



northside church

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The experiences of my life are not such that I could infer from them that God is good, gracious and merciful necessarily. To have had one husband murdered and another one disintegrate, body, soul and spirit, through cancer, is not what you would call a proof of the love of God. In fact, there are many times when it looks like just the opposite. My belief in the love of God is not by inference or instinct. It is by faith. To apprehend God's sovereignty working in that love is—we must say it—the last and highest victory of the faith that overcomes the world.

- Elisabeth Elliot

God gathers us together for worship

Worship in Song

"Everlasting God"

Words and music:
Brenton Brown, Ken Riley
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Call to Worship

Leader: *Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.
Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!*

Psalm 96:2-6, 9-10

People: *For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;
he is to be feared above all gods.
For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols,
but the LORD made the heavens.*

Leader: *Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.
Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth!*

People: *Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns!
Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved;
he will judge the peoples with equity."*

Worship in Song

"You Reign"

Words and music:
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This is a time to be honest with God about our sin and ask Him for forgiveness through Jesus.

1 John 4:9

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Having been reconciled with God through Christ, we can share peace with one another and participate in His work.

Words and music: Kirk Franklin
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Confession and Assurance

Lord, You delight to dwell with those who repent, so we confess together:
success leads us to believe that we can make it on our own,
difficulty leads us to accuse You of neglect,
and busyness leads us away from caring for our neighbors.

Forgive what we have been, change what we are, and direct what we are becoming;
teach us that our neediness and Your love are greater than we think,
give us a renewed will and desire to follow You,
and brighten our hearts with the joy of Your Spirit.

In the Name of Your Son, Jesus. Amen.

- silent confession -

*This is how God showed His love among us:
He sent His one and only Son into the world that we might live through Him.*

Worship in Song

“Rock of Ages”

Passing of the Peace

Community Life

Membership vows: Dickie and Susan Moore

Scripture Reading

Romans 12:14-19

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Offering, Worship in Song

“My Life Is In Your Hands”

God feeds us with His Word

Sermon

15 When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." 16 So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died: 17 'Say to Joseph, "Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you." And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father.'" Joseph wept when they spoke to him. 18 His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." 19 But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? 20 As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. 21 So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

22 So Joseph remained in Egypt, he and his father's house. Joseph lived 110 years. 23 And Joseph saw Ephraim's children of the third generation. The children also of Machir the son of Manasseh were counted as Joseph's own. 24 And Joseph said to his brothers, "I am about to die, but God will visit you and bring you up out of this land to the land that he swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob." 25 Then Joseph made the sons of Israel swear, saying, "God will surely visit you, and you shall carry up my bones from here." 26 So Joseph died, being 110 years old. They embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Egypt.

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

People: Praise be to God!

Genesis 50:15-26

Isaiah 40:8

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

1 Corinthians 11:23b-26

Gluten and nut-free wafers can be found in the wooden boxes.

At the front right of the room stands a person ready to pray with and for you.

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Praise! Music, Vertical Worship Songs

The Lord's Supper

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.

Worship in Song

"You Are My Strength"

"Friend of God"

Benediction

About

Northside Church of Richmond is a church of the James River Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in America (www.pcanet.org), planted in Oct 2011.

Worship Service

Held 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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