



northside church

OF RICHMOND

March 4, 2018

Welcome members, regular attenders, and visitors! Thank you for joining us. Today's corporate worship service includes elements that serve to organize Northside Church as a particular church. We give thanks to God for His faithfulness to our local body and pray for Him to continue leading us in our mission in and for the Northside.

"Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it labor in vain." Psalm 127:1

God gathers us together for worship

Worship in Song

"Oh Give Thanks"

Words and music: Dr. Judith Christie
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Call to Worship

Leader: *Praise the LORD!*

People: *Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever!*

Leader: *Who can utter the mighty deeds of the LORD, or declare all his praise?*

People: *Save us, O LORD our God, and gather us from among the nations,
that we may give thanks to your holy name and glory in your praise.*

Leader: *Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting!
And let all the people say, "Amen!"*

People: *Praise the LORD!*

Psalm 106:1-2, 47-48

Worship in Song

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

Words: Francis of Assisi;
Music: Peter von Brachel
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This is a time to be honest with God about our sin and ask Him for forgiveness through Jesus.

2 Corinthians 5:17

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Music: Ashael Nettleton
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Led by ruling elder Doc Murdoc (New City Fellowship, Fredericksburg).

Given by ruling elder Roger Johnson (West End Presbyterian Church).

Confession and Assurance

God and Father, You have called us to be Your people and one family in Christ; yet we have not lived as one and have not loved You fully.
For the sake of comfort, we have declined to love and serve our neighbors.
In foolish self-reliance, we often boast in our own work and deny our dependence on You.

O Lord, forgive our sins through the atoning work of Christ.
Restore to us the joy of our salvation, and remind us often of Your love and faithfulness.
By Your Spirit, continue to unite us as a community that does justly,
loves mercy, and walks humbly with You.
All for the glory of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.

- silent confession -

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

Worship in Song

“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Passing of the Peace

Ordination and Installation of Ruling Elders

Questions for ruling elder candidates

Question for congregation

Do you, the members of this church, acknowledge and receive these brothers as ruling elders, and do you promise to yield them all that honor, encouragement and obedience in the Lord to which their office, according to the Word of God and the Constitution of this Church, entitles them?

Prayer and laying on of hands

Pronouncement

Charge to the ruling elders and church

Installation of Pastors (Teaching Elders)

Questions for pastors

Questions for congregation

Do you, the people of this congregation, continue to profess your readiness to receive Matt Lorish and Joel Passmore, whom you have called to be your pastors?

Do you promise to receive the word of truth from their mouths with meekness and love, and to submit to them in the due exercise of discipline?

Do you promise to encourage them in their labors, and to assist their endeavors for your instruction and spiritual edification?

Do you engage to continue to them while they are your pastors that competent worldly maintenance which you have promised, and to furnish them with whatever you may see needful for the honor of religion and for their comfort among you?

Prayer and laying on of hands

Pronouncement

Charge to the pastors and church

Led by teaching elder Remargo Yancie (Grace Meridian Hill, DC).

Given by teaching elder Clint Dowda (Grace Community Presbyterian Church).

Organization as a Particular Church

Members covenant

Do you, in reliance on God for strength, solemnly promise and covenant that you will walk together as an organized church, on the principles of the faith and order of the Presbyterian Church in America, and that you will be zealous and faithful in maintaining the purity and peace of the whole body?

Pronouncement

Led by teaching elder Kevin Greene (West End Presbyterian Church).

Offering, Worship in Song

"I'll Just Say Yes"

Words and music: Brian Courtney Wilson, Aaron Lindsey
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God feeds us with His Word

Given by Pastor Matt Lorish.

Sermon

Matthew 5:43-47

43 "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' 44 But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, 45 so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. 46 For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? 47 And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same?"

Isaiah 40:8

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

People: Praise be to God!

Led by Pastor Don Coleman.

Prayer

Worship in Song

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"Awesome"

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Praise! Music, Vertical Worship Songs

"Friend of God"

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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