



northside church

OF RICHMOND

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Meditation

Expect great things from God and attempt great things for God

- William Carey

We must at all times, in all ways, with all people, point them to Christ.

- Ed Kleiman

*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.

Just a Closer Walk

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Psalm 103:1, 20-22

Please stand if able.

God calls us into His presence to worship

Song of Gathering

I am weak but Thou art strong;
Jesus, keep me from all wrong;
I'll be satisfied as long
As I walk, dear Lord, close to Thee.

Just a closer walk with Thee,
Grant it, Jesus, this my plea,
Daily walking close to Thee,
Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Through this world of toil and snares,
If I falter, Lord, who cares?
Who with me my burden shares?
None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee.

chorus

When my feeble life is o'er,
Time for me will be no more;
Guide me gently, safely o'er,
to Thy kingdom shore, to Thy shore!

chorus (x2)

Call to Worship

Leader: *Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless his holy name!*

People: ***Bless the LORD, O you his angels,
you mighty ones who do his word,
obeying the voice of his word!***

Leader: *Bless the LORD, all his hosts,
his ministers, who do his will!*

People: ***Bless the LORD, all his works,
in all places of his dominion.
Bless the LORD, O my soul!***

Song of Praise

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears,
The bleeding Sacrifice on my behalf appears.
Before the throne my **Surety** stands,
Before the throne my Surety stands,
My name is written on His hands.

Arise, arise, arise!
Arise my soul, arise!

Arise, arise, arise!
Arise my soul, arise!
Shake off your guilty fears and rise!

He ever lives above, for me to intercede,
His all-redeeming love, His precious blood to plead,
His blood atoned for every race,
His blood atoned for every race,
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

chorus

My God is reconciled, His pard'ning voice I hear,
He owns me for His child, I can no longer fear,
With confidence I now draw nigh,
With confidence I now draw nigh,
And "Father, Abba Father," cry.

chorus

Confession of Sin

Holy God, this week we have sinned by rejecting Your commands,
doubting Your promises, relying on ourselves, and not resting in You.
Daily we fail to love You and our neighbor as we ought.

Praise You for providing the Savior in Jesus, who takes our sin and gives us His righteousness!
Lord, continue the work of salvation in us:

Conquer our weakness with Your strength, blot out our selfishness with Your glory.
Meet us in our suffering and disappointments, refine us as You see fit.
Keep us from returning to sin's bondage, brighten our hearts with Your grace.
Redirect our desires so that we delight deeply in You. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save;
he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love;
he will exult over you with loud singing.*

Arise, My Soul, Arise

*Words: Charles Wesley
Music: Kevin Twit
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*"Surety" refers to Jesus, and is derived from Hebrews 7:22: "by so much more Jesus has become a **surety** of a better covenant." (NKJV) It means that Jesus' work on the cross is the solid foundation for reconciliation with God.*

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

Zephaniah 3:17

Mighty To Save

*Words and music: Reuben Morgan, Ben Fielding
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Zephaniah 3:17, Hebrews 2:10, Ezekiel 38:20

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

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

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.
Shine your light and let the whole world see.
We're singing for the glory of the risen King.

chorus

Passing of the Peace

Community Life

Baptism - Reid Warren Sitterding

Offering

On the first Sunday of each month Northside collects an offering for the mercy fund using 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.

Scripture Reading

At Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius, a centurion of what was known as the Italian Cohort, a devout man who feared God with all his household, gave alms generously to the people, and prayed continually to God. About the ninth hour of the day he saw clearly in a vision an angel of God come in and say to him, "Cornelius." And he stared at him in terror and said, "What is it, Lord?" And he said to him, "Your prayers and your alms have ascended as a memorial before God. And now send men to Joppa and bring one Simon who is called Peter. He is lodging with one Simon, a tanner, whose house is by the sea." When the angel who spoke to him had departed, he called two of his servants and a devout soldier from among those who attended him, and having related everything to them, he sent them to Joppa.

The next day, as they were on their journey and approaching the city, Peter went up on the housetop about the sixth hour to pray. And he became hungry and wanted something to eat, but while they were preparing it, he fell into a trance and saw the heavens opened and something like a great sheet descending, being let down by its four corners upon the earth. In it were all kinds of animals and reptiles and birds of the air. And there came a voice to him: "Rise, Peter; kill and eat." But Peter said, "By no means, Lord; for I have never eaten anything that is common or unclean." And the voice came to him again a second time, "What God has made clean, do not call common." This happened three times, and the thing was taken up at once to heaven.

And [Peter] said to them, "You yourselves know how unlawful it is for a Jew to associate with or to visit anyone of another nation, but God has shown me that I should not call any person common or unclean. So when I was sent for, I came without objection. I ask then why you sent for me."

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

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!"

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!

O how sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to trust His cleansing blood;
And in simple faith to plunge me
'Neath the healing, cleansing flood!

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

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.

chorus

Acts 10:1-16, 28-29

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

*Words: Louisa Stead
Music: William Kirkpatrick
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*Our mind, body, and spirit
are nourished with food
that does not perish.*

Matthew 28:16-20

*Today's sermon is given
by Rev. Stan Morton, the
founding pastor of New City
Fellowship of Lancaster and
ordained teaching elder in
the PCA.*

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

God feeds us with His Word

Sermon Text

16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. 17 And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. 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."

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.

Leader: Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

1 Corinthians 11:23b-26

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

I have a Maker,
He formed my heart.
Before even time began,
My life was in His hands.

He knows my name,
He knows my every thought.
He sees each tear that falls,
and He hears me when I call.

I have a Maker,
He formed my heart.
Before even time began,
My life was in His hands.

I have a Father,
He calls me His own.
He'll never leave me,
No matter where I go.

chorus

He Knows My Name

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Tommy Walker
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We go forth to love and
serve God and neighbor.

God sends us out refreshed

Leaning On The Everlasting Arms

Words: Elisha A. Hoffman
Music: Anthony J. Showalter
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Deuteronomy 33:27

Song of Rejoicing

What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
leaning on the everlasting arms.
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

Leaning, leaning,
safe and secure from all alarms.
Leaning, leaning,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
leaning on the everlasting arms.
Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

chorus

What have I to dread? What have I to fear,
leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

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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