

# northside church of RICHMOND

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Aim at Heaven and you will get earth 'thrown in'; aim at earth and you will get neither. -C.S. Lewis

# God gathers us together for worship

### **Call to Worship**

- Leader: The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake! The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples. Let them praise your great and awesome name! Holy is he!
- People: The King in his might loves justice. You have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

Leader: Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool! Holy is he!

Psalm 99:1-5

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

#### Worship in Song

"Arise, Oh God"

"The Greatness of You"

"How Great Thou Art"

# Passing of the Peace

# **Community Life**

Update and prayer: Manor Care Engagement Team

# **Scripture Reading**

*Matthew 24:36-39* Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!** 

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#### **Offering & Worship in Song**

"Holy Spirit"

Today in Children's Worship, children 4 years old through 2nd grade will learn from the Jesus Storybook Bible: The Story of Abraham and Isaac (Genesis 22).

# **God feeds us with His Word**

#### Sermon

And when we had parted from them and set sail, we came by a straight course to Cos, and the next day to Rhodes, and from there to Patara. 2 And having found a ship crossing to Phoenicia, we went aboard and set sail. 3 When we had come in sight of Cyprus, leaving it on the left we sailed to Syria and landed at Tyre, for there the ship was to unload its cargo. 4 And having sought out the disciples, we stayed there for seven days. And through the Spirit they were telling Paul not to go on to Jerusalem. 5 When our days there were ended, we departed and went on our journey, and they all, with wives and children, accompanied us until we were outside the city. And kneeling down on the beach, we prayed 6 and said farewell to one another. Then we went on board the ship, and they returned home.

7 When we had finished the voyage from Tyre, we arrived at Ptolemais, and we greeted the brothers and stayed with them for one day. 8 On the next day we departed and came to Caesarea, and we entered the house of Philip the evangelist, who was one of the seven, and stayed with him. 9 He had four unmarried daughters, who prophesied. 10 While we were staying for many days, a prophet named Agabus came down from Judea. 11 And coming to us, he took Paul's belt and bound his own feet and hands and said, "Thus says the Holy Spirit, 'This is how the Jews at Jerusalem will bind the man who owns this belt and deliver him into the hands of the Gentiles."" 12 When we heard this, we and the people there urged him not to go up to Jerusalem. 13 Then Paul answered, "What are you doing, weeping and breaking my heart? For I am ready not only to be imprisoned but even to die in Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus." 14 And since he would not be persuaded, we ceased and said, "Let the will of the Lord be done."

15 After these days we got ready and went up to Jerusalem. 16 And some of the disciples from Caesarea went with us, bringing us to the house of Mnason of Cyprus, an early disciple, with whom we should lodge.

Leader: The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever. People: Praise be to God! Isaiah 40:8

Today's sermon is given by Senior Pastor Matt Lorish.

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Acts 21:1-16
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# **Altar Ministry of Prayer and Communion**

Leader: Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of our faith: **People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.** 

Prayer is taking place up front. If you have spiritual questions, if you're are looking for a church to join, if you prayed the prayer of belief earlier, or if you have some other need in your life to bring to God, please come up front to receive prayer from those wearing Prayer Team badges.

Communion is taking place in the back. All who have repented of their sins, put their faith in Jesus as Savior, and are members in good standing of a Bible-believing church are invited to participate. Please come back through the center aisle to any of the 3 communion stations and take a cup and a piece of bread. Gluten and nut-free wafers are in the wooden boxes. Please indicate whether you want juice or wine. An elder will speak words of encouragement and then everyone at the station will partake together. Children with you who are not yet taking communion will be prayed for during this time.

# Worship in Song

"Draw Me Close"

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"Fights For Me"

# Benediction

#### About Us

Northside Church of Richmond was planted in October 2011, within the James River Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in America (www.pcanet.org).

Public worship held on Sundays at 4pm in the fellowship hall of Battery Park Christian Church, on the corner of Brook and Bellevue. Visitors always welcome!

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