



northside church

OF RICHMOND

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Meditation

God's unstoppable goal is nothing less than the restoration of his good creation, the eradication, not of it but of the sin that has damaged, even the triumph of the body over death itself.

- Michael Williams, *Far as the Curse is Found*

*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.

Clap Your Hands

Words and music:
Dr. R. A. Vernon & "The Word" Church Praise Team

Psalm 47:1, 34:3

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Psalm 95:1-7

Please stand if able.

God calls us into His presence to worship

Song of Gathering

Clap your hands, all ye people;
Lift up praises filled with joy!
Begin to dance, come let us sing;
our God is great, He is the King!

repeat

Let the praises of God's people
resound in Zion's house!

repeat

chorus

Magnify the Lord with me;
Let us exalt His name;
His name is glorious!

repeat

Call to Worship

Leader: *Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!*

**People: *Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!***

Leader: *For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.*

**People: *The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands formed the dry land.***

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

**People: *For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.***

Song of Praise

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears,
The bleeding Sacrifice on my behalf appears.
Before the throne my Surety stands,
Before the throne my Surety stands,
My name is written on His hands.

Arise, arise, arise!
Arise my soul, arise!

Arise, arise, arise!
Arise my soul, arise!
Shake off your guilty fears and rise!

He ever lives above, for me to intercede,
His all-redeeming love, His precious blood to plead,
His blood atoned for every race,
His blood atoned for every race,
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

chorus

My God is reconciled, His pard'ning voice I hear,
He owns me for His child, I can no longer fear,
With confidence I now draw nigh,
With confidence I now draw nigh,
And "Father, Abba Father," cry.

chorus

Confession of Sin

A broken and contrite heart, O God, You will not despise,
So I confess that no matter what my condition, I am faced with my sin:
Am I successful? What a fuel for pride!
Am I in need? What an occasion for fear!
Am I gifted? See how I run after applause.
Am I weak? See how I despise what I do not have.
Am I in authority? I am prone to serve my own interests.
Am I lacking? I begrudge the blessing of God in the lives of others.
O Lord, forgive my sins, cleanse me, and renew me.
Humbly I ask You to lead me in Your light, and strengthen my faith,
For my sake and for Your glory. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.*

Arise, My Soul, Arise

*Words: Charles Wesley
Music: Kevin Twit
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Psalm 57:8

*"my Surety" refers to Jesus.
Hebrews 7:22 says "Jesus has
become a **surety** of a better
covenant." (NKJV)
The sacrifice of Jesus is the
solid foundation for a recon-
ciled relationship with God.*

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

Isaiah 53:5

Blessed Assurance

Words: Fanny Crosby, 1873

Music: Phoebe P. Knapp

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Psalm 139:23-24

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

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

Song of Renewal

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

This is my story, this is my song:
Praising my Savior all the day long.
This is my story, this is my song:
Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight.
Angels descending bring from above,
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

chorus

Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest;
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

chorus

Passing of the Peace

Community Life

Baptism: Henry Elwood Loughin

Offering

On the first Sunday of each month Northside collects an offering for the mercy fund using a tan basket in addition to the weekly general fund offering in the multi-colored basket. The mercy fund is used for financial assistance to those in need from our church and the Northside.

Scripture Reading

Now when they heard these things they were enraged, and they ground their teeth at [Stephen]. But he, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. And he said, "Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God." But they cried out with a loud voice and stopped their ears and rushed together at him. Then they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul. And as they were stoning Stephen, he called out, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Song of Preparation

I will sing and the heavens will listen,
I will call on the Name of all names,
For my King will answer us one Day,
and consume His enemies.

For my God, He fights for me.
He is strong when I am weak.
I don't have to move a muscle,
I won't worry about a thing,
For my God, He fights for me.
For my God, He fights for me.

I relied on the power of my Savior,
and He rode on the wings of the wind,
And He gave me His shield of salvation,
and in Him, I gain my strength.

chorus (x2)

When I think of the goodness of Jesus,
and all that He's done for me
My soul cries out "Hallelujah,
thank God for saving me!"

chorus

Acts 7:54-60

Fights For Me

*Music and words: Jeremiah
Hurst, Orlando Palmer
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*Our mind, body, and spirit
are nourished with food
that does not perish.*

God feeds us with His Word

Sermon Text

1 Corinthians 15:29-34

29 Otherwise, what do people mean by being baptized on behalf of the dead? If the dead are not raised at all, why are people baptized on their behalf? 30 Why are we in danger every hour? 31 I protest, brothers, by my pride in you, which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die every day! 32 What do I gain if, humanly speaking, I fought with beasts at Ephesus? If the dead are not raised, "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die." 33 Do not be deceived: "Bad company ruins good morals." 34 Wake up from your drunken stupor, as is right, and do not go on sinning. For some have no knowledge of God. I say this to your shame.

Isaiah 40:8

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

People: Praise be to God!

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

Sermon

*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.

Song of Communion

Bread of heaven, sent down from glory,
Many things you were on Earth:
A holy King, a carpenter.
You are the living Word.

Awesome ruler, gentle redeemer,
God with us, the living truth,
And what a friend we have in You.
You are the living Word.

Jesus, Jesus - that's what we call You,
Manger born, put on a tree,
You died to save humanity.
You are the living Word!

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.

You Are the Living Word

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*John 1:1, 6:35
Matthew 21:5*

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

Like No Other

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Philippians 2:9-11
Acts 4:12
Psalm 8:1
Psalm 124:8
Psalm 148:13

God sends us out refreshed

Song of Rejoicing

There is a name, a glorious name that I adore.
It's deserving of praise; marvelous things You will perform.
It brings calm to all my fears, and helps me to weather every storm.
You give strength that I need. No name is greater than Yours!

Women:

That name!
Jesus!
That name!
That name!

Men:

Something happens, when we call that name:
Every knee will bow, every tongue proclaim!
You have all power and Your power will remain.

Together: No other name!

It's a name that I call, no matter the day or the hour.
He'll protect when I fall; You show Your strength, You show Your power.
Heaven and earth, they will all pass away;
But it's Your name that won't waver Lord, it won't change.

chorus (x2)

It soothes like no other. It calms like no other.
It heals like no other. Reveals like no other.

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

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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