



# northside church

OF RICHMOND

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## **Meditation**

Remorse is destructive, repentance is creative. So Judas went to destruction and Peter became a new man whom Christ could use and rely on.

- John 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.

**10,000 Reasons  
(Bless the Lord)**

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Psalm 103:1-5

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**Psalm 67**

Please stand if able.

# We gather in the presence of God

## Song of Gathering

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,  
It's time to sing Your song again.

Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,  
Let me be singing when the evening comes.

Bless the Lord O my soul,  
O my soul,  
Worship His Holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul.  
I'll worship Your Holy name!

You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger.  
Your name is great, and Your heart is kind.  
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

*chorus*

And on that day when my strength is failing,  
The end draws near and my time has come.  
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending,  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore.

*chorus*

## Welcome and Call to Worship

Leader: *May God be gracious to us and bless us  
and make his face to shine upon us,  
that your way may be known on earth,  
your saving power among all nations.*

**People:** *Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you!*

Leader: *Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,  
for you judge the peoples with equity  
and guide the nations upon earth.*

**People:** *Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you!*

Leader: *The earth has yielded its increase;  
God, our God, shall bless us.*

**People:** *God shall bless us;  
let all the ends of the earth fear him!*

## 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*

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

## Scripture Reading

*And he said, "There was a man who had two sons. And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.' And he divided his property between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.*

*"But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.'" And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate.*

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**Luke 15:11-24**

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

*Please read together.*

*Ephesians 2:13*

*Mighty To Save*

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*Zephaniah 3:17, Hebrews 2:10, Ezekiel 38:20*

# We confess our sin and receive grace

## Confession of Sin

Lord God, every day we are reminded that we fall short of Your character:

You are strong; we are blown about by whim,

You call for justice; we play favorites and prefer comfort,

You are holy through and through; our best efforts are marred by sin and cannot save us.

Oh how we need a Savior to ransom us from bondage!

Thank You for providing exactly what we need in Jesus.

Help us come to him now with honesty and repentance.

Oh how we need continued renewal in Your image!

Thank You for sending the Holy Spirit to continue Your work of salvation.

Forgive us our sins, and lead us to rest in Your grace. Amen.

## Silent Confession

## Assurance of Pardon

*But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.*

## Song of Renewal

Everyone needs compassion,  
love that's never failing.

Let mercy fall on me.

Everyone needs forgiveness,  
the kindness of a Savior,

The hope of nations.

Savior, He can move the mountains,

My God is mighty to save,

He is mighty to save!

Forever, Author of salvation

He rose and conquered the grave,

Jesus conquered the grave!

So take me as You find me,  
all my fears and failures.

Fill my life again.

I give my life to follow,  
everything I believe in.

Now I surrender.

*chorus*

Shine your light and let the whole world see.

We're singing for the glory of the risen King.

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We're singing for the glory of the risen King.

*chorus*

# We respond to the grace received

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

## Passing of the Peace

## Community Life

### Prayers of the People

The world: Hunter and Adrienne Thompson, Northsiders who are moving back from Rwanda

The Northside: Race and the Church, next event March 12

Our church: Neighborhood Easter service, outdoors at Veritas School at 9:30am followed by brunch

## Offering

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

## Song of Preparation

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,  
just to take Him at His Word;  
Just to rest upon His promise,  
just to know, "Thus saith the Lord!"

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee,  
Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;  
And I know that You are with me,  
Will be with me to the end.

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!  
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er  
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!  
O for grace to trust Him more!

*chorus*

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus,  
Just from sin and self to cease;  
Just from Jesus simply taking  
Life and rest, and joy and peace.

*chorus*

### ***'Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus***

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*Our mind, body, and spirit  
are nourished with food  
that does not perish.*

**Matthew 27:1-10**

**Isaiah 40:8**

*Today's sermon is given by  
Pastor Matt Lorish*

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

# God feeds us with His Word

## Sermon Text

*When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put him to death. 2 And they bound him and led him away and delivered him over to Pilate the governor.*

*3 Then when Judas, his betrayer, saw that Jesus was condemned, he changed his mind and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders, 4 saying, "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood." They said, "What is that to us? See to it yourself." 5 And throwing down the pieces of silver into the temple, he departed, and he went and hanged himself. 6 But the chief priests, taking the pieces of silver, said, "It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, since it is blood money." 7 So they took counsel and bought with them the potter's field as a burial place for strangers. 8 Therefore that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day. 9 Then was fulfilled what had been spoken by the prophet Jeremiah, saying, "And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him on whom a price had been set by some of the sons of Israel, 10 and they gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord directed me."*

**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." 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, 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

There is life in the blood  
of the Lamb who was slain.  
There is power, there is power in His name.  
There is love pouring out  
of the wounds that were made,  
Pouring out, pouring over our shame.

There is hope pouring out  
of the tomb where He lay,  
Pouring out, pouring over the grave.

*chorus*

There is life in the blood  
of the Lamb who was slain.  
There is power, there is power in His name.

So praise the God who saves!  
Praise the God who bled!  
Praise the God who was nailed to a tree,  
And wore our sins upon His head.

So praise the God who saves!  
Praise the God who bled!  
Praise the God who was nailed to a tree,  
And wore our sins...

*chorus*

There is truth in His body,  
raised that third day.  
There is joy in a stone rolled away.

## God Who Saves

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

# God sends us out refreshed

## **Victory In Jesus**

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## **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 (x2)*

## **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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