



# northside church

## OF RICHMOND

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### **Meditation**

Anger is a powerful emotion and it substitutes for many other things. Sometimes it substitutes for power when you actually feel powerless to change your circumstances, sometimes it substitutes for grief when you really want to blame God but you are not sure who to blame and deep down know it won't change the reality of death. American grief often reveals itself in a court suit because somebody has to be blamed, and that is more of a sign of anger than of sadness. Many of us don't know how to emotionally deal with suffering, despair, fear, or loss. We don't how to lament, so, we get mad.

~ Randy Nabors

*The LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen?"*

~ Genesis 4:6

*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, and we ask Him to turn our hearts and minds toward Him.

### **Clap Your Hands**

Words and music:  
Dr. R. A. Vernon & "The Word" Church Praise Team

Psalm 47:1, 34:3

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Psalm 99:1-5

Please stand if able.

# We gather in the presence of God

## Song of Gathering

Clap your hands, all ye people,  
Lift up praises filled with joy!  
Begin to dance, come let us sing –  
Our God is great, He is the King!

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Let us exalt His Name!  
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*chorus*

Let the praises of God's people  
resound in Zion's house! *repeat*

*chorus*

## Welcome and Call to Worship

Leader: *The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!  
He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!*

**People:** *The LORD is great in Zion;  
he is exalted over all the peoples.  
Let them praise your great and awesome name!  
Holy is he!*

Leader: *The King in his might loves justice.  
You have established equity;  
you have executed justice  
and righteousness in Jacob.*

**People:** *Exalt the LORD our God;  
worship at his footstool!  
Holy is he!*

## 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)  
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*Matthew 21:1-15*

## Scripture Reading

*The word reached the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. And he issued a proclamation and published through Nineveh, "By the decree of the king and his nobles: Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything. Let them not feed or drink water, but let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and let them call out mightily to God. Let everyone turn from his evil way and from the violence that is in his hands. Who knows? God may turn and relent and turn from his fierce anger, so that we may not perish."*

*When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.*

*But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was angry. And he prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD, is not this what I said when I was yet in my country? That is why I made haste to flee to Tarshish; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from disaster. Therefore now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." And the LORD said, "Do you do well to be angry?"*

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**Jonah 3:6-4:4**

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

*Please read together.*

**1 John 4:10**

***In Christ Alone***

*Words and music:  
Keith Getty & Stuart Townend  
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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

*This is love: not that we loved God,  
but that He loved us and sent His Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.*

## Song of Renewal

In Christ alone my hope is found,  
He is my light, my strength, my song.  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.  
My Comforter, my All in All,  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
'Til on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied.  
For every sin on Him was laid,  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain.  
Then bursting forth in glorious day,  
Up from the grave He rose again.  
And as He stands in victory,  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
For I am His and He is mine,  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the power of Christ in me.  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand.  
'Til He returns or calls me home,  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

# We respond to the grace received

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

## Passing of the Peace

## Community Life

Baptism - Eden Woldemariam

## Offering

On the first Sunday of each month Northside collects an offering for the mercy fund using a tan basket in addition to the weekly general fund offering in the multi-colored basket.

The mercy fund is used for financial assistance to those in need from our church and the Northside.

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

## Song of Preparation

I am weak but Thou art strong;  
Jesus, keep me from all wrong;  
I'll be satisfied as long  
As I walk, dear Lord, close to Thee.

*chorus*

When my feeble life is o'er,  
Time for me will be no more;  
Guide me gently, safely o'er,  
to Thy kingdom shore, to Thy shore!

*chorus (x2)*

Just a closer walk with Thee,  
Grant it, Jesus, this my plea,  
Daily walking close to Thee,  
Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Through this world of toil and snares,  
If I falter, Lord, who cares?  
Who with me my burden shares?  
None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee.

## *Just a Closer Walk*

*Words and music:  
John C. Hallett  
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*Our mind, body, and spirit  
are nourished with food  
that does not perish.*

***Ephesians 4:26-27***

***Isaiah 40:8***

*Today's sermon is given  
by Assistant Pastor P.D.  
Mayfield.*

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

# God feeds us with His Word

## Sermon Text

*26 Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, 27 and give no opportunity to the devil.*

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

Parents who would like for their nursery-aged children to be prayed for during communion should pick them up at this time.

## 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."

1 Corinthians 11:23b-26

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, nut-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.

As others take communion please feel free to pray, sing along, or talk quietly with your neighbor.

## Song of Communion

My God is awesome, He can move mountains,  
Keep me in the valley, hide me from the rain.  
My God is awesome, heals me when I'm broken,  
Strength where I've been weakened,  
forever He will reign.

He's mighty, He's mighty, He's mighty, He's mighty!  
Awesome, awesome!

He's holy, He's holy, He's holy, He's holy!  
Awesome, awesome!

*repeat*

My God is awesome, awesome,  
awesome, awesome!  
My God is awesome, awesome,  
awesome, awesome!

He's great, He's great, He's great, He's great!  
Awesome, awesome!

Provider, Provider, Provider, Provider!  
Awesome, awesome!

My God is awesome, Savior of the whole world  
Giver of salvation, by His stripes I am healed.  
My God is awesome, today I am forgiven,  
His grace is why I'm living, praise His holy name!

Protector, Protector, Protector, Protector!  
Awesome, awesome!

*chorus*

Deliverer, Deliverer, Deliverer, Deliverer!  
Awesome, awesome!

### Awesome

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*We go forth to love and  
serve God and neighbor.*

# God sends us out refreshed

## *Before I Knew*

*Words and music: Kirk Ward  
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## Song of Rejoicing

Before I knew what freedom was,

Jesus set me free.

With no control, a slave to sin,

God was my enemy.

But then He broke my rusty chains  
to share eternity.

Before I knew what freedom was,

Jesus set me free.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah,  
Hallelujah, Jesus set me free!

Before I knew what loving was,

He showed His love for me.

He knew me in my mother's womb,

He knew my sinful tendencies.

Adopted by His saving grace  
into His family.

Before I knew what loving was,

He showed His love for me.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah,  
Hallelujah, He showed His love for me!

Before I knew what living was,  
He gave His life for me.

I was defeated in my sins,  
death had the victory.

Then all my guilt was placed on Him,  
That day on Calvary.

Before I knew what living was,  
He gave His life for me.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah,  
Hallelujah, He gave His life for me!

Hallelujah, Hallelujah,  
Hallelujah, Jesus set me free!

## 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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