

Sunday Morning Service
November 15, 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

"Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to accomplish his work."

– John 4:34

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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Hours:

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

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Donations

Online: Church Center App (Give)
OR ***cityreformed.org/give***
Mail: Church Office address above "Attn: Bookkeeper" (please make checks payable to City Reformed Presbyterian Church)

For mothers in need, there are nursing rooms available in rooms 112B & 226D.

Morning Worship Service

City Reformed Presbyterian Church
Sunday Morning Worship – November 15, 2026
Presider: Reverend Nameun Cho

Call to Worship: Isaiah 49:8-16

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

Leader Thus says the LORD: "In a time of favor I have answered you; in a day of salvation I have helped you; I will keep you and give you as a covenant to the people, to establish the land, to apportion the desolate heritages,

People **Saying to the prisoners, 'Come out,' to those who are in darkness, 'Appear.'**

Leader They shall feed along the ways; on all bare heights shall be their pasture; they shall not hunger or thirst, neither scorching wind nor sun shall strike them,

People **For he who has pity on them will lead them, and by springs of water will guide them.**

Leader And I will make all my mountains a road, and my highways shall be raised up.

People **Behold, these shall come from afar, and behold, these from the north and from the west...**

Leader Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth; break forth, O mountains, into singing! For the LORD has comforted his people and will have compassion on his afflicted.

People **But Zion said, "The LORD has forsaken me; my Lord has forgotten me."**

Leader "Can a woman forget her nursing child, that she should have no compassion on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you.

People **Behold, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands; your walls are continually before me."**

Prayer of Invocation

Psalm 104 | Rejoice in All Your Works

(Words & Music: Wendell Kimbrough 2014)

Every mouth that cries for food,
Every lung that yearns for breath,
Every eye that searches through the dark for light—
All creation looks to you
For its breath and for its food.
From the goodness of your hand we're satisfied.

Oh rejoice in all your works,
King of Heaven, King of Earth!
Every creature you have made declares your praise.
We rejoice in all you've made,
God of all-sustaining grace!
With the mountain, sky, and sea, we sing your praise!

Every tree that thirsts for rain,
Every bird that seeks its nest,
Every heart that waits in hope to be made glad—
All creation looks to you
For its breath and for its food.
From the goodness of your hand we're satisfied

May the pond'rings of my heart,
And the song upon my lips,
With the chorus of creation join in praise:
To the God who made all things,
To the Spirit who sustains,
To the Son who over all creation reigns!

How Great Thou Art

(Words & Music: Carl Gustav Boberg 1949)

Oh Lord my God when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder
Thy power throughout the universe displayed

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees
When I look down, from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze

Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to thee
How great thou art, how great thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to thee
How great thou art, how great thou art

And when I think that God his son not sparing
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come with shouts of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim my God, how great thou art

Call to Confession: Isaiah 55:6-7

Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

Prayer of Confession:

Father, you alone are perfect and holy. We want to believe that we are pretty good people, but in reality our lives are dirty and our thoughts are impure. We sin daily in thought, word, and deed. We would love to cover this up and pretend that it is not true. But your law convicts us. When we see your commandments they become a mirror to us. We see that we are selfish and sinful. We hurt others and we turn from you. We have no hope of being righteous on our own.

So we thank you for Jesus. He is our righteousness. In his death we have life. In his resurrection we have power to put sin to death. By faith we are your children. Make your law clear to our eyes so that sin is clear and Christ is seen to be precious. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Ephesians 2:8-10

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

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 115B.

Sermon: 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:13

"Widen Your Hearts"

- Reverend Matt Koerber

Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making
his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of
Christ, be reconciled to God. [21]For our sake he made him to
be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the
righteousness of God.

[6:1]Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to
receive the grace of God in vain. [2]For he says,

> "In a favorable time I listened to you,
> and in a day of salvation I have helped you."

Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of
salvation. [3]We put no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no
fault may be found with our ministry, [4]but as servants of God
we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in
afflictions, hardships, calamities, [5]beatings, imprisonments,
riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; [6]by purity, knowledge,
patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; [7]by
truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of
righteousness for the right hand and for the left; [8]through
honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are
treated as impostors, and yet are true; [9]as unknown, and yet
well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and
yet not killed; [10]as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor,
yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing
everything.

[11]We have spoken freely to you, Corinthians; our heart
is wide open. [12]You are not restricted by us, but you are
restricted in your own affections. [13]In return (I speak as to
children) widen your hearts also.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Additional Scripture

Philippians 3:17 / Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us.

2 Timothy 1:13 / Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

Congregational Response: WSC #1

Q1. What is the main purpose of mankind?

A. Mankind's main purpose is to glorify God and to enjoy him forever.

Notes

Songs of Thanksgiving

Rejoice

(Words & Music: Ben Shive, Bryan Fowler, Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, & 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

To God Be The Glory

(Words: Fanny Crosby 1875 & Music: W. Howard Doane 1875)

To God be the glory great things he has done
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son
Who yielded his life an atonement for sin
And opened the life gate that all may go in

Praise the Lord! (Praise the Lord!)
Let the earth hear his voice
Praise the Lord! (Praise the Lord!)
Let the people rejoice
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son
And give him the glory, great things he has done

O perfect redemption the purchase of blood
To every believer the promise of God
The vilest offender who truly believes
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives

Great things he has taught us
Great things he has done
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son
But purer and higher and greater will be
Our wonder our transport when Jesus we see

Benediction

There will be no Evening Worship tonight due to our annual Thanksgiving Dinner at 5:30pm at the Jewish Community Center in Squirrel Hill.

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All scripture verses are the English Standard Version (ESV), unless otherwise noted.

Announcements

www.cityreformed.org/events

CRPC Thanksgiving Dinner TODAY, 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. ***Since the JCC is a Kosher facility, there are some food restrictions. Please see the sign up for details***: https://tinyurl.com/CRPC2026Thanks
Thanksgiving Day Pairings	If you're in town for the holiday and: a) need a place to go; or, b) have an extra seat at your dinner table register @ **https://crpc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/4007122**. We'll pair folks by the Tuesday before Thanksgiving.
RUF @ Pitt O'Hara Student Center Thursdays, 9PM	RUF at Pitt Large Group Worship and Bible Study, Thursdays, 9pm, O'Hara Student Center on Pitt's campus. All college students are welcome!
Capital Campaign Prayer Time 300 Saline Street 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.
Wreath Making Saturday, December 5 10AM-12PM 300 Saline Street, 15207	The women's ministry council is hosting their annual wreath making event at 300 Saline Street. Please register on Church Center to pay and reserve your wreath! **https://tinyurl.com/CRPCWreath2026**
Youth Ministry Christmas Party (MS & HS) Wednesday, December 16 6:30-8:30PM Greenfield Chapel	We invite all MS and HS students to join us in celebrating the season with Christmas-themed games followed by a white elephant gift exchange! There is a $10 limit on gifts, but we highly encourage saving the $10 by creatively regifting a present. Be sure to wrap your gift before arriving!
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: 11/23. 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***
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/crpcwednesdayprayer.***
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 Snoke

Thursday:
West Hills - Jon Dodd

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