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There are two fundamental reasons why you should pray. First of all, you should pray because the word of God commands it. Secondly, you should pray because it works! God is willing to hear and able to answer prayer. Prayer is the means God has chosen to provide for his adopted children in Christ.

- Pastor H.B. Charles

God gathers us together for worship

Worship in Song

"Oh Give Thanks"

Words and music: Judith McAllister

Call to Worship

Leader: Bless the LORD, O my soul,

and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

People: Bless the LORD, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word,

obeying the voice of his word!

Leader: Bless the LORD, all his hosts,

his ministers, who do his will!

People: Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his dominion.

Bless the LORD, O my soul!

Worship in Song

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

Psalm 103:1, 20-22

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Confession and Assurance

Loving Lord and King, all of our lives are laid bare before Your eyes:

We often promote ourselves, and overlook people around us.

We nurse anger and envy in secret, while wearing a cheery façade.

We tether our joy to our circumstances, rather than to the gospel.

We repent of our fruitless wanderings, and ask that You cover us in Jesus Christ.

Let us hear Your voice saying: "Awake and rise!

His blood is your peace, His death is your life, His Spirit is your power."

Convince us that a life lived in Your service is perfect freedom. Amen.

- silent confession -

1 Peter 2:24

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

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Worship in Song

"Awesome"

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

Passing of the Peace

Community Life

Update and prayer: Amalia Kobelja

Scripture Reading

Matthew 9:35-36

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!**

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Offering, Worship in Song

"I'll Just Say Yes"

God feeds us with His Word

Sermon

Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus was making and baptizing more John 4:1-10 disciples than John 2 (although Jesus himself did not baptize, but only his disciples), 3 he left Judea and departed again for Galilee. 4 And he had to pass through Samaria. 5 So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. 6 Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

7 A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." 8 (For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) 9 The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) 10 Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water."

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 Tiont Williams, Director of Richmond City Young Life.

1 Corinthians 11:23b-26

Gluten and nut-free wafers can be found in the wooden boxes.

At the front right of the room stands a person ready to pray with and for you.

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The Lord's Supper

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.

Worship in Song

"The Anthem"

"Leaning On the Everlasting Arms"

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

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

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