



northside church

OF RICHMOND

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Meditations

"The mass of men lead lives of quiet desperation . . . They are employed, as it says in an old book, laying up treasures which moth and rust will corrupt and thieves break through and steal. It is a fool's life."

- Henry David Thoreau, *Walden*

Readings to help you engage with God and worship, as Jesus said, "in spirit and in truth."

When you hear the first song begin, please come take a seat and continue preparing for worship by praying, reading the meditation quotes above, or singing along.

Up On A Mountain

Words, music: Vito Aiuto
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A recognition of the presence of God among us, which influences the posture of our hearts.

Psalm 100

Please stand if able.

Song of Gathering

Up on a mountain our Lord is alone,
Without a family, friends, or a home.
He cries, "Oh, oh, oh, will you stay with me?"
He cries, "Oh, oh, oh, will you wait with me?"

Up on a mountain our Lord is afraid,
Carrying all the mistakes we have made.
And He knew it's a long way down.
Do you know it's a long way down?

Up in the heavens our Lord prays for you,
He sends His Spirit to carry us through.
So it's true that you're not alone.
Do you know he came all the way down?

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Do you know he came all the way down?

We gather in the presence of God

Welcome and Call to Worship

Leader: *Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!*

People: *Serve the Lord with gladness!*
Come into his presence with singing!

Leader: *Know that the Lord, he is God!*

People: *It is he who made us, and we are his;*
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Leader: *Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!*
Give thanks to him; bless his name!

People: *For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever,*
and his faithfulness to all generations.

Song of Praise

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty,
Early in the morning
our song shall rise to Thee.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity.

Holy, holy, holy, all the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns
around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim
falling down before Thee,
Who wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy, though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man,
Thy glory may not see.
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty,
All thy works shall praise Thy name
in earth, and sky, and sea.
Holy, holy, holy,
merciful and mighty,
God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Words: Reginald Heber

Music: John B. Dykes

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Scripture Reading

But godliness with contentment is great gain, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

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As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

1 Timothy 6:6-10, 17-19

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

Please read together.

Isaiah 53:6

Depth of Mercy

*Words: Charles Wesley
Music: Jeff Koonce, Clint
Wells, Brian T. Murphy
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Music*

We confess our sin and receive grace

Confession of Sin

O Lord, You are the Giver of every good gift.
You have given us so much.
Yet, in our ingratitude and sin, we rebel in lust for more.
We have coveted what our neighbor has been given.
Even worse, we have loved and trusted the gifts,
rather than resting on You, the Giver.
For Christ's sake, forgive us for sinning against You,
and for our slowness to trust You and give You thanks.
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.*

Song of Renewal

Depth of mercy! Can there be
mercy still reserved for me?
Can my God His wrath forbear,
me, the chief of sinners, spare?
I have long withstood His grace,
long provoked Him to His face,
Would not hearken to His calls,
grieved Him by a thousand falls.

I have spilt His precious blood,
trampled on the Son of God,
Filled with pangs unspeakable,
I, who yet am not in hell!
I my Master have denied,
I afresh have crucified,
And profaned His hallowed Name,
put Him to an open shame.

Jesus speaks, and pleads His blood!
He disarms the wrath of God;
Now my Father's mercies move,
justice lingers into love.
There for me the Savior stands,
shows His wounds and spreads His hands.
God is love! I know, I feel;
Jesus weeps and loves me still.

Pity from Thine eye let fall,
by a look my soul recall;
Now the stone to flesh convert,
cast a look, and break my heart.
Now incline me to repent,
let me now my sins lament,
Now my foul revolt deplore,
weep, believe, and sin no more.

We respond to the grace received

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

Passing of the Peace

The peace God made with us is extended to those around us.

Community Life

Prayers of the People

The world: World Harvest Team - Bundibugyo, Uganda

The Northside: Jobs For Life, a vocational development program

Our church: Inaugural membership class, starting July 11

Offering

Today we are collecting an offering for the mercy fund in a tan basket in addition to the weekly general fund offering in the multi-colored basket.

The mercy fund is used for financial assistance to those in need from our church and the Northside.

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

Song of Preparation

I have a Maker,
He formed my heart.
Before even time began,
My life was in His hands.

He knows my name,
He knows my every thought.
He sees each tear that falls,
and He hears me when I call.

I have a Maker,
He formed my heart.
Before even time began,
My life was in His hands.

I have a Father,
He calls me His own.
He'll never leave me,
No matter where I go.

chorus

He Knows My Name

Words, music: Tommy Walker

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

Matthew 6:19-24

Isaiah 40:8

*Today's sermon is given by
Andrew Conrad, pastor of
Spring Run Presbyterian
Church.*

*We encourage you to use
this space to take notes or
write questions.*

God feeds us with His Word

Sermon Text

19 *"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, 20 but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. 21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.*

22 *"The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, 23 but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!*

24 *"No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money."*

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

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

When you are ready, please come to one of the communion stations.
You will circle the communion station with others in a group of about 6.
Gluten-free wafers are located in the wooden boxes; grape juice is available upon request.
If you would like, a communion distributor will pray for your children.
There is a person at the back of the fellowship hall ready to pray with and for you, if desired.

Song of Communion

Let us break bread together on our knees,
Let us break bread together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees,
Let us drink wine together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees,
Let us praise God together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

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

1 Corinthians 11:23b-26

Communion at Northside is a patient, relaxed time. As others take communion please feel free to pray, sing along, or talk quietly with your neighbor.

Break Bread

*Anonymous African-American spiritual
Contemporary arrangement
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*We go forth to love and
serve God and neighbor.*

God sends us out refreshed

The Doxology

*Words: Thomas Ken
Music: Louis Bourgeois
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Songs of Rejoicing

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

*Words: George Matheson
Music: Christopher Miner
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Music*

O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe,
That in Thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

O Light that follow'st all my way,
I yield my flick'ring torch to Thee.
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day,
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to Thee.
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain,
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from Thee.
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red,
Life that shall endless be.

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*At the end of the service,
please pick up your children
from the nursery.*

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

Each Sunday at 4pm in the fellowship hall of Battery Park Christian Church, located on the corner of Brook Rd and Bellevue Ave.

Visitors are always welcome!

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