



northside church

OF RICHMOND

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Meditation

Hope is one of the Theological virtues. This means that a continual looking forward to the eternal world is not (as some modern people think) a form of escapism or wishful thinking, but one of the things a Christian is meant to do. It does not mean that we are to leave the present world as it is. If you read history you will find that the Christians who did most for the present world were just those who thought most of the next.

- C.S. Lewis

*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.*

The Holy God is present
with us in worship, and He
invites us to come to Him
with true adoration.

Blessed Be Your Name

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Job 1:21-22
Psalm 113:2-3
Daniel 2:20-23

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Psalm 103:1, 20-22

Please stand if able.

God calls us into His presence to worship

Song of Gathering

Blessed be Your name
In the land that is plentiful,
Where Your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be Your name.
Blessed be Your name
When I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed be Your name.

Every blessing You pour out
I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord,
Still I will say,

Blessed be the name of the Lord,
Blessed be Your name!
Blessed be the name of the Lord,
Blessed be Your glorious name!

Blessed be Your name
When the sun's shining down on me,
When the world's all as it should be,
Blessed be Your name.
Blessed be Your name
On the road marked with suffering,
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name.

Every blessing You pour out
I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord,
Still I will say,

chorus (x2)

You give and take away,
You give and take away,
My heart will choose to say
"Lord, blessed be Your name."

repeat

chorus

Call to Worship

Leader: *Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless his holy name!*

People: *Bless the LORD, O you his angels,
you mighty ones who do his word,
obeying the voice of his word!*

Leader: *Bless the LORD, all his hosts,
his ministers, who do his will!*

People: *Bless the LORD, all his works,
in all places of his dominion.
Bless the LORD, O my soul!*

Song of Praise

My God reigns; our God reigns.
Lord, You reign above every name!

My God reigns; our God reigns.
Lord, You reign above every name!

With power and majesty,
dominion, authority - You reign!

With power and majesty,
dominion, authority - You reign!

Over my circumstance,
You've given me another chance – You reign!
repeat

You reign! You reign! You reign!
repeat

You Reign

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Miah White
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Confession of Sin

Lord, how quickly we forget Your promises to us!

Doubting Your provision for our needs, we chase after possessions and social status.

Denying Your comfort for our pain, we medicate ourselves with detachment or illicit thrills.

Distrusting Your calling for our life, we hoard our blessings from those in need.

This has left us tired, hungry, and anxious. Together we confess and turn again toward You.

Give us faith that You will provide for us, and grateful hearts when we receive.

Convince us that sin does not satisfy, and that life is found only in You.

Lead us in loving others and bearing fruit for Your Kingdom.

Forgive us and renew us, for our sake and for Your glory. Amen.

*A time to be honest with
God about our need for
forgiveness.
Please read together*

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us,
not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy.*

Titus 3:4-5

It Is Well With My Soul

Words: Horatio G. Spafford

Music: Philip P. Bliss

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Song of Renewal

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll,
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
"It is well, it is well with my soul."

It is well (it is well),
with my soul (with my soul),
It is well, it is well with my soul!

Though Satan should buffet,
though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And has shed His own blood for my soul.

chorus

My sin – oh, the joy of this glorious thought:
My sin, not in part, but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, oh, my soul!

chorus

O Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trump shall resound,
and the Lord shall descend,
Even so, it is well with my soul.

chorus (x2)

*Being reconciled with God
through Christ enables us to
seek peace with each other
and participate in His work.*

Passing of the Peace

Community Life

Update and prayer: Church retreat, Saturday April 29, 9:00-5:00

*God designed worship to
include the voluntary giving
of offerings by His people.*

Offering

Scripture Reading

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Song of Preparation

Everyone needs compassion,
love that's never failing.

Let mercy fall on me.

Everyone needs forgiveness,
the kindness of a Savior,

The hope of nations.

Savior, He can move the mountains,

My God is mighty to save,

He is mighty to save!

Forever, author of salvation

He rose and conquered the grave,

Jesus conquered the grave!

So take me as You find me,
all my fears and failures.

Fill my life again.

I give my life to follow,
everything I believe in.

Now I surrender.

chorus

Shine your light and let the whole world see.

We're singing for the glory of the risen King.

Shine your light and let the whole world see.

We're singing for the glory of the risen King.

chorus

Ephesians 2:8-10

Mighty To Save

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*Zephaniah 3:17, Hebrews
2:10, Ezekiel 38:20*

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

1 Corinthians 15:58

Isaiah 40:8

*Today's sermon is given by
Pastor Matt Lorish.*

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

God feeds us with His Word

Sermon Text

Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

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

People: Praise be to God!

Sermon

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.

Song of Communion

There's nothing worth more,
that will ever come close,
No thing can compare, You're our living hope.
Your presence, Lord.

I've tasted and seen, of the sweetest of loves,
Where my heart becomes free,
and my shame is undone,
in Your presence, Lord.

Holy Spirit, You are welcome here,
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere.
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for,
To be overcome by Your presence, Lord.

repeat

There's nothing worth more,
that will ever come close,
No thing can compare, You're our living hope.
Your presence, Lord.

I've tasted and seen, of the sweetest of loves,
Where my heart becomes free,
and my shame is undone,
in Your presence, Lord.

chorus

Let us become more aware of Your presence,
Let us experience the glory of Your goodness.

repeat

chorus

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.

Holy Spirit

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*2 Corinthians 3:17
Psalm 96: 8-13*

We go out with renewed
faith to love our God and
our neighbors.

Swallowed Up Death

Words: Megan Pettipole
and David Potter

Music: Luke and Megan
Pettipole

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God sends us out refreshed

Song of Rejoicing

The whole of nature groans with longing,
We ache for that promised glory.
Still we rejoice because we know -
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.

The whole of nature groans with longing,
We wait for that promised glory.
Still we rejoice because we know,
that sorrow's end is coming.

He will swallow up death
and wipe the tears from our faces!
He will swallow up death
and wipe the tears from our faces!
We'll sing, "This is our God we've waited for,
and He saved us!"
He will swallow up death
and wipe the tears from our faces!

Here in the darkness of our mourning,
We wait for the Light that's coming.
And on that day we will return,
with joy and gladness singing.

chorus

Behold, your God – He will come and save you!
repeat

chorus

Benediction

About

Northside Church of Richmond is a mission church
of the Presbyterian Church in America (www.
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Worship Service

Every Sunday at 4pm in the fellowship hall of
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