

# northside church of RICHMOND

June 14, 2015

## Meditation

People do not despise a thief if he steals to satisfy his appetite when he is hungry, but if he is caught, he will pay sevenfold; he will give all the goods of his house.

~ Proverbs 6:30-31

Mercy is the church's reputation.

~ Randy Nabors

Readings to help you prepare to worship, as Jesus said, "in spirit and in truth."

When you hear the first song begin, please come take a seat.

God is present with us in worship, and we ask Him to turn our hearts and minds toward Him.

#### Oh Give Thanks

Words and music: Judith McAllister

Psalm 118:1

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# We gather in the presence of God

# **Song of Gathering**

Oh give thanks unto the Lord, For He is good, yes He is good! Oh give thanks unto the Lord, For He is good, yes He is good!

For He is worthy, worthy! For He is good, yes He is good! For He is worthy, worthy! For He is good, yes He is good!

# **Welcome and Call to Worship**

Leader: I will extol you, my God and King,

and bless your name forever and ever.

People: Every day I will bless you

and praise your name forever and ever.

Leader: Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,

and his greatness is unsearchable.

People: One generation shall commend your works to another,

and shall declare your mighty acts.

Leader: On the glorious splendor of your majesty,

and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.

People: They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds, and I will declare your greatness.

#### Psalm 145:1-6

## Please stand if able.

# **Song of Praise**

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee. Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty, God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity.

Holy, holy, holy, all the saints adore Thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Who wert and art and evermore shalt be. Holy, holy, though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful man, Thy glory may not see. Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee, Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, All thy works shall praise Thy name in earth, and sky, and sea. Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty, God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity. Holy, Holy, Holy

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# **Scripture Reading**

I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will display at the proper time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!** 

1 Timothy 6:13-19

A time to be honest with God about our need for forgiveness.

Please read together.

# We confess our sin and receive grace

## **Confession of Sin**

Lord, You alone are full of grace and truth, but we have not kept watch for You.

We have sought our own glory above Yours.

We have not waited to find Your will for us.

We have not noticed the needs of others around us.

We have not acknowledged Your beauty and the love that You have shown us.

Forgive us for our sins against You.

Heavenly Father, help us to yield to the wisdom of Your ways;

Lord Jesus, lead us to live in light of Your coming;

Holy Spirit, give us faith to see that You are truly among us; Amen.

## **Silent Confession**

## **Assurance of Pardon**

The next day [John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"

#### How Deep the Father's Love For Us

Iohn 1:29

Words and music: Stuart Townend © 1995 Thankyou Music

# **Song of Renewal**

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure, That He should give His only Son, to make a wretch His treasure!

How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turned His face away, As wounds which mar the chosen one, bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders. Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers. It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished.
His dying breath has brought me life; I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything; no gifts, no power, no wisdom, But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection.

Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer, But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom.

repeat

# We respond to the grace received

Being set right with God enables us to participate in his work.

# **Passing of the Peace**

## **Community Life**

Prayers of the People

The world: Tanisha Webster, moved back to London this week The Northside: City Young Life, fundraiser on June 15th Our church: Strong finanical pledge season, ends June 15th

# Offering

We see giving as a part of worship. If you feel the same way we invite you to participate.

# **Song of Preparation**

Our mouths, they were filled, filled with laughter; Our tongues, they were loosed, loosed with joy; Restore us, O Lord! Restore us, O Lord!

Although we are weeping, Lord help us keep sowing, The seeds of Your Kingdom for the day You will reap them! Your sheaves we will carry, Lord please do not tarry. All those who sow weeping will go out with songs of joy. The nations will say, "He has done great things!" The nations will sing songs of joy.
Restore us, O Lord! Restore us, O Lord!

chorus

#### Psalm 126

Words and music: unknown

Our mind, body, and spirit are nourished with food that does not perish.

# Sermon Text

### Ephesians 4:28

28 Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need.

Isaiah 40:8

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

God feeds us with His Word

People: Praise be to God!

## Sermon

Today's sermon is given by Pastoral Intern Joel Passmore.

We encourage you to use this space to take notes or write questions.

# **Invitation to the Lord's Supper**

## **Words of Institution**

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.

# The Lord's Supper

Gluten-free, nut-free wafers are located in the wooden boxes. If you would like, a communion distributor will pray for your children. At the back of the fellowship hall is someone ready to pray with and for you.

Parents who would like for their nursery-aged children to be prayed for during communion should pick them up at this time.

1 Corinthians 11:23b-26

As others take communion please feel free to pray, sing along, or talk quietly with your neighbor.

# **Song of Communion**

Jesus my great High Priest offered His blood and died My quilty conscience seeks no sacrifice beside. His pow'rful blood did once atone, And now it pleads before the throne, And now it pleads before the throne.

To this dear Surety's hand will I commit my cause; He answers and fulfills His Father's broken laws. Behold my soul at freedom set -My **Surety** paid the dreadful debt, My Surety paid the dreadful debt.

Now I approach the throne, and I have confidence, For Jesus, my great High Priest, offered His blood and died... Now I approach the throne, and I have confidence, For Jesus, my great High Priest, offered His blood and died for me. My Advocate appears for my defense on high. The Father bows His ears and lays His thunder by. Words: Isaac Watts Not all that hell or sin can say Shall turn His heart, His love, away Shall turn His heart, His love, away.

chorus

Should all the hosts of death and pow'rs of hell unknown, Put their most dreadful forms of rage and mischief on, I shall be safe, for Christ displays His conqu'ring power and guardian grace; His conqu'ring power and guardian grace.

chorus

#### Jesus My Great High Priest

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Hebrews 4:14-5:10

"Surety" is referring to Jesus, derived from Hebrews 7:22: "by so much more Jesus has become a **surety** of a better covenant." (NKIV) It means that Jesus' work on the cross is the solid foundation for reconciliation with God.

We go forth to love and serve God and neighbor.

# God sends us out refreshed

## Leaning On The Everlasting Arms

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Deuteronomy 33:27

# **Song of Rejoicing**

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms.
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms. Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms.
Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms.

chorus

What have I to dread? What have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms? I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms.

chorus

# **Benediction**

## **About**

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

## **Worship Service**

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

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