



# northside church

OF RICHMOND

**October 28, 2018**

Cheer up! You're a worse sinner than you ever dared imagine,  
and you're more loved than you ever dared hope.

— Jack Miller

## God gathers us together for worship

### Worship in Song

"Everlasting God"

Words and music:  
Brenton Brown, Ken Riley  
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### Call to Worship

Leader: *Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!  
Let those who fear the LORD say,*

*Psalms 118:1, 4-6, 8-9, 14*

**People:** *"His steadfast love endures forever."*

Leader: *Out of my distress I called on the LORD; the LORD answered me and set me free.*

**People:** *The LORD is on my side; I will not fear.  
What can man do to me?*

Leader: *It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in man.  
It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in princes.*

**People:** *The LORD is my strength and my song;  
he has become my salvation.*

### Worship in Song

"Arise My Soul, Arise"

Words: Charles Wesley;  
Music: Kevin Twit  
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This is a time to be honest with God about our sin and ask Him for forgiveness through Jesus.

## Confession and Assurance

Lord God, life is found in You alone, so please hear us as we confess together:

We have been mesmerized by the wealth and glory of this world.

We have compromised our allegiance to You, and have not trusted You as our refuge.

We have often withdrawn from those in need, and cheered the downfall of those we envy.

We have not been wise stewards of gifts for Your kingdom and the common good.

Father in Heaven, forgive us! Rescue us from the pleasures and the pitfalls of sin.

Lord Jesus Christ, redeem us! Help us abide in You by faith.

Holy Spirit, renew us! Bear Your fruit in our lives and be our constant comfort.

Amen.

- silent confession -

*Since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.*

*Hebrews 10:21-22*

Words and music: Stuart Townend  
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Having been reconciled with God through Christ, we can share peace with one another and participate in His work.

## Worship in Song

“How Deep the Father’s Love For Us”

## Passing of the Peace

## Community Life

Update and prayer: Northside Engagement Teams

## Scripture Reading

*Luke 18:1-8*

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## Offering, Worship in Song

“Let Me Find Thee”

Words: Joachim Neander;  
Music: Matthew S. Smith;  
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# God feeds us with His Word

## Sermon

*9 He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: 10 "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. 11 The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. 12 I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.' 13 But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' 14 I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."*

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

**People: Praise be to God!**

*Luke 18:9-14*

*Isaiah 40:8*

Today's sermon is given by  
Rev. Wy Plummer, African-  
American Ministries  
Coordinator for Mission to  
North America for the PCA.

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.

Words: Samuel Stennet;  
Music: Christopher Miner  
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Words: Elisha A. Hoffman  
Music: Anthony J. Showalter  
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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

"On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand"

"Leaning On the Everlasting Arms"

## Benediction

### About

Northside Church of Richmond is a church of the James River Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in America ([www.pcanet.org](http://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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