



northside church

OF RICHMOND

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If each Christian is only a Christian due to God's mercy and forgiveness,
it binds them forever to the necessity of mercy being a defining aspect of their life.
– Randy Nabors, *Merciful*

God gathers us together for worship

Worship in Song

"Arise Oh God"

Words and music: Paul S. Morton
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Call to Worship

Leader: *Praise the Lord!*

Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

**People: *Praise him, all his angels;
praise him, all his hosts!***

Leader: *Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars!*

**People: *Praise him, you highest heavens,
and you waters above the heavens!***

Leader: *Let them praise the name of the Lord!
For he commanded and they were created.*

**People: *And he established them forever and ever;
he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.***

Psalm 148:1-6

Worship in Song

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

Words: Francis of Assisi;
Music: Peter von Brachel
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This is a time to be honest with God about our sin and ask Him for forgiveness through Jesus.

Confession and Assurance

Heavenly Father, you have loved us with an everlasting love, but we have gone our own way and broken your laws. We are sorry for our sins and turn away from them.

For the sake of your Son who died for us, forgive us, cleanse us, and change us.

By your Holy Spirit, enable us to live for you, and to please you more and more; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- silent confession -

At just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly.

Romans 5:6

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Worship in Song

“Just To Know Him”

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

Passing of the Peace

Community Life

Membership Vows and Baptism: Dawson Reeves

Scripture Reading

Matthew 28:16-20

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Words and music:
Reuben Morgan, Ben Fielding
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Offering, Worship in Song

“Mighty To Save”

God feeds us with His Word

Sermon

19 Now those who were scattered because of the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to no one except Jews. 20 But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who on coming to Antioch spoke to the Hellenists also, preaching the Lord Jesus. 21 And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number who believed turned to the Lord. 22 The report of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. 23 When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad, and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose, 24 for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord. 25 So Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul, 26 and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they met with the church and taught a great many people. And in Antioch the disciples were first called Christians.

27 Now in these days prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. 28 And one of them named Agabus stood up and foretold by the Spirit that there would be a great famine over all the world (this took place in the days of Claudius). 29 So the disciples determined, every one according to his ability, to send relief to the brothers living in Judea. 30 And they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

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

People: Praise be to God!

Acts 11:19-30

Isaiah 40:8

Today's sermon is given by Associate Pastor Joel Passmore.

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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Words and music: Israel Houghton © 2001 Integrity's Praise! Music

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 the Living Word"

"You Are Good"

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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