



"The essence of sin is man substituting himself for God, while the essence of salvation is God substituting himself for man."

- John Stott, The Cross of Christ

Sunday Evening Worship
November 1, 2026

Evening Worship Service

City Reformed Presbyterian Church

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Presider: Reverend Nameun Cho

Call to Worship: Psalm 22:3-5, 9-10, 25-28

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

Leader Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel. In you our fathers trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.

People **To you they cried and were rescued; in you they trusted and were not put to shame.**

Leader Yet you are he who took me from the womb; you made me trust you at my mother's breasts.

People **On you was I cast from my birth, and from my mother's womb you have been my God.**

Leader From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will perform before those who fear him.

People **The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD! May your hearts live forever!**

Leader All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations shall worship before you.

People **For kingship belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations.**

Prayer of Invocation

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

Here Is Love Vast As The Ocean (Everlasting Praise)

(Words: William Rees, William Edwards (1800's) & Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, & Matt Boswell (2024); Music: Robert Lowry 1876)

Here is love vast as the ocean,
Lovingkindness as the flood
When the Prince of Life, our ransom,
Shed for us his precious blood
Who his love will not remember?
Who can cease to sing his praise?
He can never be forgotten
Throughout heav'n's eternal days

On the mount of crucifixion,
Fountains opened deep and wide
Through the floodgates of God's mercy,
Flowed a vast and gracious tide
Grace and love, like mighty rivers,
Poured incessant from above
Heaven's peace and perfect justice
Kissed a guilty world in love

On the morn of resurrection
Mercy filled the thirsty grave
Where the stone of death burst open,
Springs of life flowed unrestrained
Love no heart could ever measure,
Joy no sorrows will outrun
Rush upon the soul believing
In the risen reigning Son

And oh, this love, vast love of Jesus,
Bids us come and drink and live
To this weary world of longing,
What more could our Savior give?
Now to Christ, who fully loved us
And who freed us from our sin
Be all glory and dominion,
Everlasting praise to him

Call to Confession: Psalm 22:1-2

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning? O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer, and by night, but I find no rest.

Prayer of Confession:

Father we want to be comfortable and we confess that often we want comfort more than we want to know you. We know that following Jesus means picking up our cross and denying ourselves, but we are often slow to do this.

We are thankful that you are determined to save your people. We praise you because you sent Jesus to die when we were your enemies. Salvation is your work. We look to Christ as our savior, and our source of strength.

We ask that you help us to view each disappointment and challenge as an opportunity to trust you and a place where you can reveal your power. Make us quick to cry out to you in prayer. Draw us to greater dependence on Christ. Glorify yourself by making us fruitful. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 22:19-24

But you, O LORD, do not be far off!

O you my help, come quickly to my aid!

Deliver my soul from the sword,

my precious life from the power of the dog!

Save me from the mouth of the lion!

You have rescued me from the horns of the wild oxen!

I will tell of your name to my brothers;

in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:

You who fear the LORD, praise him!

All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him,

and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!

For he has not despised or abhorred

the affliction of the afflicted,

and he has not hidden his face from him,

but has heard, when he cried to him.

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; 3929 Coleman St., 15207)

Christ Is Lower Still

(Words & Music: Matt Maher, Kate Bluett, Doe Jones 2023)

Breathe in reach out
Touch the hem of your garment now
Help me heal me
My mind my body and soul

*Let the King descend
Living Word Made Flesh
Lift this heavy heart
To your throne O God
In your wounds I find
Room for all of mine
When from grace I fell
Christ was lower still*

Humbly lowly
Jesus waits in the valley
My savior suffers with me
With him I'll rise again

*Let the King descend
Living Word Made Flesh
Lift this heavy heart
To your throne O God
In your wounds I find
Room for all of mine
When from grace I fell
Christ was lower
'Till the earth is filled
Christ is lower still*

We lift it all up to you Lord
We lift it all up to you Lord

Scripture & Homily: Luke 23:26-43

"Responses to the Cross"

- Reverend Nameun Cho

And as they led him away, they seized one Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, and laid on him the cross, to carry it behind Jesus. ²⁷And there followed him a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. ²⁸But turning to them Jesus said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹For behold, the days are coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!' ³⁰Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us,' and to the hills, 'Cover us.' ³¹For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

³²Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹And

we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.” ⁴²And he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” ⁴³And he said to him, “Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Song of Thanksgiving

It Was Finished Upon That Cross

(Words & Music: Jonny Robinson, Nigel Hendroff, & Rich Thompson 2021)

How I love the voice of Jesus
On the cross of Calvary
He declares his work is finished
He has spoken this hope to me
Though the sun had ceased its shining
Though the war appeared as lost
Christ had triumphed over evil
It was finished upon that cross

