

# Hello there!



We are Northside Church of Richmond, and since October 2011 we have been holding our public worship services in the fellowship hall of Battery Park Christian Church at 4pm on Sundays. Most of our members live in the Northside, and you may even know a few!

***We have moved our worship services outdoors for the foreseeable future.***

Current health guidelines recommend that communities of faith like ours hold public worship services outside in order to minimize the risk of spreading COVID-19. We would love for you to join us - ***please feel welcome and invited!***

***Our service features gospel music, which is joyful and lively.*** This is intentional, reflecting our mission to be a cross-cultural church with a welcoming atmosphere for the diverse people in the Northside. In these difficult times, we are grateful that ***the minority community frequently expresses their gratitude*** at the energetic and powerful worship experience we facilitate. And many neighbors in the immediate vicinity have told us they enjoy hearing our service too!

For those who have questions about health and sound precautions, the information below may be helpful.

### **Precautions for Health:**

Because we want our service to be as safe as possible for people's health, we follow the following guidelines for our congregation and those who visit the worship service:

- *Face masks are to be worn when entering, exiting, or moving about, but may be removed while seated.*
- *Social distancing is to be maintained while moving about and while seated. Small blue markers are placed at 10' intervals to help people see where to sit.*
- *Communion is served in single-serve disposable cups with a pre-sealed wafer included.*

### **Precautions for Sound Control:**

Because our service is held near residences, we are taking efforts weekly to fulfill the City of Richmond Code of Ordinances requirement on sound control (< 75 dB on private property when measured outdoors):

- *Placing speakers so that they are either pointing away from nearby homes or more than 70 feet away from nearby homes,*
- *Using a decibel meter to verify the volume is within code-specified limitations, and*
- *Turning down the speakers during rehearsal.*

If you have any questions, please reach out to our Director of Operations at [kelsi@northsidechurchva.org](mailto:kelsi@northsidechurchva.org), or talk to any of our staff members shown below.

