



northside church

OF RICHMOND

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Meditation

It is a crime to put a Roman citizen in chains, it is an enormity to flog one, sheer murder to slay one; what, then, shall I say of crucifixion? It is impossible to find the word for such an abomination.

- Cicero

*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.*

The Holy God is present with us in worship, and He invites us to come to Him with true adoration.

Our God

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Romans 8:31
Psalm 135:5

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Psalm 135:1-3, 5-6, 13

Please stand if able.

God calls us into His presence to worship

Song of Gathering

Water You turned into wine,
opened the eyes of the blind.
There's no one like You, none like You.

Into the darkness You shine,
out of the ashes we rise.
There's no one like You, none like You.

Our God is greater, our God is stronger.
God, You are higher than any other!
Our God is healer, awesome in power -
Our God, our God!

And if our God is for us,
then who could ever stop us?
And if our God is with us,
then what could stand against?

Call to Worship

Leader: *Praise the Lord!*

People: *Praise the name of the Lord,
give praise, O servants of the Lord,
who stand in the house of the Lord,
in the courts of the house of our God!*

Leader: *Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good;
sing to his name, for it is pleasant!*

People: *For I know that the Lord is great,
and that our Lord is above all gods.*

Leader: *Whatever the Lord pleases, he does,
in heaven and on earth,
in the seas and all deeps.*

People: *Your name, O Lord, endures forever,
your renown, O Lord, throughout all ages.*

Song of Praise

You are the God who loves,
You are the God who listens,
I cast my cares at Your feet.
You are the God who hears,
You are the God who answers,
You know just what I need.

Abba, Father,
You are near to all who call
upon Your name.
Savior, Healer,
You are near to all who call
upon Your name.

You are the God who loves,
You are the God who listens,
I cast my cares at Your feet.
You are the God who hears,
You are the God who answers,
You know just what I need.

chorus

Nothing is impossible for You.
Heaven and earth are at Your command.
Nothing is impossible for You.
You are the great I AM.

repeat

chorus

Confession of Sin

Gracious Lord, we have strayed from You like lost sheep.

We lose hope because we think You are weak.

We hoard what You give us because we doubt that You will continue to provide.

We love ourselves above everyone else because we trivialize Your grace.

We pray now, Lord, for You to forgive all of our many sins.

Renew our faith and help us to walk in Your might.

Remind us of Your Fatherly provision of every good gift.

Amaze us with Your grace and mercy to undeserving sinners.

In the name of Your most precious Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy.

All Who Call

Words and music:

Josh Davis

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Psalm 145:18

Romans 10:12-13

Luke 1:37

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

Please read together.

Titus 3:4-5

Healer

Words and music:
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Song of Renewal

You hold my every moment,
You calm my raging seas.
You walk with me through fire,
and heal all my disease.
I trust in You; Lord, I trust in You.

I believe You're my healer,
I believe You are all I need.
I believe You're my portion,
I believe You're more than enough for me.
Jesus, You're all I need.

chorus

Nothing is impossible for You,
nothing is impossible.
Nothing is impossible for You,
You hold my world in Your hands.

repeat

chorus

verse

*Being reconciled with God
through Christ enables us to
seek peace with each other
and participate in His work.*

Passing of the Peace

Community Life

Update and Prayer: Special Services on Easter Week

Good Friday Service, with City Church and Grace Community

Neighborhood Easter Service, outdoors at Veritas School at 9:30am, followed by brunch

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

Offering

Scripture Reading

*He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,
so he opened not his mouth.*

*By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who considered
that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people?*

*And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death,
although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.*

*Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him; he has put him to grief;
when his soul makes an offering for guilt, he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days;
the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.*

*Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied;
by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous,
and he shall bear their iniquities.*

*Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong,
because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors;
yet he bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.*

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Song of Preparation

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll,
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
"It is well, it is well with my soul."

It is well (it is well),
with my soul (with my soul),
It is well, it is well with my soul!

Though Satan should buffet,
though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And has shed His own blood for my soul.

chorus

My sin – oh, the joy of this glorious thought:
My sin, not in part, but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, oh, my soul!

chorus

O Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trump shall resound,
and the Lord shall descend,
Even so, it is well with my soul.

chorus (x2)

Isaiah 53:7-12

It Is Well With My Soul

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

God feeds us with His Word

Mathew 27:27-44

Sermon Text

27 Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole battalion before him. 28 And they stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, 29 and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on his head and put a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" 30 And they spit on him and took the reed and struck him on the head. 31 And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him and led him away to crucify him.

32 As they went out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name. They compelled this man to carry his cross. 33 And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), 34 they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall, but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. 35 And when they had crucified him, they divided his garments among them by casting lots. 36 Then they sat down and kept watch over him there. 37 And over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews." 38 Then two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left. 39 And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads 40 and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross." 41 So also the chief priests, with the scribes and elders, mocked him, saying, 42 "He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him. 43 He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he desires him. For he said, 'I am the Son of God.'" 44 And the robbers who were crucified with him also reviled him in the same way.

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

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.

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.

Song of Communion

Bread of heaven, sent down from glory,
Many things you were on Earth:
A Holy King, a carpenter.
You are the living Word.

Awesome Ruler, gentle Redeemer,
God with us, the Living Truth,
And what a friend we have in You.
You are the living Word.

Jesus, Jesus - that's what we call You,
Manger born, put on a tree,
You died to save humanity.
You are the living Word!

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

1 Corinthians 11:23b-26

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

You Are the Living Word

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*John 1:1, 6:35
Matthew 21:5*

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

God sends us out refreshed

Before I Knew

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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), 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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