



northside church

OF RICHMOND

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Meditation

Most of us find it very difficult to want “heaven” at all- except in so far as “heaven” means meeting again our friends who have died. One reason for this difficulty is that we have not been trained: our whole education tends to fix our minds on this world. Another reason is that when the real want for Heaven is present in us, we do not recognize it. Most people, if they had really learned to look into their own hearts, would know that they do want, and want acutely, something that cannot be had in this world. There are all sorts of things in this world that offer to give it to you, but they never quite keep their promise. The longings which arise in us when we first fall in love, or first think of some foreign country, or first take up some subject that excites us, are longings which no marriage, no travel, no learning, can really satisfy. I am not now speaking of what would be ordinarily called unsuccessful marriages, or holidays, or learned careers. I am speaking of the best possible ones. - C.S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*

*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.

You Reign

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Psalm 18:1-4, 6, 30-31

Please stand if able.

God calls us into His presence to worship

Song of Gathering

My God reigns; our God reigns.
Lord, You reign above every name!

My God reigns; our God reigns.
Lord, You reign above every name!

With power and majesty,
dominion, authority - You reign!

With power and majesty,
dominion, authority - You reign!

verse

chorus

Over my circumstance,
You've given me another chance – You reign!
repeat

You reign! You reign! You reign!
repeat

Call to Worship

Leader: *I love you, O LORD, my strength.
The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,
my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,
my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.*

People: *I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised,
and I am saved from my enemies.*

Leader: *In my distress I called upon the LORD;
to my God I cried for help.*

People: *From his temple he heard my voice,
and my cry to him reached his ears.*

Leader: *This God – his way is perfect;
the word of the LORD proves true;
he is a shield for all those who take refuge in him.*

People: *For who is God, but the LORD?
And who is a rock, except our God?*

Song of Praise

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.

Confession of Sin

Merciful Father, we confess that we often wander from You:
We try to live by our own rules rather than obey Your word.
We try to find rest in sin instead of in Your presence.
All the while, we refuse to listen to Your Spirit.

Just as You promise, have mercy and restore those who confess their faults:
Refresh us through humility and submission to Your will.
Remind us that life and health are only found in You.
Give us grace and strength to follow where Your Spirit leads.

In the name of Jesus our Savior, to the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned – every one – to his own way;
and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.*

Everlasting God

*Words and music: Brenton
Brown, Ken Riley
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Isaiah 40:28-31

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

Isaiah 53:6

Healer

Words and music:

Mike Guglielmucci

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Song of Renewal

You hold my every moment,

You calm my raging seas.

You walk with me through fire,
and heal all my disease.

I trust in You; Lord, I trust in You.

I believe You're my healer,

I believe You are all I need.

I believe You're my portion,

I believe You're more than enough for me.

Jesus, You're all I need.

chorus

Nothing is impossible for You,
nothing is impossible.

Nothing is impossible for You,
You hold my world in Your hands.

repeat

chorus

verse

*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

Update and Prayer: Race and the Church session 6, November 19th @ 9-11am

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

Offering

Scripture Reading

Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, because we are members of his body. "Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

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

Ephesians 5:25-33

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.*

Revelation 19:6-9

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

6 Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the roar of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, crying out,

"Hallelujah!

For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns.

7 Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory,

for the marriage of the Lamb has come,

and his Bride has made herself ready;

8 it was granted her to clothe herself

with fine linen, bright and pure"—

for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.

9 And the angel said to me, "Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb." And he said to me, "These are the true words of God."

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

Everyone needs compassion,
love that's never failing.
Let mercy fall on me.
Everyone needs forgiveness,
the kindness of a Savior,
The hope of nations.

So take me as You find me,
all my fears and failures.
Fill my life again.
I give my life to follow,
everything I believe in.
Now I surrender.

chorus

Savior, He can move the mountains,
My God is mighty to save,
He is mighty to save!
Forever, Author of salvation
He rose and conquered the grave,
Jesus conquered the grave!

Shine your light and let the whole world see.
We're singing for the glory of the risen King.
Shine your light and let the whole world see.
We're singing for the glory of the risen King.

chorus

Mighty To Save

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Zephaniah 3:17, Hebrews 2:10, Ezekiel 38:20

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

How Great Thou Art

*Words and music:
Stuart K. Hine
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God sends us out refreshed

Song of Rejoicing

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder,
Consider all the works Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul,
my Savior, God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!
Then sings my soul,
my Savior, God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

And when I think that God, his Son, not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in –
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died, to take away my sin.

chorus

When Christ shall come with shouts of acclamation,
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim,
“My God, how great Thou art!”

chorus (x2)

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

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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