



northside church

OF RICHMOND

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Meditations

"If we are to succeed in living by grace, we must come to the terms with the fact that God is sovereign in dispensing His gracious favors, and He owes us no explanation when His actions do not correspond with our system of merits."

– Jerry Bridges, *Transforming Grace*

"Nothing and no one will ever be as patient and forgiving toward you as God is. In all of existence, God is the only reality who refuses to give up on those he knows."

– Tullian Tchividjian, *Surprised By Grace*

*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. Declaring this together turns our hearts and minds toward Him.

How Sweet the Name

Words: John Newton
Music: Alexander Reinagle
Arrangement: Bill Moore
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Psalm 150

Please stand if able.

We gather in the presence of God

Song of Gathering

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

In a believer's ear!

It soothes his sorrow, heals his wounds

And drives away his fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole,

And calms the troubled breast.

Tis manna to the hungry soul,

And to the weary rest.

Weak is the effort of my heart,

And cold my warmest thought;

But when I see Thee as Thou art,

I'll praise Thee as I ought.

Dear name, the Rock on which I build

My shield and hiding place,

My never-failing treasury filled with

Boundless stores of grace.

Jesus, my shepherd, brother, friend,

My Prophet, Priest, and King,

My Lord, my life, my way, my end,

Accept the praise I bring.

Welcome and Call to Worship

Leader: *Praise the Lord!*

Praise God in his sanctuary;

praise him in his mighty heavens!

People: *Praise him for his mighty deeds;*

praise him according to his excellent greatness!

Leader: *Praise him with trumpet sound;*

praise him with lute and harp!

People: *Praise him with tambourine and dance;*

praise him with strings and pipe!

Leader: *Praise him with sounding cymbals;*

praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

People: *Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!*

Praise the Lord!

Song of Praise

Come ye sinners, poor and wretched,
weak and wounded, sick and sore.
Jesus, ready, stands to save you,
Full of pity joined with power.
He is able, He is able,
He is willing, doubt no more.

Come ye needy, come and welcome;
God's free bounty glorify:
True belief and true repentance,
every grace that brings you nigh.
Without money, without money
Come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come ye weary, heavy laden,
Bruised and broken by the fall.
If you tarry till you're better,
you will never come at all.

Not the righteous, not the righteous;
Sinners Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger,
nor of fitness fondly dream.
All the fitness He requires
is to feel your need of Him.
This He gives you, this He gives you,
'Tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended;
pleads the merit of His blood.
Venture on Him; venture wholly,
Let no other trust intrude.

None but Jesus, none but Jesus
Can do helpless sinners good.
repeat

Come Ye Sinners

*Words: Joseph Hart
Music: Matthew Smith
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Scripture Reading

"For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' So the last will be first, and the first last."

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Matthew 20:1-16

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

Please read together.

Acts 13:38-39

Amazing Grace

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and John Rees (v.6)
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We confess our sin and receive grace

Confession of Sin

A broken and contrite heart, O God, You will not despise,
So I confess that no matter what my condition, I am faced with my sin:
Am I successful? What a fuel for pride!
Am I in need? What an occasion for fear!
Am I gifted? See how I run after applause.
Am I weak? See how I despise what I do not have.
Am I in authority? I am prone to serve my own interests.
Am I lacking? I begrudge the blessing of God in the lives of others.
O Lord, forgive my sins, cleanse me, and renew me.
Humbly I ask You to lead me in Your light, and strengthen my faith,
For my sake and for Your glory. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Let it be known to you therefore, brothers, that through this man forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you, and by him everyone who believes is freed from everything from which you could not be freed by the law of Moses.

Song of Renewal

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now I'm found,
Was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear,
The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come,
'Tis grace that brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me.
His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be,
As long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun.
We've no less days to sing God's praise,
Than when we'd first begun.

We respond to the grace received

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

Passing of the Peace

The peace God made with us is extended to those around us.

