

northside church of RICHMOND

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Meditation

Nothing is so cruel as the tenderness that consigns another to his sin. Nothing can be more compassionate than the severe rebuke that calls a brother back from the path of sin.

- Dietrich Bonhoeffer

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.

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We gather in the presence of God

Song of Gathering

Our mouths, they were filled, filled with laughter; Our tongues, they were loosed, loosed with joy; Restore us, O Lord! Restore us, O Lord!

Although we are weeping, Lord help us keep sowing, The seeds of Your Kingdom for the day You will reap them! Your sheaves we will carry, Lord please do not tarry. All those who sow weeping will go out with songs of joy. The nations will say, "He has done great things!" The nations will sing songs of joy. Restore us, O Lord! Restore us, O Lord!

chorus

Welcome and Call to Worship

- Leader: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
- People: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
- Leader: For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.
- **People:** The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.
- Leader: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!
 - People: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

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toward Him.

Psalm 126

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God is present with us in

worship, and we ask Him to turn our hearts and minds

Song of Praise

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word! What more can He say than to you He has said, To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled.

Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed, For I am your God and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call you to go, The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow; For I will be with you, your troubles to bless, And sanctify to you your deepest distress.

Scripture Reading

When through fiery trials your pathways shall lie, My grace, all sufficient, shall be your supply; The flame shall not hurt you; I only design Your dross to consume, and your gold to refine.

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes; That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

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How Firm a Foundation

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Colossians 3:1-17

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming. In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

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

Please read together.

We confess our sin and receive grace

Confession of Sin

Generous God, You sent us the Spirit of courage, but we act out of fear. You sent us the Spirit of truth, but we often trust lies instead. You sent us the Spirit of healing, but we cannot let go of our hurts. Now our hearts are suspicious, our minds are confused, and our faith is timid.

Hear our confession, and come near to us with mercy. We hold out to You all our particular burdens of guilt and sin. Help us rest in Your forgiveness, and rejoice in Your power to change sinners. Teach us to love You with our whole being, and to walk in Your ways. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Acts 13:38-39

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

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

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Zephaniah 3:17, Hebrews 2:10, Ezekiel 38:20

We respond to the grace received

Passing of the Peace

Community Life

New Member Vows - Tyler and Gwyn Hines Baptism - Gwyn, Emme, and Winston Hines

Offering

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

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

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

Let Me Find Thee

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Matthew 18:15-20

Isaiah 40:8

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Today's sermon is given

by Assistant Pastor P.D.

God feeds us with His Word

Sermon Text

15 "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. 16 But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. 17 If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. 18 Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. 19 Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. 20 For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them."

Leader: *The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.* **People: Praise be to God!**

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

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

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

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.

He Knows My Name

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We go forth to love and serve God and neighbor.

How Great Thou Art

Words and music:

Stuart K. Hine

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God sends us out refreshed

Songs of Rejoicing

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 (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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