



northside church

OF RICHMOND

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Meditations

"One of the first things we learn in experiences of fasting is how it reveals what controls us. You see, we cover up with food and other good things what is inside of us, but in experiences of fasting these come to the surface."

- Richard Foster

Readings to help you engage with God and worship, as Jesus said, "in spirit and in truth."

When you hear the first song begin, please come take a seat and continue preparing for worship by praying, reading the meditation quotes above, or singing along.

Jesus Everlasting King

Words: Isaac Watts
(alt. by Matthew Smith)
Music: Matthew Smith
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A recognition of the presence of God among us, which influences the posture of our hearts.

Psalm 95:1-7

Please stand if able.

Song of Gathering

Jesus, everlasting King,
accept the tribute which we bring,
Accept the well-deserved renown
And wear our praises as Your crown.

O send Your Spirit to impart,
Rest and repentance to our hearts,
Like the dear hour when from above,
We first received Your pledge of love.

chorus

The gladness of redemption's day,
Our hearts would wish it long to stay,
Nor let our faith forsake its hold,
Nor comforts sink, or love grow cold.

chorus

May every time of worship see
Your grace revealed more rich and free,
Till we are raised to sing Your name
At the great supper of the Lamb.

chorus

O that the months would roll away,
And bring the coronation day.
The King of Grace shall fill the throne,
With all His Father's glories on.

chorus

We gather in the presence of God

Welcome and 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.*

**People: *In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.***

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

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

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

Song of Praise

Come ye sinners, poor and wretched,
weak and wounded, sick and sore.
Jesus, ready, stands to save you,
Full of pity joined with power.
He is able, He is able,
He is willing, doubt no more.

Come ye needy, come and welcome;
God's free bounty glorify:
True belief and true repentance,
every grace that brings you nigh.
Without money, without money
Come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come ye weary, heavy laden,
Bruised and broken by the fall.
If you tarry till you're better,
you will never come at all.

Not the righteous, not the righteous;
Sinners Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger,
nor of fitness fondly dream.
All the fitness He requireth
is to feel your need of Him.
This He gives you, this He gives you,
'Tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended;
pleads the merit of His blood.
Venture on Him; venture wholly,
Let no other trust intrude.
None but Jesus, none but Jesus
Can do helpless sinners good.

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Can do helpless sinners good.

Come Ye Sinners

*Words: Joseph Hart
Music: Matthew Smith
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Scripture Reading

*Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;
and he who has no money, come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.
Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?
Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.
Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live;
and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.
Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.
Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know,
and a nation that did not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.*

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Isaiah 55:1-5

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

Please read together.

2 Corinthians 5:21

By Thy Mercy

*Words: James Cummins
Music: Greg Thompson
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We confess our sin and receive grace

Confession of Sin

Generous God, you send us the Spirit of courage, but we have been afraid.
You send us the Spirit of truth, but we cling to our illusions.
You send us the Spirit of healing, but we cannot let go of our hurts.
Holy Spirit of forgiveness, come to us again, shake our hearts,
set our souls on fire with your love, send us out into the world rejoicing in your power.
We hold out to you all our particular burdens of guilt and sin,
and we ask for your help to live the way of your justice and love. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin,
so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.*

Song of Renewal

Jesus, Lord of life and glory,
bend from heaven Thy gracious ear.
While our waiting souls adore Thee,
friend of helpless sinners, hear:

From the depth of nature's blindness,
from the hardening power of sin,
From all malice and unkindness,
from the pride that lurks within.

By Thy mercy, O deliver us,
good Lord, good Lord.
By Thy mercy, O deliver us,
good Lord, good Lord.

When temptation sorely presses,
in the day of Satan's power,
In our times of deep distresses,
in each dark and trying hour.

When the world around is smiling,
in the time of wealth and ease,
Earthly joys our hearts beguiling,
in the day of health and peace.

chorus

In the weary hours of sickness,
in the times of grief and pain,
When we feel our mortal weakness,
when all human help is vain,

In the solemn hour of dying,
in the awful judgment day,
May our souls, on Thee relying,
find Thee still our rock and stay.

chorus

We respond to the grace received

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

Passing of the Peace

The peace God made with us is extended to those around us.

Community Life

Prayers of the People

The world: Kevin and Katie Shaffer, church plant in London

The Northside: The Timothy Project, outreach to John Marshall High School

Our church: Inaugural membership class; Wednesday track starts this week

Offering

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

Song of Preparation

You are the God who loves,

You are the God who listens,

I cast my cares at Your feet.

You are the God who hears,

You are the God who answers,

You know just what I need.

verse

chorus (x2)

Nothing is impossible for You.

Heaven and earth are at Your command.

Nothing is impossible for You.

You are the great I AM.

repeat

Abba, Father,

You are near to all who call upon Your name.

Savior, Healer,

You are near to all who call upon Your name.

chorus (x2)

All Who Call

Words and music:

Josh Davis

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

Matthew 6:16-18

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. Sermon
discussion is the primary
material of study in our
Northside Groups.*

God feeds us with His Word

Sermon Text

16 "And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. 17 But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, 18 that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you."

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

When you are ready, please come to one of the communion stations.

You will circle the communion station with others in a group of about 6.

Gluten-free wafers are located in the wooden boxes; grape juice is available upon request.

If you would like, a communion distributor will pray for your children.

There is a person at the back of the fellowship hall ready to pray with and for you, if desired.

Song of Communion

There is life in the blood
of the Lamb who was slain.

There is power, there is power in His name.

There is love pouring out
of the wounds that were made,

Pouring out, pouring over our shame.

So praise the God who saves!

Praise the God who bled!

Praise the God who was nailed to a tree,
And wore our sins upon His head.

There is truth in His body,
raised that third day.

There is joy in a stone rolled away.

There is hope pouring out
of the tomb where He lay,
Pouring out, pouring over the grave.

chorus

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And wore our sins...

chorus

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

1 Corinthians 11:23b-26

Communion at Northside is a patient, relaxed time. As others take communion please feel free to pray, sing along, or talk quietly with your neighbor.

God Who Saves

Words and music: Aaron Senseman

We go forth to love and
serve God and neighbor.

God sends us out refreshed

Days of Elijah

Words and music:
Robin Mark
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Song of Rejoicing

These are the days of Elijah,
declaring the word of the Lord.
And these are the days of Your servant Moses,
righteousness being restored.
And though these are days of great trials,
of famine and darkness and sword,
Still we are the voice in the desert crying,
"Prepare ye the way of the Lord!"

Behold He comes, riding on the clouds,
Shining like the sun at the trumpet call!
Lift your voice, it's the year of Jubilee
And out of Zion's hill salvation comes.

And these are the days of Ezekiel,
the dry bones becoming as flesh.
And these are the days of Your servant, David,
rebuilding a temple of praise.
And these are the days of the harvest,
the fields are as white in Your world,
And we are the laborers in Your vineyard,
declaring the word of the Lord.

chorus

There's no God like Jehovah
There's no God like Jehovah
There's no God like Jehovah
There's no God like Jehovah

repeat

chorus

At the end of the service,
please pick up your children
from the nursery.

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

Each Sunday at 4pm in the fellowship hall of Battery Park Christian Church, located on the corner of Brook Rd and Bellevue Ave.

Visitors are always welcome!

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