Community Life

Prayers of the People

The world: Travis and Amy Johnson, Travis diagnosed with cancer

The Northside: YoungLives, ministry to teenage moms in the Northside

Our church: financial provision (pledging period ends June 2nd)

Offering

Today we are collecting an offering for the mercy fund in a tan basket in addition to the weekly general fund offering in the multi-colored basket.

The mercy fund is used for financial assistance to those in need from our church and the Northside.

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

Song of Preparation

Savior, like a shepherd lead us,
much we need Thy tender care;
In Thy pleasant pastures feed us,
for our use Thy folds prepare.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.

We are Thine, Thou dost befriend us,
be the guardian of our way;
Keep Thy flock, from sin defend us,
seek us when we go astray.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Hear, O hear us when we pray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Hear, O hear us when we pray.

Thou hast promised to receive us,
poor and sinful though we be;
Thou hast mercy to relieve us,
grace to cleanse and power to free.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
We will early turn to Thee.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
We will early turn to Thee.

Early let us seek Thy favor,
early let us do Thy will;
Blessed Lord and only Savior,
with Thy love our bosoms fill.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Thou hast loved us, love us still.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Thou hast loved us, love us still.

Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Words:

Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1836

Music:

William B. Bradbury, 1859

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repeat

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

God feeds us with His Word

Jonah 4

Sermon Text

1 But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was angry. 2 And he prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD, is not this what I said when I was yet in my country? That is why I made haste to flee to Tarshish; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from disaster. 3 Therefore now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." 4 And the LORD said, "Do you do well to be angry?"

5 Jonah went out of the city and sat to the east of the city and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, till he should see what would become of the city. 6 Now the LORD God appointed a plant and made it come up over Jonah, that it might be a shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort. So Jonah was exceedingly glad because of the plant. 7 But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the plant, so that it withered. 8 When the sun rose, God appointed a scorching east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint. And he asked that he might die and said, "It is better for me to die than to live." 9 But God said to Jonah, "Do you do well to be angry for the plant?" And he said, "Yes, I do well to be angry, angry enough to die." 10 And the LORD said, "You pity the plant, for which you did not labor, nor did you make it grow, which came into being in a night and perished in a night. 11 And should not I pity Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than 120,000 persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also much cattle?"

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 pastoral intern Joel
Passmore.*

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 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

Oh to be loved by Jesus,
Oh to be loved by Him.
Oh to have joy and peace within,
Oh to be loved by Him.

He knows the names of my sorrows,
He knows the names of my fears.
Why should I let them bother me?
For I know He is near.

chorus

And if no other will love me
in this life I own,
Oh there'd be no love I would long for,
I know I am His own.

chorus

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.

Oh To Be Loved By Jesus

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

God sends us out refreshed

The Doxology

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Music: Louis Bourgeois
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It Is Finished

*Words: Thomas Kelly
Music: Clint Wells, Brian T.
Murphy
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Music*

*"Approbation" means an
expression of warm
approval.*

Songs of Rejoicing

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

"It is finished!" – Sinners, hear it!

Tis the dying Victor's cry;

"It is finished!" – Angels bear it,
Bear the joyful truth on high:

"It is finished!" Tell it through the earth and sky!

"It is finished!" Tell it through the earth and sky!

Justice, from her awful station,
Bars the sinner's peace no more.
Justice views with **approbation**
What the Savior did and bore.

Grace and mercy now display their boundless store.
Grace and mercy now display their boundless store.

"It is finished!" – All is over,
Yes, the cup of wrath is drained.
Such the truth these words discover,
Thus the victory was obtained.

'Tis a victory none but Jesus could have gained.
'Tis a victory none but Jesus could have gained.

Crown the mighty Conqueror, crown Him,
Who His people's foes o'ercame!
In the highest heaven enthrone Him,
Men and angels sound His fame!

Great His glory! Jesus bears a matchless name.
Great His glory! Jesus bears a matchless name.

repeat

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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