

northside church of RICHMOND

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Meditation

The modern world detests authority but worships relevance. Our Christian conviction is that the Bible has both authority and relevance, and that the secret of both is Jesus Christ.

- John R. W. Stott

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.

How Long?

Words and music: Peter La Grand © 2008

Proverbs 1-3

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Psalm 62:1-2, 5-8

Please stand if able.

We gather in the presence of God

Song of Gathering

Wisdom cries out in the street, In the square she raises her voice. At the center of town you can hear her speak, Over all the other noise. She says:

"How long O simple ones? How long will you ignore? Wake up you walking dead, Open your ears to the Lord!"

My child do not forget,
The path I show to you.
All other ways only lead to death,
Ways so easy to choose.

Trust in the Lord only, With all your heart and mind. Then you shall not stumble, All that you seek you shall find.

"How long O simple ones? How long will you ignore? Wake up you walking dead, Open your ears to the Lord!"

Wisdom cries out in the street, In the square she raises her voice.

Welcome and Call to Worship

Leader: For God alone my soul waits in silence;

from him comes my salvation.

He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken.

People: For God alone, 0 my soul, wait in silence,

for my hope is from him.

He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

Leader: On God rests my salvation and my glory;

my mighty rock, my refuge is God.

People: Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him;

God is a refuge for us.

Song of Praise

All hail the power of Jesus' Name! Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal **diadem**, and crown Him Lord of all! Bring forth the royal **diadem**, and crown Him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall, Hail Him Who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all! Hail Him Who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all!

Let ev'ry tribe and ev'ry tongue to Him their hearts enthrall. Lift high the universal song, and crown Him Lord of all! Lift high the universal song, and crown Him Lord of all!

O that, with yonder sacred throng, we at His feet may fall,
Join in the everlasting song,
and crown Him Lord of all!
Join in the everlasting song,
and crown Him Lord of all!

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Words: Edward Perronet, John Rippon Music: Oliver Holden Public domain

A **diadem** is a crown worn as a sign of royalty.

Scripture Reading

For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!**

Ephesians 1:15-23

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

Please read together.

We confess our sin and receive grace

Confession of Sin

Almighty God, though You guide and protect us as our Shepherd, we flee from You. Though You rule heaven and earth as King, we give our all to our tiny kingdom. Though You comfort us as our Shepherd, we console ourselves with our sins. Though Your cross has made peace, we foolishly war against You and one another. Though You declare "New creation!" we just prefer the old.

Heavenly Father, have mercy upon us. Lord Jesus Christ, deliver us from our sins. Holy Spirit, renew us after the image of our Creator. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.

God of My Life, To Thee I Call

Romans 5:9

Words: William Cowper Music: Clint Wells, Brian T. Murphy and Benj Pocta © 2007 Red Mountain Music

Here's another way to phrase the last 2 lines of the chorus: When you put your faith in Jesus he becomes your powerful advocate, and you can be confident of your spiritual safety and profit in any circumstance.

Song of Renewal

God of my life, to Thee I call, Afflicted at Thy feet I fall. When the great water floods prevail, Leave not my trembling heart to fail.

Poor though I am, despised, forgot, Yet God, my God, forgets me not. And he is safe and must succeed, For whom the Lord is sure to plead.

Friend of the friendless and the faint, Where should I lodge my deep complaint? Where but with Thee, whose open door, Invites the helpless and the poor! chorus

That were a grief I could not bear, Didst Thou not hear and answer prayer. But a prayer-hearing, -answering God, Supports me under every load.

chorus (x2)

We respond to the grace received

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

Passing of the Peace

Community Life

Work in Progress - Matt Lorish

Offering

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

Song of Preparation

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 © 2003 detuned radio music Our mind, body, and spirit are nourished with food that does not perish.

God feeds us with His Word

Matthew 28:18-20

Sermon Text

18 And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

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 Pastor Matt Lorish.

Sermon

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

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." 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.

1 Corinthians 11:23b-26

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.

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

Song of Communion

We love our God,
He always hears us when we cry,
His peace is so complete,
His love is so divine.

Sing a song (sing a song)
of praise unto the Lord,
Sing a song (sing a song)
of praise unto the Lord,
Sing a song (sing a song)
of praise unto the Lord,
He will hold us in His love forevermore.

We love our God, we'll live and die to see His fame, There's nothing greater than the glory of His Name.

chorus

We love our God, we long to see His Kingdom come, And on that day then every nation, tribe, and tongue will...

chorus (x2)

He will hold us in His love forevermore.

We Love Our God

Words and music: Ross King © 1996 Ross King We go forth to love and serve God and neighbor.

Victory In Jesus

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God sends us out refreshed

Song of Rejoicing

I heard an old, old story, how a Savior came from glory, How He gave His life on Calvary to save a wretch like me; I heard about His groaning, of His precious blood's atoning, Then I repented of my sins and won the victory.

O victory in Jesus, my Savior, forever! He sought me and bought me with His redeeming blood; He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my love is due Him, He plunged me to victory beneath the cleansing flood. I heard about His healing, of His cleansing pow'r revealing. How He made the lame to walk again and caused the blind to see; And then I cried, "Dear Jesus, come and heal my broken spirit," And somehow Jesus came and brought to me the victory.

chorus

I heard about a mansion
He has built for me in glory.
And I heard about the streets of gold beyond the crystal sea;
About the angels singing,
and the old redemption story,
And some sweet day I'll sing to Him the song of victory.

chorus

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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