



# northside church

## OF RICHMOND

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Church membership is a blood-bought gift of God's grace. More than most of us realize, it is a life-sustaining, faith-strengthening, joy-preserving means of God's mercy to us. I urge you not to cut yourself off from this blessing.

- John Piper

## God gathers us together for worship

### Call to Worship

Leader: *Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;  
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!  
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;  
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!*

**People: *For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.***

Leader: *Oh come, let us worship and bow down;  
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!*

*Psalm 95:1-3, 6*

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Having been reconciled with  
God through Christ, we can  
share peace with one another  
and participate in His work.

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## Worship in Song

"Bless the Lord With Me"

"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

"I'll Just Say Yes"

## Passing of the Peace

## Community Life

Membership vows and baptism: Daniel O'Briant

## Scripture Reading

*Acts 20:28-35*

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## Offering & Worship in Song

"Great Are You Lord"

# God feeds us with His Word

## Sermon

*12 We ask you, brothers, to respect those who labor among you and are over you in the Lord and admonish you, 13 and to esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Be at peace among yourselves. 14 And we urge you, brothers, admonish the idle, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with them all. 15 See that no one repays anyone evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to everyone. 16 Rejoice always, 17 pray without ceasing, 18 give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. 19 Do not quench the Spirit. 20 Do not despise prophecies, 21 but test everything; hold fast what is good. 22 Abstain from every form of evil.*

*23 Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. 24 He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.*

*25 Brothers, pray for us.*

*26 Greet all the brothers with a holy kiss.*

*27 I put you under oath before the Lord to have this letter read to all the brothers.*

*28 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.*

Leader: *The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.*

**People: Praise be to God!**

*1 Thessalonians 5:12-28*

*Isaiah 40:8*

Today's sermon is given  
by Associate Pastor Joel  
Passmore.

## Altar Ministry of Prayer and Communion

Leader: Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Prayer is taking place up front. If you have spiritual questions, if you're are looking for a church to join, if you prayed the prayer of belief earlier, or if you have some other need in your life to bring to God, please come up front to receive prayer from those wearing Prayer Team badges.

Communion is taking place in the back. All who have repented of their sins, put their faith in Jesus as Savior, and are members in good standing of a Bible-believing church are invited to participate. Please come back through the center aisle to any of the 3 communion stations and take a cup and a piece of bread. Gluten and nut-free wafers are in the wooden boxes. Please indicate whether you want juice or wine. An elder will speak words of encouragement and then everyone at the station will partake together. Children with you who are not yet taking communion will be prayed for during this time.

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## Worship in Song

"Heal Us, Emmanuel"

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"Oh Give Thanks"

## Benediction

### About Us

Northside Church of Richmond is a church of the James River Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in America ([www.pcanet.org](http://www.pcanet.org)), planted in Oct 2011.

Public worship service Sundays at 4pm in the fellowship hall of Battery Park Christian Church, on the corner of Brook and Bellevue. Visitors always welcome!

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