



northside church

OF RICHMOND

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Meditation

The fact that we live between the decisive battle and the final battle explains why Peter must still warn his readers that the Devil prowls around like a lion seeking someone to devour (1 Peter 5:8). The Devil has suffered a fatal wound, but he is not dead. He remains dangerous, and we must remain watchful against his schemes. He does not always come at us looking as evil as he is.

- Keith Mathison

*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, and we ask Him to turn our hearts and minds toward Him.

Awesome

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Zechariah 9:9-10, 16-17

Please stand if able.

We gather in the presence of God

Song of Gathering

My God is awesome, He can move mountains,
Keep me in the valley, hide me from the rain. He's mighty, He's mighty, He's mighty, He's mighty!
My God is awesome, heals me when I'm broken, Awesome, awesome!
Strength where I've been weakened,
forever He will reign. He's holy, He's holy, He's holy, He's holy!
repeat Awesome, awesome!

My God is awesome, awesome,
awesome, awesome! He's great, He's great, He's great, He's great!
My God is awesome, awesome,
awesome, awesome! Awesome, awesome!

My God is awesome, Savior of the whole world
Giver of salvation, by His stripes I am healed. Awesome, awesome!
My God is awesome, today I am forgiven,
His grace is why I'm living, praise His holy name! Protector, Protector, Protector, Protector!
Awesome, awesome!

chorus Deliverer, Deliverer, Deliverer, Deliverer!
Awesome, awesome!

Welcome and Call to Worship

Leader: *Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!*
Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!
Behold, your King is coming to you;

People: *righteous and having salvation is He,
humble and mounted on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.*

Leader: *His rule shall be from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.*

People: *On that day the LORD their God will save them,
as the flock of His people;
for like the jewels of a crown they shall shine on His land.
For how great is His goodness, and how great His beauty!*

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!

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!

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!

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!

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

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John Rippon
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*A **diadem** is a crown worn
as a sign of royalty.*

Scripture Reading

See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Colossians 2:8-15

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

Please read together.

Isaiah 53:5

*How Deep the Father's
Love For Us*

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We confess our sin and receive grace

Confession of Sin

Almighty God, though You guide and protect us as our Shepherd, we flee from You.
Though You rule heaven and earth as King, we give our all to our tiny kingdom.
Though You comfort us as our Shepherd, we console ourselves with our sins.
Though Your cross has made peace, we foolishly war against You and one another.
Though You declare "New creation!" we just prefer the old.

Heavenly Father, have mercy upon us.
Lord Jesus Christ, deliver us from our sins.
Holy Spirit, renew us after the image of our Creator. 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.*

Song of Renewal

How deep the Father's love for us,
how vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son,
to make a wretch His treasure!

How great the pain of searing loss,
the Father turned His face away,
As wounds which mar the chosen one,
bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross,
my sin upon His shoulders.
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
call out among the scoffers.

It was my sin that held Him there
until it was accomplished.
His dying breath has brought me life;
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything;
no gifts, no power, no wisdom,
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.

Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer,
But this I know with all my heart:
His wounds have paid my ransom.

repeat

We respond to the grace received

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

Passing of the Peace

Community Life

Baptism - Ezra Stone Bastardi

Offering

Song of Preparation

Come thou fount of ev'ry blessing,
tune my heart to sing Thy grace.
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it –
mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my **Ebenezer**,
hither by Thy help I've come;
And I hope by Thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wand'ring from the fold of God.
He, to rescue me from danger,
interposed His precious blood.

O, to grace, how great a debtor,
daily I'm constrained to be.
Let that grace, now, like a **fetter**,
bind my wand'ring heart to Thee.

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it –
prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it –
seal it for Thy courts above.

repeat

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

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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“Ebenezer” means “stone of help.” It was the name of a monument to God’s faithfulness erected by Samuel, a judge of ancient Israel. See 1 Samuel 7:12.

A “fetter” is a chain or shackle placed on the feet.

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

Ephesians 6:10-13

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.*

God feeds us with His Word

Sermon Text

10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. 11 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. 12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. 13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm.

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

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

There's nothing worth more,
that will ever come close,
No thing can compare, You're our living hope.
Your presence, Lord.

I've tasted and seen, of the sweetest of loves,
Where my heart becomes free,
and my shame is undone,
in Your presence, Lord.

Holy Spirit, You are welcome here,
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere.
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for,
To be overcome by Your presence, Lord.

repeat

There's nothing worth more,
that will ever come close,
No thing can compare, You're our living hope.
Your presence, Lord.

I've tasted and seen, of the sweetest of loves,
Where my heart becomes free,
and my shame is undone,
in Your presence, Lord.

chorus

Let us become more aware of Your presence,
Let us experience the glory of Your goodness.

repeat

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.

Holy Spirit

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*2 Corinthians 3:17
Psalm 96: 8-13*

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

God sends us out refreshed

Victory In Jesus

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Song of Rejoicing

I heard an old, old story,
how a Savior came from glory,
How He gave His life on Calvary
to save a wretch like me;
I heard about His groaning,
of His precious blood's atoning,
Then I repented of my sins
and won the victory.

O victory in Jesus,
my Savior, forever!
He sought me and bought me
with His redeeming blood;
He loved me ere I knew Him,
and all my love is due Him,
He plunged me to victory
beneath the cleansing flood.

I heard about His healing,
of His cleansing pow'r revealing.
How He made the lame to walk again
and caused the blind to see;
And then I cried, "Dear Jesus,
come and heal my broken spirit,"
And somehow Jesus came and brought
to me the victory.

chorus

I heard about a mansion
He has built for me in glory.
And I heard about the streets of gold
beyond the crystal sea;
About the angels singing,
and the old redemption story,
And some sweet day I'll sing to Him
the song of victory.

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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