



northside church

OF RICHMOND

August 5, 2018

It seems like blessings keep falling in my lap.
- Chance the Rapper, "Blessings"

God gathers us together for worship

Worship in Song

"Blessed Be Your Name"

Words and music:
Matt and Beth Redman
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Call to Worship

Leader: *Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!*

**People: *Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!***

Leader: *For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.*

People: *The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.*

Leader: *Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!*

**People: *For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.***

Psalm 95:1-7

Worship in Song

"Jesus Everlasting King"

Words: Isaac Watts, alt. Matthew
Smith | Music: Matthew Smith
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This is a time to be honest with God about our sin and ask Him for forgiveness through Jesus.

Zephaniah 3:15

Words and music:
Reuben Morgan, Ben Fielding
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Having been reconciled with God through Christ, we can share peace with one another and participate in His work.

Words and music:
Isaac Wardell, Robert Heiskell

Confession and Assurance

Jesus, King of Glory, You came as true peace for our warfare,
as true freedom from the bondage of sin,
as true refuge from our unrest and affliction.
Yet we have rebelled from You,
worshipping created things and ignoring our neighbors.

For our treason, You died; for our restoration, You rose again.
Draw us close to You now and forgive our sins.
Please renew our allegiance to You, increase our faith, amaze us with Your grace,
and help us seek peace with one another. Amen

- silent confession -

*The LORD has taken away the judgments against you; he has cleared away your enemies.
The King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst; you shall never again fear evil.*

Worship in Song

“Mighty To Save”

Passing of the Peace

Community Life

Update and prayer: Mercy Response team

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 11:1-21, 39-40

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Offering, Worship in Song

“We Are Not Overcome”

God feeds us with His Word

Sermon

After this, Joseph was told, "Behold, your father is ill." So he took with him his two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim. 2 And it was told to Jacob, "Your son Joseph has come to you." Then Israel summoned his strength and sat up in bed. 3 And Jacob said to Joseph, "God Almighty appeared to me at Luz in the land of Canaan and blessed me, 4 and said to me, 'Behold, I will make you fruitful and multiply you, and I will make of you a company of peoples and will give this land to your offspring after you for an everlasting possession.' 5 And now your two sons, who were born to you in the land of Egypt before I came to you in Egypt, are mine; Ephraim and Manasseh shall be mine, as Reuben and Simeon are. 6 And the children that you fathered after them shall be yours. They shall be called by the name of their brothers in their inheritance. 7 As for me, when I came from Paddan, to my sorrow Rachel died in the land of Canaan on the way, when there was still some distance to go to Ephrath, and I buried her there on the way to Ephrath (that is, Bethlehem)."

8 When Israel saw Joseph's sons, he said, "Who are these?" 9 Joseph said to his father, "They are my sons, whom God has given me here." And he said, "Bring them to me, please, that I may bless them." 10 Now the eyes of Israel were dim with age, so that he could not see. So Joseph brought them near him, and he kissed them and embraced them. 11 And Israel said to Joseph, "I never expected to see your face; and behold, God has let me see your offspring also." 12 Then Joseph removed them from his knees, and he bowed himself with his face to the earth. 13 And Joseph took them both, Ephraim in his right hand toward Israel's left hand, and Manasseh in his left hand toward Israel's right hand, and brought them near him. 14 And Israel stretched out his right hand and laid it on the head of Ephraim, who was the younger, and his left hand on the head of Manasseh, crossing his hands (for Manasseh was the firstborn). 15 And he blessed Joseph and said,

*"The God before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac walked,
the God who has been my shepherd all my life long to this day,
16 the angel who has redeemed me from all evil, bless the boys;
and in them let my name be carried on, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac;
and let them grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth."*

17 When Joseph saw that his father laid his right hand on the head of Ephraim, it displeased him, and he took his father's hand to move it from Ephraim's head to Manasseh's head. 18 And Joseph said to his father, "Not this way, my father; since this one is the firstborn, put your right hand on his head." 19 But his father refused and said, "I know, my son, I know. He also shall become a people, and he also shall be great. Nevertheless, his younger brother shall be greater than he, and his offspring shall become a multitude of nations." 20 So he blessed them that day, saying,

"By you Israel will pronounce blessings, saying, 'God make you as Ephraim and as Manasseh.'"

Thus he put Ephraim before Manasseh. 21 Then Israel said to Joseph, "Behold, I am about to die, but God will be with you and will bring you again to the land of your fathers. 22 Moreover, I have given to you rather than to your brothers one mountain slope that I took from the hand of the Amorites with my sword and with my bow."

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

People: Praise be to God!

Genesis 48

Isaiah 40:8

Today's sermon is given by
Charles Lewis, pastoral intern
at McLean Presbyterian
Church in McLean, VA.

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"

"How Great Thou Art"

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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