

northside church of RICHMOND

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Meditation

Lots of North Americans use the word sin only on dessert menus and when telling an inside joke. If they hear the word used seriously, they might conclude that they are in the presence of a Puritan. There are few contexts left in which the word is said and heard straight. A certain number of churches do have a part of the service in which there is confession of sin and assurance of pardon, but in many churches, even preachers mumble when it comes to sin. Such a downer, they think. How can you keep the customers happy if you talk about depressing topics?

- Cornelius Plantinga, Not The Way It's Supposed to Be: A Breviary of Sin

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.

He's Able

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Ephesians 3:20

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Psalm 68:4-6, 19

Please stand if able.

God calls us into His presence to worship

Song of Gathering

Exceedingly, abundantly, above all, All you could ask or think, according to the power that worketh in you, you...

God is able to do just what He said He would do.
He's going to fulfill every promise to you.
Don't give up on God,
cause He won't give up on you He's able! He's able!
repeat

Call to Worship

Leader: Sing to God, sing praises to his name;

lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts;

his name is the LORD; exult before him!

People: Father of the fatherless and protector of widows

is God in his holy habitation.

Leader: God settles the solitary in a home;

he leads out the prisoners to prosperity, but the rebellious dwell in a parched land.

People: Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears us up; God is our salvation.

Song of Praise

My God is awesome, He can move mountains, Keep me in the valley, hide me from the rain. My God is awesome, heals me when I'm broken, Strength where I've been weakened,

forever He will reign.

My God is awesome, awesome,

awesome, awesome!

My God is awesome, awesome,

awesome, awesome!

My God is awesome, Savior of the whole world Giver of salvation, by His stripes I am healed. My God is awesome, today I am forgiven, His grace is why I'm living, praise His holy name!

chorus

He's mighty, He's mighty, He's mighty, He's mighty!

Awesome, awesome!

He's holy, He's holy, He's holy!

Awesome, awesome!

repeat

He's great, He's great, He's great!

Awesome, awesome!

Provider, Provider, Provider!

Awesome, awesome!

Protector, Protector, Protector!

Awesome, awesome!

Deliverer, Deliverer, Deliverer!

Awesome, awesome!

Confession of Sin

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

Assurance of Pardon

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone.

Awesome

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

Ephesians 2:19-20

Heal Us, Emmanuel

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Mark 5:24-34 Mark 9:24

Song of Renewal

Heal us, Emmanuel, here we are, We long to feel Thy touch. Deep wounded souls, to Thee we fly – O Savior hear our cry!

Our faith is feeble, we confess. We faintly trust Thy word; But will You pity us the less? Be that far from You, Lord!

chorus

Remember him who once applied, with trembling for relief; "Lord, I believe," with tears he cried, "O help my unbelief!"

chorus

She, too, who touched you in the press, And healing virtue stole, Was answered, "Daughter, go in peace; Thy faith has made thee whole."

chorus

Like her, with hopes and fears we come, To touch You if we may; O send us not despairing home; Send none unhealed away!

chorus

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

Baptism: Payton Irene Malpass

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

Offering

Scripture Reading

The wisdom of the prudent is to discern his way, but the folly of fools is deceiving.

Fools mock at the guilt offering, but the upright enjoy acceptance.

The heart knows its own bitterness, and no stranger shares its joy.

The house of the wicked will be destroyed, but the tent of the upright will flourish.

There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way to death.

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

Song of Preparation

Because of His great love, We are not overcome! Because of His great love, We are not overcome!

Flesh will fail, and bones will break; Thieves will steal, the earth will shake. Night will fall, the light will fade; The Lord will give and take away.

chorus

Put no trust in the earth, In the sod you stand upon. Flowers fade into dust; The Lord will make a place for us.

chorus

Have no fear for your life, Turn your cheek, turn your cheek. Bear the yoke of love and death, The Lord will give life and breath.

chorus (x2)

Proverbs 14:8-12

We Are Not Overcome

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Job 1:21
Lamentations 3

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

Genesis 3:1-7

God feeds us with His Word

Sermon Text

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden'?" 2 And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, 3 but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die." 4 But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. 5 For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." 6 So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. 7 Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

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

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

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.

1 Corinthians 11:23b-26

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.

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

Song of Communion

By His stripes we are healed, by His nail-pierced hands we're free, By His blood we're washed clean, now we have the victory.

The power of sin is broken, Jesus overcame it all. He has won our freedom, Jesus has won it all.

Hallelujah! You have won the victory.
Hallelujah! You have won it all for me.
Death could not hold You down.
You are the risen King!
Seated in majesty, You are the risen King!

Our God is risen, He is alive! He won the victory, He reigns on high!

The Anthem (You Have Won the Victory)

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Blessed Be Your Name

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

God sends us out refreshed

Song of Rejoicing

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

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

chorus (x2)

Blessed be Your name.

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

repeat

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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