron Lauchié 2024)

Sing to the LORD, sing a new song
To God whom the glory of nations belong
Trust in the LORD and not empty praise
For Great is the LORD and great are his ways

Give to the LORD O drifter and saint
Give to the LORD both glory and strength
Bring him your life and make it his throne
Offer your heart and enter his home

*Say the LORD reigns, he's breaking the curse
Here the LORD brings his kingdom to earth
Now The LORD reigns! With heaven we sing
"Christ is the Lord Redeemer and King"*

The heavens rejoice with earth and the sea
They join in the song of true jubilee
Creation proclaims the day of the Lord
And kingdom shalom will soon be restored

*Say the LORD reigns! All nations and tribes
Here the LORD reigns, the church as his bride
Now The LORD reigns! Let everyone sing
"Christ is the Lord Redeemer and King"*

His good good justice is fixed like the mountains
His faithfulness and mercy are boundless

Psalm 72 | Jesus Shall Reign

(Words: Isaac Watts 1719; Music "Duke Street" John Hatton 1793)

Jesus shall reign wher e'er the sun
Does his successive journeys run
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore
Till moons shall rise and set no more

To him shall endless prayer be made
And princes throng to crown his head
His name like sweet perfume shall rise
With every morning sacrifice

People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on his love with sweetest song
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on his name

Blessings abound wherever he reigns
The pris'ner leaps to lose his chains
The weary find eternal rest
And all the sons of want are blest

Let every creature rise and bring
The highest honors to our King
Angels descend with songs again
And earth repeats the loud amen

Benediction

At tonight's Worship Service, Reverend Joseph Bianco will be preaching from Matthew 15:21-28, "Am I a Dog?"

Announcements

www.cityreformed.org/events

Youth Ministry Fall Kick-Off (MS&HS) Sunday, August 30th 12PM - 2PM Schenley Park Overlook	We will be celebrating the start of another academic year by gathering at the Schenley Park Overlook immediately after Morning Worship for fellowship and yard games. Snacks will be provided, but we are asking that students pack their own lunches and bring a picnic blanket if they have one. See you there!
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Regular Events

www.cityreformed.org/events

College Shuttle Sundays Starting back August 23rd	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
Agora Forum Biweekly Mondays, 7PM, Allen Hall G-10	Next meeting is August 10th. 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 Jon and Beka. 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 will resume our regular weekly and bi-weekly programming in September (i.e., Youth Group on Sept. 9th and Sunday School resumes on Sept. 13th)!
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 .
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).
Mommies Group 2nd & 4th Thursdays Sandy Snoke's House	Mommies' group will resume in September meeting again on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month. We will be going through a topical study on Rest.
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:

- CMU: Chris Bollinger (cwbollinger@gmail.com)
- CCO at PPU: Matt Koerber (pastormatt@cityreformed.org)
- RUF at Pitt: Gavin Breeden, Callie Miller, & Nehara Andrews. (***gavin.breeden@ruf.org, callie.miller@ruf.org, nehara.andrews@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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