



# northside church

OF RICHMOND

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## **Meditations**

The biggest danger this side of eternity is death pretending to be life.

- Paul Tripp

*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.*

*God is present with us in worship. Declaring this together turns our hearts and minds toward Him.*

### ***Dayspring***

*Words: Charles Wesley*

*Music: Alex Mejias*

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# **We gather in the presence of God**

## **Song of Gathering**

Christ, whose glory fills the skies,  
Christ, the true, the only Light,  
Sun of Righteousness, arise!  
Triumph o'er the shades of night.

Dayspring from on high, be near.  
Daystar, in my heart appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn  
Were it ever without Thee.  
Joyless is the day's return,  
Till Thy mercy's beams I see,

Till they inward light impart,  
Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine!  
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!  
Fill me, radiancy divine,  
Scatter all my unbelief.

More and more Thyself display,  
Shining to the perfect day.  
*repeat*

Dayspring from on high, be near.  
Daystar, in my heart appear.

### ***Romans 11:33-36***

*Please stand if able.*

## **Welcome and Call to Worship**

Leader: *Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!*

**People:** ***How unsearchable are his judgments  
and how inscrutable his ways!***

Leader: *"For who has known the mind of the Lord,  
or who has been his counselor?"*

**People:** ***"Or who has given a gift to him  
that he might be repaid?"***

Leader: *For from him and through him and to him are all things.*

**People:** ***To him be glory forever.  
Amen.***

## Song of Praise

All hail the power of Jesus' Name!  
Let angels prostrate fall;  
Bring forth the royal **diadem**,  
and crown Him Lord of all!  
Bring forth the royal **diadem**,  
and crown Him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,  
ye ransomed from the fall,  
Hail Him Who saves you by His grace,  
and crown Him Lord of all!  
Hail Him Who saves you by His grace,  
and crown Him Lord of all!

Let ev'ry tribe and ev'ry tongue  
to Him their hearts enthrall.  
Lift high the universal song,  
and crown Him Lord of all!  
Lift high the universal song,  
and crown Him Lord of all!

O that, with yonder sacred throng,  
we at His feet may fall,  
Join in the everlasting song,  
and crown Him Lord of all!  
Join in the everlasting song,  
and crown Him Lord of all!

## *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

Words: Edward Perronet,  
John Rippon  
Music: Oliver Holden  
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A **diadem** is a crown worn  
as a sign of royalty.

## Scripture Reading

*Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though some- 1 Peter 4:12-13  
thing 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.*

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

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

*Please read together.*

**Romans 5:9**

**Great God From Thee**

*Words: John Newton  
Music: Justin Smith  
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# We confess our sin and receive grace

## Confession of Sin

Holy God, we are guilty - of rejecting Your commands, of doubting Your promises,  
of proud self-reliance, of neglect to rest in You.

Daily we fail to love You and our neighbor as we ought.

Praise You for providing the Savior in Jesus, who takes our sin and gives us His righteousness!

Lord, continue the work of salvation in us:

Conquer our weakness with Your strength, blot out our selfishness with Your glory.

Meet us in our suffering and disappointments, refine us as You see fit.

Keep us from returning to sin's bondage, brighten our hearts with Your grace.

Redirect our desires so that we delight deeply in You. Amen.

## Silent Confession

## Assurance of Pardon

*Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from  
the wrath of God.*

## Song of Renewal

Great God from Thee there's nought concealed,      His life and death in my behalf,  
Thou seest my inward frame.                              And calls my sins His own.  
To Thee I always stand revealed, exactly as I am.

Since I can hardly therefore bear,  
What in myself I see,  
How vile and dark must I appear,  
Most holy God to Thee?

But since my Savior stands between,  
In garments dyed in blood,  
'Tis He instead of me is seen,  
When I approach to God.

Thus though a sinner, I am safe,  
He pleads before the throne,

What wondrous love, what mysteries,  
In this appointment shine:  
My breaches of the law are His,  
And His obedience mine!

Great God from Thee there's nought concealed,  
Thou seest my inward frame.  
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# We respond to the grace received

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

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

## Passing of the Peace

## Community Life

### Prayers of the People

The world: Travis and Amy Johnson, Travis diagnosed with cancer

The Northside: Timothy Project, 8 students just returned from week-long camp

Our church: Will Wright, thankfulness for 2 year internship

## Offering

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

## Song of Preparation

You are always faithful,  
You are always true.  
Even when I'm faithless,  
Your love is ever new.

You are always faithful,  
You will always be.  
Even when I'm faithless,  
Your love covers me,  
Your love covers me.

When the waters are high,  
When my faith runs dry,  
In the shadows of night,  
Your love is my light.

You are always faithful,  
You will always be.  
Even when I'm faithless,  
Your love covers me,  
Your love covers me.

*chorus*

You are always faithful,  
You are always true.  
Even when I'm faithless,  
Your love is ever new,  
Your love is ever new.

### **Faithful**

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

**Matthew 10:26-42**

**Isaiah 40:8**

Today's sermon is given by  
Pastor Matt Lorish.

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

# God feeds us with His Word

## Sermon Text

26 "So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. 27 What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the house-tops. 28 And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. 29 Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. 30 But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. 31 Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. 32 So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, 33 but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

34 "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. 35 For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. 36 And a person's enemies will be those of his own household. 37 Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. 38 And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. 39 Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

40 "Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives him who sent me. 41 The one who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and the one who receives a righteous person because he is a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward. 42 And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward."

**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

Gluten-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

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.  
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.  
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.  
O Lord, have mercy on me.

*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.*

### Break Bread

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

# God sends us out refreshed

## ***The Doxology***

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## ***It Is Finished***

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*"Approbation" means an  
expression of warm  
approval.*

## **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.

"It is finished!" – Sinners, hear it!

Tis the dying Victor's cry;

"It is finished!" – Angels bear it,  
Bear the joyful truth on high:

"It is finished!" Tell it through the earth and sky!

"It is finished!" Tell it through the earth and sky!

Justice, from her awful station,  
Bars the sinner's peace no more.  
Justice views with **approbation**  
What the Savior did and bore.

Grace and mercy now display their boundless store.  
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"It is finished!" – All is over,  
Yes, the cup of wrath is drained.  
Such the truth these words discover,  
Thus the victory was obtained.

'Tis a victory none but Jesus could have gained.  
'Tis a victory none but Jesus could have gained.

Crown the mighty Conqueror, crown Him,  
Who His people's foes o'ercame!  
In the highest heaven enthrone Him,  
Men and angels sound His fame!

Great His glory! Jesus bears a matchless name.  
Great His glory! Jesus bears a matchless name.

*repeat*

## **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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