



northside church

OF RICHMOND

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Meditation

They led Him to Pilate's bar
and he never said a mumbalin' word;
They led Him to Pilate's bar,
and he never said a mumbalin' word.
Not a word, not a word, not a word.

They all cried, "Crucify Him"...
and he never said a mumbalin' word;
They all cried, "Crucify Him"...
and he never said a mumbalin' word;
Not a word, not a word, not a word.

- "He Never Said a Mumbalin' Word," traditional African American spiritual

*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.

Come Holy Spirit, Come

Words: Joseph Hart

Music: Hiram Ring

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Psalm 145:1-6

God calls us into His presence to worship

Song of Gathering

Come Holy Spirit, come
Let Thy bright beams arise;
Dispel the darkness from our minds,
And open all our eyes.

Convince us of our sin,
Then lead to Jesus' blood,
And to our wondering view reveal
The secret love of God.

Revive our drooping faith,
Our doubts and fears remove,
And kindle in our breast the flame
Of never-dying love.

'Tis Thine to cleanse the heart,
To sanctify the soul,
To pour fresh life in every part,
And new-create the whole.

Dwell therefore in our hearts,
Our minds from bondage free;
Then we shall know, and praise, and love
The Father, Son, and Thee.

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Call to Worship

Leader: *I will extol you, my God and King,
and bless your name forever and ever.*

People: *Every day I will bless you
and praise your name forever and ever.*

Leader: *Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,
and his greatness is unsearchable.*

People: *One generation shall commend your works to another,
and shall declare your mighty acts.*

Leader: *On the glorious splendor of your majesty,
and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.*

People: *They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds,
and I will declare your greatness.*

Song of Praise

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty,
Early in the morning
our song shall rise to Thee.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity.

Holy, holy, holy, all the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns
around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim
falling down before Thee,
Who wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy, holy -
holy Lord most high!
Holy, holy, holy, holy -
holy Lord most high!

Holy, holy, holy, though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man,
Thy glory may not see.
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty,
All thy works shall praise Thy name
in earth, and sky, and sea.
Holy, holy, holy,
merciful and mighty,
God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity.

chorus

Confession of Sin

Father in heaven, You have ushered in a new creation in Your Son,
yet we draw back and live like before.
You tell us to come to You in desperation,
yet we try to avoid You while we attempt to patch up our lives.
You invite us to come to You so that You can show us mercy,
yet sometimes we come only to impress You.
You tell us to come to You trusting in Your love,
yet we hesitate because we doubt You will provide.
Forgive us our sins, convince us of Your love, overwhelm us with Your grace,
and melt our hearts with Your mercy. In the name of Jesus Christ, amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.*

Holy, Holy, Holy

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Music: John B. Dykes
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*A time to be honest with
God about our need for
forgiveness.
Please read together*

Isaiah 53:5

Search Me

Words and music:

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Psalm 139:23-24

Song of Renewal

Search me, and know my heart
Test me, and know my thoughts.
See into me: is there any sin?
And Lord, lead me in the everlasting way.

Search me, and know my heart
Test me, and know my thoughts.
See into me: is there any sin?
And Lord, lead me in the everlasting way.

Where there is fear, make me courageous,
Where there is doubt, give me faith.
Where there is pride, Lord make me humble.
Where there is silence, give me praise.

Search me, and know my heart
Test me, and know my thoughts.
See into me: is there any sin?
And Lord, lead me in the everlasting way.

Jesus, Your love has made me righteous,
For by your wounds I am healed.
Jesus, Your death has paid the ransom,
Your resurrection gives me life.

chorus

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

Prayers of the People

The world: Travis Johnson, requiring another round of chemotherapy

The Northside: Race and the Church, next event March 12 led by Dr. Alexander Jun

Our church: Winsome invitations to our Neighborhood Easter Service, outdoors at Veritas School at 9:30am, with brunch after

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

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

*Surely he has borne our griefs
and carried our sorrows;
yet we esteemed him stricken,
smitten by God, and afflicted.
But he was pierced for our transgressions;
he was crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,
and with his wounds we are healed.
All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have turned—every one—to his own way;
and the LORD has laid on him
the iniquity of us all.
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.*

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Song of Preparation

Behold me here, in grief draw near,
Pleading at Thy throne, oh King.
To Thee each tear, each trembling fear,
Jesus, Son of Man, I bring.

Let me find Thee, let me find Thee.
Let me find Thee,
Lord of mercy, King of grace.

Look down in love, and from above,
With Thy Spirit, satisfy.
Thou hast sought me, Thou hast bought me,
And Thy purchase, Lord, am I.

Let me find Thee, let me find Thee.
Let me find Thee,
here on earth and then on high.

Hear the broken, scarcely spoken,
Longings of my heart to Thee.
All the crying, all the sighing,
Of Thy child, accepted be.

Let me find Thee, let me find Thee.
Let me find Thee,
wounded healer, suffering Lord.

repeat

Isaiah 53:4-7

Let Me Find Thee

*Words: Joachim Neander
Music: Matthew S. Smith
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*Our mind, body, and spirit
are nourished with food
that does not perish.*

God feeds us with His Word

Matthew 27:11-26

Sermon Text

11 Now Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You have said so." 12 But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he gave no answer. 13 Then Pilate said to him, "Do you not hear how many things they testify against you?" 14 But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed.

15 Now at the feast the governor was accustomed to release for the crowd any one prisoner whom they wanted. 16 And they had then a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. 17 So when they had gathered, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release for you: Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?" 18 For he knew that it was out of envy that they had delivered him up. 19 Besides, while he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, "Have nothing to do with that righteous man, for I have suffered much because of him today in a dream." 20 Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus. 21 The governor again said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said, "Barabbas." 22 Pilate said to them, "Then what shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" They all said, "Let him be crucified!" 23 And he said, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Let him be crucified!"

24 So when Pilate saw that he was gaining nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves." 25 And all the people answered, "His blood be on us and on our children!" 26 Then he released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, delivered him to be crucified.

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 Rev. Stan Morton, the
founding pastor of New City
Fellowship of Lancaster and
ordained teaching elder in
the PCA.*

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

By His stripes we are healed,
by His nail-pierced hands we're free,
By His blood we're washed clean,
now we have the victory.

The power of sin is broken,
Jesus overcame it all.
He has won our freedom,
Jesus has won it all.

Hallelujah! You have won the victory.
Hallelujah! You have won it all for me.
Death could not hold You down.
You are the risen King!
Seated in majesty, You are the risen King!

Our God is risen, He is alive!
He won the victory, He reigns on high!

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.

The Anthem (You Have Won the Victory)

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Henry Seeley, Liz Webber
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*We go forth to love and
serve God and neighbor.*

God sends us out refreshed

Down At the Cross (Glory To His Name)

*Words: Elisha A. Hoffman
Music: John H. Stockton,
arr. James Ward
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Song of Rejoicing

Down at the cross where my Savior died,
Down where for cleansing from sin I cried,
There to my heart was the blood applied;
Glory to His Name!

Glory to His Name, glory to His Name!
There to my heart was the blood applied
Glory to His Name!

I am so wondrously saved from sin
Jesus so sweetly abides within.
There at the cross where He took me in,
Glory to His Name!

chorus

O precious fountain that saves from sin
I am so glad I have entered in.
There Jesus saves me and keeps me clean;
Glory to His Name!

chorus

Come to the fountain so rich and sweet,
Cast thy poor soul at the Savior's feet.
Plunge in today, and be made complete;
Glory to His Name!

chorus (x2)

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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