



# northside church

OF RICHMOND

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## **Meditation**

While the book of Ruth shows us God is concerned about needy people, it also reminds us that he often meets their needs through people who are willing to do what is right and to sacrifice for the good of others.

- Robert Chisholm

*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.*

### **Clap Your Hands**

*Words and music:  
Dr. R. A. Vernon & "The Word" Church Praise Team*

*Psalm 47:1, 34:3*

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*Psalm 63:1-5*

*Please stand if able.*

# God calls us into His presence to worship

## **Song of Gathering**

Clap your hands, all ye people;  
Lift up praises filled with joy!  
Begin to dance, come let us sing;  
our God is great, He is the King!

*repeat*

Let the praises of God's people  
resound in Zion's house!

*repeat*

*chorus*

Magnify the Lord with me;  
Let us exalt His Name. His Name is glorious!

*repeat*

*chorus*

*verse*

## **Call to Worship**

**Leader:** *O God, You are my God, earnestly I seek You;  
my soul thirsts for You, my body longs for You,  
in a dry and weary land where there is no water.*

**People:** ***I have seen You in the sanctuary  
and beheld Your power and Your glory.  
Because Your love is better than life,  
my lips will glorify You.***

**Leader:** *I will praise You as long as I live,  
and in Your name I will lift up my hands.*

**People:** ***My soul will be satisfied as with the richest of foods;  
with singing lips my mouth will praise You.***

## Song of Praise

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears,  
The bleeding Sacrifice on my behalf appears.  
Before the throne my Surety stands,  
Before the throne my Surety stands,  
My name is written on His hands.

Arise, arise, arise!  
Arise my soul, arise!

Arise, arise, arise!  
Arise my soul, arise!  
Shake off your guilty fears and rise!

He ever lives above, for me to intercede,  
His all-redeeming love, His precious blood to plead,  
His blood atoned for every race,  
His blood atoned for every race,  
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

*chorus*

My God is reconciled, His pard'ning voice I hear,  
He owns me for His child, I can no longer fear,  
With confidence I now draw nigh,  
With confidence I now draw nigh,  
And "Father, Abba Father," cry.

*chorus*

## Confession of Sin

Holy God, this week we have sinned by rejecting Your commands,  
doubting Your promises, relying on ourselves, and not resting in You.

Daily we fail to love You and our neighbor as we ought.

Praise You for providing the Savior in Jesus, who takes our sin and gives us His righteousness!

Lord, continue the work of salvation in us:

Conquer our weakness with Your strength, blot out our selfishness with Your glory.

Meet us in our suffering and disappointments, refine us as You see fit.

Keep us from returning to sin's bondage, brighten our hearts with Your grace.

Redirect our desires so that we delight deeply in You. Amen.

## Silent Confession

## Assurance of Pardon

*The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.*

***Arise, My Soul, Arise***

*Words: Charles Wesley  
Music: Kevin Twit  
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*Psalm 57:8*

*"my Surety" refers to Jesus.  
Hebrews 7:22 says "Jesus has  
become a **surety** of a better  
covenant." (NKJV)  
The sacrifice of Jesus is the  
solid foundation for a recon-  
ciled relationship with God.*

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

***Matthew 20:28***

## ***It Is Well With My Soul***

*Words: Horatio G. Spafford  
Music: Philip P. Bliss  
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## **Song of Renewal**

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,  
When sorrows like sea billows roll,  
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,  
"It is well, it is well with my soul."

It is well (it is well),  
with my soul (with my soul),  
It is well, it is well with my soul!

Though Satan should buffet,  
though trials should come,  
Let this blest assurance control,  
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,  
And has shed His own blood for my soul.

*chorus*

My sin – oh, the joy of this glorious thought:  
My sin, not in part, but the whole,  
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more.  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, oh, my soul!

*chorus*

O Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
The trump shall resound,  
and the Lord shall descend,  
Even so, it is well with my soul.

*chorus (x2)*

*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**

### **Prayers of the People**

The world: Diana Castillo, raising support to go to Peru

The Northside: Youth Life Foundation

Our church: Church Retreat, April 29th, Howard and Kellie Brown speaking

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

## **Offering**

## Scripture Reading

*Whoever oppresses a poor man insults his Maker,  
but he who is generous to the needy honors him.*

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## Song of Preparation

Behold me here, in grief draw near,  
Pleading at Thy throne, oh King.  
To Thee each tear, each trembling fear,  
Jesus, Son of Man, I bring.

Let me find Thee, let me find Thee.  
Let me find Thee,  
Lord of mercy, King of grace.

Look down in love, and from above,  
With Thy Spirit, satisfy.  
Thou hast sought me, Thou hast bought me,  
And Thy purchase, Lord, am I.

Let me find Thee, let me find Thee.  
Let me find Thee,  
here on earth and then on high.

Hear the broken, scarcely spoken,  
Longings of my heart to Thee.  
All the crying, all the sighing,  
Of Thy child, accepted be.

Let me find Thee, let me find Thee.  
Let me find Thee,  
wounded healer, suffering Lord.

