



northside church

OF RICHMOND

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Meditations

"The miraculous signs that attested Jesus' deity and authenticated the witness of those who transmitted the gospel to the church is not continued, for their purpose was fulfilled. But the pattern of the kingdom that was revealed through these signs must continue in the church. . . . Kingdom evangelism is therefore holistic as it transmits by word and deed the promise of Christ for body and soul as well as the demand of Christ for body and soul."

- Ed Clowney

Readings to help you engage with God and worship, as Jesus said, "in spirit and in truth."

When you hear the first song begin, please come take a seat and continue preparing for worship by praying, reading the meditation quotes above, or singing along.

For the Beauty of the Earth

Words: Folliott S. Pierpoint

Music: Conrad Kocher

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A recognition of the presence of God among us, which influences the posture of our hearts.

Psalms 24:1-2, 7-10

Please stand if able.

Song of Gathering

For the beauty of the earth,
For the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth,
Over and around us lies.

Lord of all to Thee we raise,
This our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour,
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower,
Sun and moon, and stars of light.

chorus

For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,

Friends on earth and friends above,
For all gentle thoughts and mild.

chorus

For the church, that evermore
Lifteth holy hands above,
Offering upon every shore
Her pure sacrifice of love.

chorus

For Thyself, best Gift Divine.
To the world so freely given,
For that great, great love of Thine,
Peace on earth and joy in Heaven.

chorus

We gather in the presence of God

Welcome and Call to Worship

Leader: *The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof,
the world and those who dwell therein,*

People: *for he has founded it upon the seas
and established it upon the rivers.*

Leader: *Lift up your heads, O gates!
And be lifted up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.*

People: *Who is this King of glory?*

Leader: *The LORD, strong and mighty,
the LORD, mighty in battle!*

People: *Lift up your heads, O gates!
And lift them up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.*

Leader: *Who is this King of glory?*

People: *The LORD of hosts,
he is the King of glory!*

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.

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.

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.

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!

Scripture Reading

By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

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John Rippon
Music: Oliver Holden
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1 John 3:16-18

We confess our sin and receive grace

Confession of Sin

Father, we come before You, the Maker of Heaven and Earth,
Who delights to dwell with the broken and contrite, to confess -
that we have sinned in thought and word and deed;
that we have not loved You with all our heart and soul,
that we have not loved You with all our mind and strength;
that we have not even loved our neighbor as ourselves.
Forgive what we have been, change what we are,
and by Your mercy direct what we are becoming;
so that we may hereafter walk in the way of Your commands, and live to worship You.
Renew us and change us, O Lord, for Jesus' sake we pray. Amen.

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

Please read together.

Silent Confession

Isaiah 53:6

Assurance of Pardon

*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.*

In Christ Alone

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Keith Getty & Stuart Townend
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Song of Renewal

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song.
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.

What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My Comforter, my All in All,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save.

'Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied.
For every sin on Him was laid,
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again.

And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost it's grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine,
Brought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.

No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand.
'Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

We respond to the grace received

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

Community Life

Work in Progress - Will Wright

A time to hear how God is working in the life of our church members.

Prayers of the People

The world: Church plant in Prague, Czech Republic

The Northside: The Timothy Project, outreach to John Marshall High School

Our church: CARITAS, a ministry for the homeless in Richmond

Offering

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

Song of Preparation

Jesus cast a look on me,
Give me sweet simplicity;
Make me poor and keep me low,
Seeking only Thee to know.

All that feeds my busy pride,
Cast it evermore aside;
Bid my will to Thine submit,
Lay me humbly at Thy feet.

Make me like a little child,
Of my strength and wisdom spoiled;
Seeking only in Thy light,
Walking only in Thy might.

Leaning on Thy loving breast,
Where a weary soul can rest;
Feeling well the peace of God,
Flowing from His precious blood.

In this posture let me live,
And hosannas daily give;
In this temper let me die,
And hosannas ever cry!

Jesus, Cast a Look On Me

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Music: Matthew Perryman Jones
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*Our mind, body, and spirit
are nourished with food
that does not perish.*

Matthew 4:12-25

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. Sermon
discussion is the primary
material of study in our
Northside Groups.*

God feeds us with His Word

Sermon Text

12 Now when he heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. 13 And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, 14 so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

*15 "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali,
the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—*

*16 the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light,
and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death,
on them a light has dawned."*

17 From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

18 While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. 19 And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." 20 Immediately they left their nets and followed him. 21 And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. 22 Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

23 And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people. 24 So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought him all the sick, those afflicted with various diseases and pains, those oppressed by demons, epileptics, and paralytics, and he healed them. 25 And great crowds followed him from Galilee and the Decapolis, and from Jerusalem and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

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

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

When you are ready, please come to one of the communion stations.

You will circle the communion station with others in a group of about 6.

Gluten-free wafers are located in the wooden boxes; grape juice is available upon request.

If you would like, a communion distributor will pray for your children.

There is a person at the back of the fellowship hall ready to pray with and for you, if desired.

Song of Communion

We love our God,
He always hears us when we cry,
His peace is so complete,
His love is so divine.

Sing a song (sing a song)
of praise unto the Lord,
Sing a song (sing a song)
of praise unto the Lord,
Sing a song (sing a song)
of praise unto the Lord,
He will hold us in His love forevermore.

We love our God,
we'll live and die to see His fame,
There's nothing greater than
the glory of His Name.

chorus

We love our God,
we long to see His Kingdom come,
And on that day then
every nation, tribe, and tongue will . . .

chorus (x2)

He will hold us in His love forevermore.

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

1 Corinthians 11:23b-26

Communion at Northside is a patient, relaxed time. As others take communion please feel free to pray, sing along, or talk quietly with your neighbor.

We Love Our God

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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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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.

How Great Thou Art

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Stuart K. Hine
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O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder,
Consider all the works Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul,
my Savior, God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!
Then sings my soul,
my Savior, God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

And when I think that God, his Son, not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in –
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died, to take away my sin.

chorus

When Christ shall come with shouts of acclamation,
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim,
“My God, how great Thou art!”

chorus

*At the end of the service,
please pick up your children
from the nursery.*

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

Each Sunday at 4pm in the fellowship hall of Battery Park Christian Church, located on the corner of Brook Rd and Bellevue Ave.

Visitors are always welcome!

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