

Sunday Morning All-Age Service
November 29, 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

"When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, 'Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life.'"

– Acts 11:18

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 29, 2026
Presider: Elder Dave Snoke

Call to Worship: Psalm 126

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

Leader When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

People **Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy;**

Leader Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."

People **The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad.**

Leader Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like streams in the Negeb!

People **Those who sow in tears shall reap with shouts of joy!**

Leader He who goes out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing,

People **Shall come home with shouts of joy, bringing his sheaves with him.**

Prayer of Invocation

O Come O Come Emmanuel

(Words: 1400's French Mass; Music: Veni Emmanuel Chant)

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.

Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, O come, thou Lord of might,
Who to Thy tribes on Sinai's height
In ancient times did give the law
In cloud and majesty and awe.

O come, Thou Son of Jesse, free
Thine own from Satan's tyranny;
From depths of hell Thy people save,
And give them victory o'er the grave.

O come, Thou Day-spring, come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine advent here;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight.

O come, Thou Key of David, come,
And open wide our heavenly home;
Make safe the way that leads on high,
And close the path to misery.

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:19

That is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

King of Kings

(Words & Music: Brooke Ligertwood, Jason Ingram, Scott Ligertwood 2018)

In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope without light
'Till from heaven you came running
There was mercy in your eyes
To fulfill the Law and Prophets
To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

Praise the Father praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of glory majesty
Praise forever to the King of Kings

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross
Now we see that in your suff'ring
You saw glory to behold
Knowing you were our salvation
Jesus for our sake you died

For the morning that you rose
All of heaven held its breath
'Till that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death
Then the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are re-stored

Then the Church of Christ was born
And the Spirit lit the flame
Now this gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel shall not faint
By his blood and in his name
In his freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me

Psalm 24 | We Long to See You

(Words & Music: Wendell Kimbrough 2015)

Almighty God, we long to see you.
Open our hearts and make them pure.
Spirit, we wash our hands in mercy.
Come teach our souls to love your truth.

Call to Confession: James 4:6-10

But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

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: Romans 8:1-2

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.

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

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).

Our Souls In Stillness Wait

(Words & Music: Marty Haugen 1982)

For you, oh Lord, our souls in stillness wait---
Truly our hope is in you.

O Lord of Light, our only hope of glory,
Your radiance shines in all who look to you;
Come, light the hearts of all in dark and shadow.

O Spring of Joy, rain down upon our spirits;
Our thirsty hearts are yearning for your word;
Come, make us whole, be comfort to our hearts.

O Root of Life, implant your seed within us,
And in your advent, draw us near to you,
Our hope reborn in dying and in rising.

O Key of Knowledge, guide us in our journey;
We ever seek, yet unfulfilled remain;
Open to us the pathway to your peace.

Pastoral Prayer

Today is an all-age service when our kids join us for the sermon. Pastor Matt will be giving out lollipops to those that present him with a drawing or notes of the sermon!

Sermon: 2 Corinthians 7:5-13

"Repentance that Leads to Life"

- Reverend Matt Koerber

For even when we came into Macedonia, our bodies had no
rest, but we were afflicted at every turn—fighting without
and fear within. 6But God, who comforts the downcast,
comforted us by the coming of Titus, 7and not only by his
coming but also by the comfort with which he was comforted
by you, as he told us of your longing, your mourning, your
zeal for me, so that I rejoiced still more. 8For even if I made
you grieve with my letter, I do not regret it—though I did
regret it, for I see that that letter grieved you, though only for
a while. 9As it is, I rejoice, not because you were grieved, but
because you were grieved into repenting. For you felt a godly
grief, so that you suffered no loss through us.

10For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation
without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death. 11For
see what earnestness this godly grief has produced in you,
but also what eagerness to clear yourselves, what indignation,
what fear, what longing, what zeal, what punishment! At
every point you have proved yourselves innocent in the
matter. 12So although I wrote to you, it was not for the sake of
the one who did the wrong, nor for the sake of the one who
suffered the wrong, but in order that your earnestness for us
might be revealed to you in the sight of God. 13Therefore we
are comforted.

And besides our own comfort, we rejoiced still more at the
joy of Titus, because his spirit has been refreshed by you all.

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

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Songs of Thanksgiving

My All in Thee

(Music: Eric J. Marshall 2012; Words: adapted from Charles Wesley 2012)

When gracious Lord when shall it be
That earth will find her all in Thee
The fullness of Thy promise prove
Seal me with thy eternal love

Thee only thee I'm fain to find
I cast the world and sin behind
O my Redeemer hear this plea
And let me find my all in thee

Show me your way
My love my Lord
Draw me to grace
So strong and sure
I run to your mercy where I am free
Let me find my all in thee

Lord I am blind be thou my sight
Lord I am weak be thou my might
A helper of the helpless be
And let me find my all in thee

Please mend my soul my frame my life
A contrite heart thou won't despise
Take now this pain and misery
And let me find my all in thee

This I Believe - Apostles' Creed

(Words & Music: Ben Fielding & Matt Crocker 2014)

Our Father everlasting
The All-Creating One, God Almighty
Through your Holy Spirit
Conceiving Christ the Son
Jesus our Savior

I believe in God our Father
I believe in Christ the Son
I believe in the Holy Spirit
Our God is Three in One
I believe in the resurrection
That we will rise again
For I believe in the name of Jesus

Our judge and our defender
Suffered and crucified
Forgiveness is in you
Descended into darkness
You rose in glorious life
Forever seated high

I believe in life eternal
I believe in the Virgin birth
I believe in the saints' communion
And in your holy Church
I believe in the resurrection
When Jesus comes again
For I believe in the name of Jesus

Benediction

There will be no Evening Worship tonight due to the holiday.

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

Announcements

www.cityreformed.org/events

RUF at Pitt Christmas Party Food Request December 4 4729 Ellsworth Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213 5-5:45pm	Help us to celebrate the Christmas season and the (almost) end of the semester! Food can be dropped off at the Church of the Ascension (4729 Ellsworth Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213) 5-5:45pm, Friday Dec 4, or coordinated at other times/places if needed. Sign up here: ***https://tinyurl.com/rufchristmas2026*** Contact Gavin Breeden (gavin.breeden@ruf.org) with questions!
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 Tuesday, December 8, 7:30PM 300 Saline Street	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	Our annual Wreath Making event for women of all ages is right around the corner! Show off your creativity or get inspired by your crafty sisters in Christ as you decorate a fresh wreath with provided ribbon and decorations to deck your halls. Enjoy drinks provided by the church and bring a treat to share! Register & order your wreath at ***https://tinyurl.com/CRPCWreath2026***
Greenfield WinterFest Saturday, December 5 5:30-8:30PM Greenfield Chapel	We will be opening the doors of our Coleman Street building on the evening of December 5 to participate in the Greenfield WinterFest. Join us in welcoming our neighbors in for caroling, crafting, and cocoa! For more information on the WinterFest, visit www.greenfieldwinterfest.com.
Young Adult Women's Christmas Party Saturday, December 12 7 PM Rebecca Pollard's House (Shadyside)	Young adult women are invited to our annual Christmas gathering! Join us for food, song, and a white elephant gift exchange ($15 price limit). Please consider bringing an appetizer or dessert to share. RSVP to Lindsay (lindsay.karr@gmail.com) or Michele (michele.kloes@gmail.com).
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!

Regular Events

www.cityreformed.org/events

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: 12/7. Contact Alex Main: ***amain8511@gmail.com.***
Global Missions Prayer Mondays @ 9 PM	This week we will be praying for Dean and Kyria. 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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