*repeat*

*Proverbs 14:31*

*Let Me Find Thee*

*Words: Joachim Neander  
Music: Matthew S. Smith  
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Our mind, body, and spirit  
are nourished with food  
that does not perish.

# God feeds us with His Word

## Sermon Text

### Ruth 2

Now Naomi had a relative of her husband's, a worthy man of the clan of Elimelech, whose name was Boaz. 2 And Ruth the Moabite said to Naomi, "Let me go to the field and glean among the ears of grain after him in whose sight I shall find favor." And she said to her, "Go, my daughter." 3 So she set out and went and gleaned in the field after the reapers, and she happened to come to the part of the field belonging to Boaz, who was of the clan of Elimelech. 4 And behold, Boaz came from Bethlehem. And he said to the reapers, "The Lord be with you!" And they answered, "The Lord bless you." 5 Then Boaz said to his young man who was in charge of the reapers, "Whose young woman is this?" 6 And the servant who was in charge of the reapers answered, "She is the young Moabite woman, who came back with Naomi from the country of Moab. 7 She said, 'Please let me glean and gather among the sheaves after the reapers.' So she came, and she has continued from early morning until now, except for a short rest."

8 Then Boaz said to Ruth, "Now, listen, my daughter, do not go to glean in another field or leave this one, but keep close to my young women. 9 Let your eyes be on the field that they are reaping, and go after them. Have I not charged the young men not to touch you? And when you are thirsty, go to the vessels and drink what the young men have drawn." 10 Then she fell on her face, bowing to the ground, and said to him, "Why have I found favor in your eyes, that you should take notice of me, since I am a foreigner?" 11 But Boaz answered her, "All that you have done for your mother-in-law since the death of your husband has been fully told to me, and how you left your father and mother and your native land and came to a people that you did not know before. 12 The Lord repay you for what you have done, and a full reward be given you by the Lord, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge!" 13 Then she said, "I have found favor in your eyes, my lord, for you have comforted me and spoken kindly to your servant, though I am not one of your servants."

14 And at mealtime Boaz said to her, "Come here and eat some bread and dip your morsel in the wine." So she sat beside the reapers, and he passed to her roasted grain. And she ate until she was satisfied, and she had some left over. 15 When she rose to glean, Boaz instructed his young men, saying, "Let her glean even among the sheaves, and do not reproach her. 16 And also pull out some from the bundles for her and leave it for her to glean, and do not rebuke her."

17 So she gleaned in the field until evening. Then she beat out what she had gleaned, and it was about an ephah of barley. 18 And she took it up and went into the city. Her mother-in-law saw what she had gleaned. She also brought out and gave her what food she had left over after being satisfied. 19 And her mother-in-law said to her, "Where did you glean today? And where have you worked? Blessed be the man who took notice of you." So she told her mother-in-law with whom she had worked and said, "The man's name with whom I worked today is Boaz." 20 And Naomi said to her daughter-in-law, "May he be blessed by the Lord, whose kindness has not forsaken the living or the dead!" Naomi also said to her, "The man is a close relative of ours, one of our redeemers." 21 And Ruth the Moabite said, "Besides, he said to me, 'You shall keep close by my young men until they have finished all my harvest.'" 22 And Naomi said to Ruth, her daughter-in-law, "It is good, my daughter, that you go out with his young women, lest in another field you be assaulted." 23 So she kept close to the young women of Boaz, gleaning until the end of the barley and wheat harvests. And she lived with her mother-in-law.

### 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  
Rev. Robert Binion, Assistant  
Pastor at McLean Presbyter-  
ian Church in McLean, VA.

## 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, 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.

## Song of Communion

Bread of heaven, sent down from glory,  
Many things you were on Earth:  
A holy King, a carpenter.  
You are the living Word.

Awesome ruler, gentle redeemer,  
God with us, the living truth,  
And what a friend we have in You.  
You are the living Word.

Jesus, Jesus - that's what we call You,  
Manger born, put on a tree,  
You died to save humanity.  
You are the living Word!

*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**

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

***You Are the Living Word***

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*John 1:1, 6:35  
Matthew 21:5*

We go out with renewed  
faith to love our God and  
our neighbors.

### **You Are Good**

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Israel Houghton  
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Music

Psalm 100:5, 106:1

# God sends us out refreshed

## Song of Rejoicing

Lord You are good,  
and Your mercy endureth forever!  
Lord You are good,  
and Your mercy endureth forever!

*chorus*

Yes, You are! Yes, You are! Yes, You are!  
So good, so good!

*repeat*

People from every nation and tongue,  
from generation to generation...

You are good all the time;  
all the time You are good!

*repeat*

We worship You! Hallelujah, Hallelujah!  
We worship You for who You are!  
We worship You! Hallelujah, Hallelujah!  
We worship You for who You are -  
You are good!

*verse*

People from every nation and tongue,  
from generation to generation...

*verse*

*chorus*

## Benediction

### **About**

Northside Church of Richmond is a mission church of the Presbyterian Church in America ([www.pcanet.org](http://www.pcanet.org)), planted in October 2011.

### **Worship Service**

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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