Now the curse it has been broken
Jesus paid the price for me
Full the pardon he has offered
Great the welcome that I receive
Boldly I approach my Father
Clothed in Jesus' righteousness
There is no more guilt to carry
It was finished upon that cross

Death was once my great opponent
Fear once had a hold on me
But the Son who died to save us
Rose that we would be free indeed
Yes he rose that we would be free indeed
Free from ev'ry plan of darkness
Free to live and free to love
Death is dead and Christ is risen
It was finished upon that cross

Onward to eternal glory
To my Savior and my God
I rejoice in Jesus' victory
It was finished upon that cross
It was finished upon that cross
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Benediction

Announcements

www.cityreformed.org/events

Annual Women's Mentor Soup and Dessert Lunch Sunday, November 8th After service - 1 PM WT Cafeteria	Come join us for soups & desserts while getting to know other women at CRPC & hearing stories about the mentorship program. The lunch will start in the cafeteria immediately following the morning worship service and will end at 1pm. Contact Sandy for more information: scsnoke@comcast.net
Guys' and Girls' Night Friday, November 13 6:30 PM-9:00 PM Greenfield Chapel or the Breeden's House	All male MS and HS students are invited to the Greenfield Chapel for our annual Mario Kart Tournament hosted by our male YM Disciplers! The female MS and HS students are invited to the Breeden's house up the street for games and fun!
CRPC Thanksgiving Dinner Sunday, November 15 5:30-7:30 JCC: 5738 Forbes Ave.	Our annual CRPC Thanksgiving Dinner will be November 15th at the JCC (Jewish Community Center) in Squirrel Hill. <i>Since the JCC is a Kosher facility, please do not include pork products (bacon, sausage) or shellfish (crab, lobster, scallops) in your dish. Also please do not combine meat and dairy in the same dish.</i> Sign-ups here: https://tinyurl.com/CRPC2026Thanks
RUF @ Pitt DL Hall, Room 104 Thursdays, 9PM	RUF at Pitt Large Group Worship and Bible Study, Thursdays, 9pm, David Lawrence Hall, room 104 on Pitt's campus. All college students are welcome!
Capital Campaign Prayer Time 300 Saline Street Saturday, Nov 14, 9AM Tuesday, Dec 8, 7:30PM	Thank you for praying for the Capital Campaign! Over the coming months, church leaders will invite each member to have a conversation about supporting the campaign. Questions? Contact our Campaign Manager, Allison Barker at allison@cityreformed.org . We are hosting a few half-hour times of intentional prayer for the Capital Campaign on these dates; please join us as we seek the Lord together.
Singers Wanted for Two New CRPC Choirs Sundays @ WT	1) MONTHLY POP-UP CHOIR: Once a month, we will sing 1-2 songs during worship. Arrive Sundays at 9:15am to go over vocal parts before worship. 2) SPECIAL MUSIC CHOIR: Anthems and special arrangements for choir based on seasonal needs. Rehearsals after church during fellowship hour. Contact Daniel Snoke for more info dsnoke@ccojubilee.org

Regular Events

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College Shuttle Sundays	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	Discussion group for philosophy, theology, and the broader culture from a Christian perspective. Next mtg: 11/9. Contact Alex Main: amain8511@gmail.com .
Global Missions Prayer Mondays @ 9 PM	This week we will be praying for MTW Bulgaria. Held on Zoom: https://tinyurl.com/cityreformedglobalprayer
Women's Bible Study Tuesdays 9:45-11:45AM Saline St.	A 5-7 week study on 1st John. Study taught by Paige Brown. We offer childcare. Contact Luda luda.bates@gmail.com for info on study.
Bean Sprouts 3rd Wednesday, 12 PM	The next Bean Sprouts meeting will be on Wednesday, November 18. 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/crcpwednesdayprayer .
Youth Group Biweekly Wednesdays, 6:30 - 8:30 PM	Studying spiritual maturity in the New Testament, with questions like, "What does it mean to be mature in the Christian life? How do we grow in maturity?"
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, & book work. If you are interested, email joseph@cityreformed.org to meet with the group leader.
Thursday Women's Bible Study 1 - 3 PM	Studying James: Walking in Wisdom. Thursdays from 1-3:00PM at Cathy Taylor's House. Contact Cathy Taylor (lawyerdad5@aol.com).
Mommies Group 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7 PM Sandy Snoke's House	Mommies' discipleship group meets the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month. Join us for fellowship, prayer and to explore what God's Word has to teach us about rest. Contact Sandy at scsnoke@comcast.net
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. 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

Tuesday (cont.):

Squirrel Hill - Ben Chidester
Greenfield B - Chris Bollinger

Wednesday:

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

Thursday:

West Hills - Jon Dodd

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