



# northside church

OF RICHMOND

**March 24, 2019**

The Cross is not simply a lovely example of sacrificial love. Throwing your life away needlessly is not admirable - it is wrong. Jesus's death was only a good example if it was more than an example, if it was something absolutely necessary to rescue us. And it was. Why did Jesus have to die in order to forgive us? There was a debt to be paid -- God himself paid it. There was a penalty to be born -- God himself bore it. Forgiveness is always a form of costly suffering.

- Tim Keller, *The Reason for God*

## God gathers us together for worship

### Call to Worship

Leader: *Clap your hands, all peoples!  
Shout to God with loud songs of joy!  
For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared,  
a great king over all the earth.  
Sing praises to God, sing praises!  
Sing praises to our King, sing praises!  
For God is King of all the earth;  
sing praises with a psalm.  
God reigns over the nations;  
God sits on his holy throne.*

*Psalms 47:1-2, 6-8*

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## Worship in Song

“Arise, Oh God”

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“The Word” Church Praise Team

“Clap Your Hands”

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Pace’s Vision Music | Zomba Songs

“I Will Bless the Lord at All Times”

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: Last Sunday Potlucks

## Scripture Reading

*Romans 3:21-25*

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

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## Offering & Worship in Song

“The Anthem”

# God feeds us with His Word

## Sermon

*16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.*

Leader: *The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.*

**People: Praise be to God!**

*Romans 1:16*

*Isaiah 40:8*

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

## 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.

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## Worship in Song

"The Anthem"

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Scripture: Ephesians 3:20

"He's Able"

## Benediction

### About

Northside Church of Richmond is a church of the James River Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in America ([www.pcanet.org](http://www.pcanet.org)), planted in Oct 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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