



# northside church

OF RICHMOND

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## **Meditation**

Humility is the oil that allows relationships in the church to run smoothly and lovingly.

~ Tom Schreiner

*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.*

God is present with us in worship, and we ask Him to turn our hearts and minds toward Him.

### **Everlasting God**

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Isaiah 40:28-31

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**Psalm 66:1-2, 5, 8-9, 16-17, 20**

*Please stand if able.*

# We gather in the presence of God

## **Song of Gathering**

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord.

We will wait upon the Lord,  
We will wait upon the Lord.

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord.

We will wait upon the Lord,  
We will wait upon the Lord.

Our God, You reign forever.  
Our hope, our Strong Deliverer!

You are the everlasting God,  
The everlasting God.  
You do not faint, You won't grow weary.

You're the defender of the weak,  
You comfort those in need,  
You lift us up on wings like eagles.

## **Welcome and Call to Worship**

Leader: *Shout for joy to God, all the earth;  
sing the glory of his name;  
give to him glorious praise!*

**People: *Come and see what God has done:  
he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man.***

Leader: *Bless our God, O peoples;  
let the sound of his praise be heard,  
who has kept our soul among the living  
and has not let our feet slip.*

**People: *Come and hear, all you who fear God,  
and I will tell what he has done for my soul.***

Leader: *I cried to him with my mouth,  
and high praise was on my tongue.*

**People: *Blessed be God,  
because he has not rejected my prayer  
or removed his steadfast love from me!***

## Song of Praise

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 (x2)*

## Scripture Reading

*Go on up to a high mountain,  
O Zion, herald of good news;  
lift up your voice with strength,  
O Jerusalem, herald of good news;  
lift it up, fear not;  
say to the cities of Judah,  
"Behold your God!"  
Behold, the Lord GOD comes with might,  
and his arm rules for him;  
behold, his reward is with him,  
and his recompense before him.  
He will tend his flock like a shepherd;  
he will gather the lambs in his arms;  
he will carry them in his bosom,  
and gently lead those that are with young.*

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## *Jesus Everlasting King*

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*Matthew 21:1-15*

## *Isaiah 40:9-11*

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

*Please read together.*

**1 Peter 3:18a**

***Psalm 126 (All Those  
Who Are Weeping)***

*Words and music:  
Isaac Wardell  
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# We confess our sin and receive grace

## Confession of Sin

Generous God, You sent us the Spirit of courage, but we act out of fear.  
You sent us the Spirit of truth, but we often trust lies instead.  
You sent us the Spirit of healing, but we cannot let go of our hurts.  
Now our hearts are suspicious, our minds are confused, and our faith is timid.

Hear our confession, and come near to us with mercy.  
We hold out to You all our particular burdens of guilt and sin.  
Help us rest in Your forgiveness, and rejoice in Your power to change sinners.  
Teach us to love You with our whole being, and to walk in Your ways. Amen.

## Silent Confession

## Assurance of Pardon

*For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God.*

## Song of Renewal

Our mouths, they were filled, filled with laughter;  
Our tongues, they were loosed, loosed with joy;  
Restore us, O Lord! Restore us, O Lord!

Although we are weeping,  
Lord help us keep sowing,  
The seeds of Your Kingdom  
for the day You will reap them!  
Your sheaves we will carry,  
Lord please do not tarry.  
All those who sow weeping  
will go out with songs of joy.

The nations will say, "He has done great things!"  
The nations will sing songs of joy.  
Restore us, O Lord! Restore us, O Lord!

*chorus*

# We respond to the grace received

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

## Passing of the Peace

## Community Life

Ministry Update - Gentrification with Justice Engagement Team

## Offering

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

## Song of Preparation

Before I knew what freedom was,  
Jesus set me free.

With no control, a slave to sin,  
God was my enemy.

But then He broke my rusty chains  
to share eternity.

Before I knew what freedom was,  
Jesus set me free.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah,  
Hallelujah, Jesus set me free!

Before I knew what loving was,  
He showed His love for me.  
He knew me in my mother's womb,  
He knew my sinful tendencies.

Adopted by His saving grace  
into His family.

Before I knew what loving was,  
He showed His love for me.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah,  
Hallelujah, He showed His love for me!

Before I knew what living was,  
He gave His life for me.  
I was defeated in my sins,  
death had the victory.  
Then all my guilt was placed on Him,  
That day on Calvary.  
Before I knew what living was,  
He gave His life for me.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah,  
Hallelujah, He gave His life for me!

Hallelujah, Hallelujah,  
Hallelujah, Jesus set me free!

### *Before I Knew*

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

**1 Peter 5:1-5**

**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

*So I exhort the elders among you, as a fellow elder and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as a partaker in the glory that is going to be revealed: 2 shepherd the flock of God that is among you, exercising oversight, not under compulsion, but willingly, as God would have you; not for shameful gain, but eagerly; 3 not domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock. 4 And when the chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory. 5 Likewise, you who are younger, be subject to the elders. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."*

**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

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

## 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.*

**1 Corinthians 11:23b-26**

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.

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

## Song of Communion

My God is awesome, He can move mountains,  
Keep me in the valley, hide me from the rain.  
My God is awesome, heals me when I'm broken,  
Strength where I've been weakened,  
forever He will reign.

He's mighty, He's mighty, He's mighty, He's mighty!  
Awesome, awesome!

*repeat* He's holy, He's holy, He's holy, He's holy!  
Awesome, awesome!

My God is awesome, awesome,  
awesome, awesome!  
My God is awesome, awesome,  
awesome, awesome!

He's great, He's great, He's great, He's great!  
Awesome, awesome!

Provider, Provider, Provider, Provider!  
Awesome, awesome!

My God is awesome, Savior of the whole world  
Giver of salvation, by His stripes I am healed.  
My God is awesome, today I am forgiven,  
His grace is why I'm living, praise His holy name!

Protector, Protector, Protector, Protector!  
Awesome, awesome!

*chorus*

Deliverer, Deliverer, Deliverer, Deliverer!  
Awesome, awesome!

**Awesome**

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*We go forth to love and  
serve God and neighbor.*

# God sends us out refreshed

## ***Blessed Be Your Name***

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*Job 1:21-22  
Psalm 113:2-3  
Daniel 2:20-23*

## **Song of Rejoicing**

Blessed be Your name  
In the land that is plentiful,  
Where Your streams of abundance flow  
Blessed be Your name.  
Blessed be Your name  
When I'm found in the desert place,  
Though I walk through the wilderness  
Blessed be Your name.

Every blessing You pour out  
I'll turn back to praise.  
When the darkness closes in, Lord,  
Still I will say,

Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
Blessed be Your name!  
Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
Blessed be Your glorious name!

Blessed be Your name  
When the sun's shining down on me,  
When the world's all as it should be,  
Blessed be Your name.  
Blessed be Your name  
On the road marked with suffering,  
Though there's pain in the offering  
Blessed be Your name.

Every blessing You pour out  
I'll turn back to praise.  
When the darkness closes in, Lord,  
Still I will say,

*chorus (x2)*

You give and take away,  
You give and take away,  
My heart will choose to say  
"Lord, blessed be Your name."

*repeat*

*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**

Sunday at 4pm in the fellowship hall of Battery Park Christian Church @ the corner of Brook and Bellevue. Visitors are always welcome!

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