



# northside church

OF RICHMOND

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## **Meditation**

Persecution is simply the clash between two irreconcilable value-systems.

- John Stott

*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.*

### **10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)**

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*Psalm 103:1-5*

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### **Psalm 9:1-2, 5-10**

*Please stand if able.*

# God calls us into His presence to worship

## Song of Gathering

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,

It's time to sing Your song again.

Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,

Let me be singing when the evening comes.

Bless the Lord O my soul,

O my soul,

Worship His Holy name.

Sing like never before, O my soul.

I'll worship Your Holy name!

You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger.

Your name is great, and Your heart is kind.

For all Your goodness I will keep on singing

Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

*chorus*

And on that day when my strength is failing,

The end draws near and my time has come.

Still my soul will sing Your praise unending,

Ten thousand years and then forevermore.

*chorus*

## Call to Worship

Leader: *I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart;*

*I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.*

*I will be glad and exult in you;*

*I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.*

**People: *You have rebuked the nations; you have made the wicked perish;  
you have blotted out their name forever and ever.***

***The enemy came to an end in everlasting ruins;  
their cities you rooted out;***

***the very memory of them has perished.***

Leader: *But the LORD sits enthroned forever;*

*he has established his throne for justice,*

*and he judges the world with righteousness;*

*he judges the peoples with uprightness.*

**People: *The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed,  
a stronghold in times of trouble.***

***And those who know your name put their trust in you,  
for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek 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

Heavenly Father, you have loved us with an everlasting love,  
but we have gone our own way and broken your laws.  
We are sorry for our sins and turn away from them.

For the sake of your Son who died for us,  
forgive us, cleanse us, and change us.

By your Holy Spirit, enable us to live for you,  
and to please you more and more;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Silent Confession

## Assurance of Pardon

*The next day [John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"*

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

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

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become a **surety** of a better  
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ciled relationship with God.*

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

***John 1:29***

## ***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**

Reflection and Prayer: Race and the Church

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

## **Offering**

## Scripture Reading

*Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? And*

*"If the righteous is scarcely saved,  
what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?"*

*Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good.*

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## Song of Preparation

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,  
just to take Him at His Word;  
Just to rest upon His promise,  
just to know, "Thus saith the Lord!"

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!  
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er  
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!  
O for grace to trust Him more!

O how sweet to trust in Jesus,  
Just to trust His cleansing blood;  
And in simple faith to plunge me  
'Neath the healing, cleansing flood!

*chorus*

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus,  
Just from sin and self to cease;  
Just from Jesus simply taking  
Life and rest, and joy and peace.

*chorus*

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee,  
Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;  
And I know that You are with me,  
Will be with me to the end.

*chorus*

**1 Peter 4:12-19**

***'Tis So Sweet To Trust  
In Jesus***

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

# God feeds us with His Word

**John 15:18-21**

*18 "If the world hates you, know that it has hated me before it hated you. 19 If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you. 20 Remember the word that I said to you: 'A servant is not greater than his master.' If they persecuted me, they will also persecute you. If they kept my word, they will also keep yours. 21 But all these things they will do to you on account of my name, because they do not know him who sent me."*

**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  
Pastor Matt Lorish.*

## Sermon

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

# 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

Jesus my great High Priest offered His blood and died

My guilty conscience seeks no sacrifice beside.

His pow'ful blood did once atone,

And now it pleads before the throne,

And now it pleads before the throne.

To this dear Surety's hand will I commit my cause;

He answers and fulfills His Father's broken laws.

Behold my soul, at freedom set -

My Surety paid the dreadful debt,

My Surety paid the dreadful debt.

Now I approach the throne,

and I have confidence,

For Jesus, my great High Priest,

offered His blood and died...

Now I approach the throne,

and I have confidence,

For Jesus, my great High Priest,

offered His blood and died for me.

My Advocate appears for my defense on high.

The Father bows His ears and lays His thunder by.

Not all that hell or sin can say

Shall turn His heart, His love, away

Shall turn His heart, His love, away.

*chorus*

Should all the hosts of death

and pow'rs of hell unknown,

Put their most dreadful forms

of rage and mischief on,

I shall be safe, for Christ displays

His conqu'ring power and guardian grace;

His conqu'ring power and guardian grace.

*chorus*

*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.*

### **Jesus My Great High Priest**

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(chorus by Kirk Ward)  
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*Hebrews 4:14-5:10*

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The sacrifice of Jesus is the solid foundation for a reconciled relationship with God.*

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

**Down At the Cross  
(Glory To His Name)**

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Music: John H. Stockton,  
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# God sends us out refreshed

## Song of Rejoicing

Down at the cross where my Savior died,  
Down where for cleansing from sin I cried,  
There to my heart was the blood applied;  
Glory to His Name!

Glory to His Name, glory to His Name!  
There to my heart was the blood applied  
Glory to His Name!

I am so wondrously saved from sin  
Jesus so sweetly abides within.  
There at the cross where He took me in,  
Glory to His Name!

*chorus*

O precious fountain that saves from sin  
I am so glad I have entered in.  
There Jesus saves me and keeps me clean;  
Glory to His Name!

*chorus*

Come to the fountain so rich and sweet,  
Cast thy poor soul at the Savior's feet.  
Plunge in today, and be made complete;  
Glory to His Name!

*chorus (x2)*

## 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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