



# northside church

O F R I C H M O N D

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It was the Apostles love of Jesus, and deep conviction of what they had seen with their own eyes, touched with their own hands, and felt inside that overpowered their love of worldly comfort, physical security, and social acceptance.

## God gathers us together for worship

### Worship in Song

*"Jesus Everlasting King"*

Words: Isaac Watts, alt. Matthew Smith | Music: Matthew Smith  
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### Call to Worship

Leader: *Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!*

*Psalms 47:1-2, 5-8*

**People:** *For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared,  
a great king over all the earth.*

Leader: *God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.*

**People:** *Sing praises to God, sing praises!  
Sing praises to our King, sing praises!*

Leader: *For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm!*

**People:** *God reigns over the nations;  
God sits on his holy throne.*

### Worship in Song

*"Arise My Soul, Arise"*

Words: Charles Wesley;  
Music: Kevin Twit  
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This is a time to be honest with God about our sin and ask Him for forgiveness through Jesus.

*1 John 4:10*

Words: Louisa Stead;  
Music: William Kirkpatrick  
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Having been reconciled with God through Christ, we can share peace with one another and participate in His work.

Words and music: Kari Jobe  
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## Confession and Assurance

King of Glory, You came to us as true peace in the midst of our warfare,  
as true freedom to release us from our bondage to sin,  
as true refuge from our unrest and affliction.  
Yet we have rebelled from Your authority,  
going our own way by disobeying Your commands and ignoring our neighbors.

For our treason, You died; for our restoration, You rose again.  
Loving Father, draw us close to You now and forgive our sins.  
Please renew our allegiance to You, increase our faith, amaze us with Your grace,  
and help us seek peace with one another. Amen

- silent confession -

*This is love: not that we loved God,  
but that He loved us and sent His Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.*

## Worship in Song

"Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus"

## Passing of the Peace

## Community Life

Membership Vows: Tyler Mueller

## Scripture Reading

*John 15:18-27*

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## Offering, Worship in Song

"No Sweeter Name"

# God feeds us with His Word

## Sermon

*27 And when they had brought them, they set them before the council. And the high priest questioned them, 28 saying, "We strictly charged you not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you intend to bring this man's blood upon us." 29 But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. 30 The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. 31 God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. 32 And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him."*

*33 When they heard this, they were enraged and wanted to kill them. 34 But a Pharisee in the council named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law held in honor by all the people, stood up and gave orders to put the men outside for a little while. 35 And he said to them, "Men of Israel, take care what you are about to do with these men. 36 For before these days Theudas rose up, claiming to be somebody, and a number of men, about four hundred, joined him. He was killed, and all who followed him were dispersed and came to nothing. 37 After him Judas the Galilean rose up in the days of the census and drew away some of the people after him. He too perished, and all who followed him were scattered. 38 So in the present case I tell you, keep away from these men and let them alone, for if this plan or this undertaking is of man, it will fail; 39 but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You might even be found opposing God!" So they took his advice, 40 and when they had called in the apostles, they beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. 41 Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name. 42 And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and preaching that the Christ is Jesus.*

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

**People: Praise be to God!**

*Acts 5:27-42*

*Isaiah 40:8*

Today's sermon is given by  
Rev. Jeff Lee, Pastor of  
Reformed University  
Fellowship (RUF) at  
Christopher Newport  
University.

1 Corinthians 11:23b-26

Gluten and nut-free wafers can be found in the wooden boxes.

At the front right of the room stands a person ready to pray with and for you.

Words and music:

Katie and Bryan Torwalt

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Words: Megan Pettipole, David

Potter | Music: Luke and Megan

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## The Lord's Supper

*The Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me."*

*In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.*

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

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

## Worship in Song

"Holy Spirit"

"Swallowed Up Death"

## Benediction

### About

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

### Worship Service

Held every Sunday at 4pm in the fellowship hall of Battery Park Christian Church, on the corner of Brook and Bellevue. Visitors are always welcome!

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