



northside church

OF RICHMOND

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There is no one culture that is more appropriate for the gospel than some other culture. Racial superiority has to end. Cultural superiority has to end. The Holy Spirit's job is to come into each and every culture and recreate Christianity in that culture. No culture has a leg up on any other.

- Tim Keller

God gathers us together for worship

Worship in Song

"I Will Bless the Lord At All Times"

Words and music: Joe Pace
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Call to Worship

Leader: *Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!*

Psalm 146:1-2, 5-8, 10

People: *I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.*

Leader: *Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God,
who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever;
who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry.*

People: *The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.
The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.*

Leader: *The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations.
Praise the LORD!*

People: *Praise the LORD!*

Worship in Song

"All Who Call"

Words and music: Josh Davis
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This is a time to be honest with God about our sin and ask Him for forgiveness through Jesus.

Confession and Assurance

Holy God, together we confess our sinful attitudes and actions:

We act like our own providers, fail to give You thanks, and then use our resources selfishly.

We often have eyes only for our own concerns and not for those of our neighbors.

And in difficult circumstances we doubt Your love and accuse You of neglect.

We repent from our sins and turn to You alone for forgiveness.

Lord Jesus, teach us the joy of following You with humility and obedience.

Holy Spirit, sustain our faith and conform us to the likeness of Christ.

Heavenly Father, remind us of Your great love and be glorified in our lives. Amen.

- silent confession -

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

Ephesians 2:13

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Music: Ashael Nettleton
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Worship in Song

“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

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

Baptism: Samuel Judah Martin

Scripture Reading

Romans 3:9-26

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Offering, Worship in Song

“Come Holy Spirit, Come”

Words: Joseph Hart
Music: Hiram Ring
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God feeds us with His Word

Sermon

Now the apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. 2 So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, 3 "You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them." 4 But Peter began and explained it to them in order: 5 "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me. 6 Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prey and reptiles and birds of the air. 7 And I heard a voice saying to me, 'Rise, Peter; kill and eat.' 8 But I said, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' 9 But the voice answered a second time from heaven, 'What God has made clean, do not call common.' 10 This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven. 11 And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea. 12 And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. 13 And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; 14 he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household.' 15 As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. 16 And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' 17 If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God's way?" 18 When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, "Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life."

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

People: Praise be to God!

Acts 11:1-18

Isaiah 40:8

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

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

"No Sweeter Name"

"Like No Other"

Benediction

About

Northside Church of Richmond is a church of the James River Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in America (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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