



northside church

O F R I C H M O N D

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Meditations

To be chosen, to be elect, therefore does not mean that the elect are the saved and the rest are the lost. To be elect in Christ Jesus, and there is no other election, means to be incorporated into his mission to the world, to be the bearer of God's saving purpose for his whole world, to be the sign and the agent and the first fruit of his blessed kingdom, which is for all.

- Lesslie Newbigin, *The Gospel in a Pluralist Society*

*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.

Faithful

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Luke 19:37-40

Please stand if able.

We gather in the presence of God

Song of Gathering

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.

Welcome and Call to Worship

Leader: *As [Jesus] was drawing near -
already on the way down the Mount of Olives -
the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice
and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen,
saying,*

People: *"Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"*

Leader: *And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him,
"Teacher, rebuke your disciples."
He answered,*

People: *"I tell you, if these were silent,
the very stones would cry out."*

Song of Praise

Jesus, everlasting King,
accept the tribute which we bring,
Accept the well-deserved renown
And wear our praises as Your crown.

O send Your Spirit to impart,
Rest and repentance to our hearts,
Like the dear hour when from above,
We first received Your pledge of love.

chorus

The gladness of redemption's day,
Our hearts would wish it long to stay,
Nor let our faith forsake its hold,
Nor comforts sink, or love grow cold.

chorus

May every time of worship see
Your grace revealed more rich and free,
Till we are raised to sing Your name
At the great supper of the Lamb.

chorus

O that the months would roll away,
And bring the coronation day.
The King of Grace shall fill the throne,
With all His Father's glories on.

chorus (x2)

Jesus Everlasting King

*Words: Isaac Watts
(alt. by Matthew Smith)
Music: Matthew Smith
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Scripture Reading

Now the word of the Lord came to Jonah the son of Amittai, saying, "Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it, for their evil has come up before me." But Jonah rose to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the Lord. He went down to Joppa and found a ship going to Tarshish. So he paid the fare and went down into it, to go with them to Tarshish, away from the presence of the Lord.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Jonah 1:1-3

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

Please read together.

Matthew 20:28

*Savior Like a Shepherd
Lead Us*

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We confess our sin and receive grace

Confession of Sin

God and Father, You have called us to be Your followers and have made us one family.
Yet we have not lived as one, and have not loved You with our whole person.
Ambition has driven us, and we have chosen not to care for others when it is inconvenient.
Pride has gripped us, and we have promoted ourselves rather than worship You.
Fear has reigned in us, and we have tried to control You and manipulate others.

O Lord, forgive us for our many sins through the sacrifice of Christ.
Subdue everything in us that is contrary to Your purposes.
By Your Spirit, make us a community that is eager to do Your will and to walk in Your ways.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

Song of Renewal

Savior, like a shepherd lead us,
much we need Thy tender care;
In Thy pleasant pastures feed us,
for our use Thy folds prepare.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.

We are Thine, Thou dost befriend us,
be the guardian of our way;
Keep Thy flock, from sin defend us,
seek us when we go astray.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Hear, O hear us when we pray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Hear, O hear us when we pray.

Thou hast promised to receive us,
poor and sinful though we be;
Thou hast mercy to relieve us,
grace to cleanse and power to free.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
We will early turn to Thee.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
We will early turn to Thee.

Early let us seek Thy favor,
early let us do Thy will;
Blessed Lord and only Savior,
with Thy love our bosoms fill.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Thou hast loved us, love us still.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Thou hast loved us, love us still.

repeat

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: Hunter and Adrienne Thompson, church members who just moved to Rwanda

The Northside: Timothy Project, just left with 8 students for week-long camp

Our church: PD and Kelli Mayfield, transition to Northside

Offering

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

Song of Preparation

The Lord hears the cry of the poor,
Blessed be the Lord!

I will bless the Lord at all times
With praise ever in my mouth.
Let my soul glory in the Lord,
Who will hear the cry of the poor.

chorus

Let the lowly hear and be glad,
The Lord listens to their pleas,
And to hearts broken He is near,
For He hears the cry of the poor.

chorus

Every spirit crushed, God will save,
The Lord listens to their pleas,
And to hearts broken God is near,
He will hear the cry of the poor.

chorus

We proclaim your greatness, O God!
Your praise ever in our mouths,
Every face brightened in Your light,
For You hear the cry of the poor!

chorus

The Cry of the Poor

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Psalm 34:1-2, 17-18, 19, 22

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

God feeds us with His Word

Sermon Text

1 And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction. 2 The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; 3 Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; 4 Simon the Zealot, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. 5 These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, 6 but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. 7 And proclaim as you go, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' 8 Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay. 9 Acquire no gold or silver or copper for your belts, 10 no bag for your journey, or two tunics or sandals or a staff, for the laborer deserves his food. 11 And whatever town or village you enter, find out who is worthy in it and stay there until you depart. 12 As you enter the house, greet it. 13 And if the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it, but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. 14 And if anyone will not receive you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet when you leave that house or town. 15 Truly, I say to you, it will be more bearable on the day of judgment for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah than for that town.

16 "Behold, I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. 17 Beware of men, for they will deliver you over to courts and flog you in their synagogues, 18 and you will be dragged before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them and the Gentiles. 19 When they deliver you over, do not be anxious how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour. 20 For it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. 21 Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, 22 and you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. 23 When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

24 "A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. 25 It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

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
Joe Brown, Associate Pastor
at West End Presbyterian
Church.

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 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, the Lord, my Savior is,
My Shepherd, and my God.
My light, my strength, my joy, my bliss,
And I, His grace, record.

Yea, all I need, in Jesus dwells,
And there, it dwells for me.
'Tis Christ, my earthen vessel, fills,
With treasures rich and free.

Mercy and truth and righteousness,
And peace, most richly meet,
In Jesus Christ, the King of grace,
In whom I stand complete.

As through the wilderness, I roam,
His mercies, I'll proclaim.
And when I safely reach my home,
I'll still adore His name.

"Worthy the Lamb," shall be my song,
For, He for me was slain.
And me, with all the heavenly throng,
Shall join, and say, "Amen."

chorus

Jesus, the Lord, my Savior is,
My Shepherd, and my God.
My light, my strength, my joy, my bliss,
And I, His grace, record.

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, The Lord, My Savior Is

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Music: Sandra McCracken
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*We go forth to love and
serve God and neighbor.*

Now the Green Blade Rises

*Words: John M.C. Crum,
Music: Alex Mejias
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John 12:24-26

God sends us out refreshed

Song of Rejoicing

Now the green blade rises
from the buried grain,
Wheat that in the dark earth
many days has lain.
Love lives again,
that with the dead has been,
Love is come again like
wheat that springeth green.

In the grave they laid Him,
Love Whom we had slain,
Thinking that He'd never wake to life again.
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen,
Love is come again like
wheat that springeth green

Alleluia! Alleu!
When we die we will rise with You.
Alleluia! Alleu!
When we die we will rise with You.

Up He sprang at Easter,
like the risen grain,
He that for three days in the grave had lain.
Up from the dead my risen Lord is seen,
Love is come again like
wheat that springeth green.

chorus

When our hearts are weary,
grieving or in pain,
By Your touch You call us back to life again.
Fields of our hearts
that dead and bare have been,
Love is come again like
wheat that springeth green.

chorus (x2)

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

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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