



northside church

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Meditations

Seeking security in this world and its possessions is a recipe for producing anxieties, rather than relieving them! The more we gather possessions in order to feel secure, the more we feel we need them in order to be secure and then the more we need to guard them to maintain our security.

- Sinclair Ferguson

*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.*

We gather in the presence of God

Up On A Mountain

*Words, music: Vito Aiuto
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God is present with us in worship. Declaring this together turns our hearts and minds toward Him.

Psalm 108:1-5

Please stand if able.

Song of Gathering

Up on a mountain our Lord is alone,
Without a family, friends, or a home.
He cries, "Oh, oh, oh, will you stay with me?"
He cries, "Oh, oh, oh, will you wait with me?"

Up on a mountain our Lord is afraid,
Carrying all the mistakes we have made.
And He knew it's a long way down.
Do you know it's a long way down?

Up in the heavens our Lord prays for you,
He sends His Spirit to carry us through.
So it's true that you're not alone.
Do you know he came all the way down?

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Welcome and Call to Worship

Leader: *My heart is steadfast, O God!
I will sing and make melody with all my being!*

People: *Awake, O harp and lyre!
I will awake the dawn!*

Leader: *I will give thanks to you, O LORD, among the peoples;
I will sing praises to you among the nations.*

People: *For your steadfast love is great above the heavens;
your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.*

Leader: *Be exalted, O God, above the heavens!*

People: *Let your glory be over all the earth!*

Song of Praise

All hail the power of Jesus' Name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal **diadem**,
and crown Him Lord of all!
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and crown Him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him Who saves you by His grace,
and crown Him Lord of all!
Hail Him Who saves you by His grace,
and crown Him Lord of all!

Let ev'ry tribe and ev'ry tongue
to Him their hearts enthrall.
Lift high the universal song,
and crown Him Lord of all!
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and crown Him Lord of all!

O that, with yonder sacred throng,
we at His feet may fall,
Join in the everlasting song,
and crown Him Lord of all!
Join in the everlasting song,
and crown Him Lord of all!

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

*Words: Edward Perronet,
John Rippon
Music: Oliver Holden
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*A **diadem** is a crown worn
as a sign of royalty.*

Scripture Reading

The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Luke 10:17-20

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

Please read together.

2 Corinthians 5:21

By Thy Mercy

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Music: Greg Thompson
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We confess our sin and receive grace

Confession of Sin

Almighty God, together we confess that our attitudes and actions often do not reflect You.
We strive for recognition and acclaim from others, growing bitter if we do not get it.
We are preoccupied with our own concerns, ignoring others except when it serves our purposes.
And our worship of You recedes when circumstances turn difficult.

Together we repent from our sins and turn to you alone for forgiveness.
Jesus, teach us that we only achieve greatness by giving our lives away.
Spirit, renew our heart and will, and conform us to the likeness of Christ,
Father, be glorified in our lives. 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.

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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

New Member Vows and Baptism - Derek Scott

Offering

Today we are collecting an offering for the mercy fund in 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.

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

Song of Preparation

The Lord hears the cry of the poor,
Blessed be the Lord!

I will bless the Lord at all times
With praise ever in my mouth.
Let my soul glory in the Lord,
Who will hear the cry of the poor.

chorus

Let the lowly hear and be glad,
The Lord listens to their pleas,
And to hearts broken He is near,
For He hears the cry of the poor.

chorus

Every spirit crushed, God will save,
The Lord listens to their pleas,
And to hearts broken God is near,
He will hear the cry of the poor.

chorus

We proclaim your greatness, O God!
Your praise ever in our mouths,
Every face brightened in Your light,
For You hear the cry of the poor!

chorus

The Cry of the Poor

Words and music:

John Foley, S.J.

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Psalms 34:1-2, 17-18, 19, 22

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

Philippians 4:4-7

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

4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. 5 Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; 6 do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

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 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

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,
just to take Him at His Word;
Just to rest upon His promise,
just to know, "Thus saith the Lord!"

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust Him more!

O how sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to trust His cleansing blood;
And in simple faith to plunge me
'Neath the healing, cleansing flood!

chorus

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just from sin and self to cease;
Just from Jesus simply taking
Life and rest, and joy and peace.

chorus

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee,
Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;
And I know that You are with me,
Will be with me to the end.

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

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.

**'Tis So Sweet To Trust
In Jesus**

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Music: William Kirkpatrick
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*We go forth to love and
serve God and neighbor.*

God sends us out refreshed

The Doxology

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Music: Louis Bourgeois
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Songs of Rejoicing

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

But For You Who Fear My Name

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E. Smith Jr.
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Jerusalem Music*

But for you who fear My Name,
The Son of righteousness will rise
With healing in His wings.

And you shall go forth again,
And skip about like calves
Coming from their stalls at last.

You shall be My very own,
On the day that I
Cause you to be My special home.

I shall spare you as a man
Has compassion on his son
Who does the best he can.

Malachi 4:2; 3:17

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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