

northside church of RICHMOND

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Meditation

You see if marriage, like schools and museums, is our invention, you can tinker with it. If it's not our invention, you can't. If you pick up a gun, you have to deal with the design of the maker. The maker of the gun designed it to aim *that* way, and if you don't submit to it, you'll probably shoot a hole in yourself. Marriage is the same way.

- Tim Keller

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.

Just a Little Talk With Jesus

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We gather in the presence of God

Song of Gathering

I once was lost in sin, but Jesus took me in.

Then a little light from heaven healed my soul

Then a little light from heaven healed my soul. Well He bathed my heart in love,

and He wrote my name above.

Just a little talk with Jesus makes it right.

You may have doubts and fears,
And your eyes be filled with tears,
But Jesus is a friend who watches day and night.
He wrote my name above,
And he bathed my heart in love.

Just a little talk with Jesus makes it right.

We'll just have a little talk with Jesus,

And we'll tell him all about out troubles.

He will hear our faintest cry,

He will answer by and by.

When you feel a little prayerful yearning, You will know a little fire is burning. Just a little talk with Jesus makes it right. chorus

verse 1

Welcome and Call to Worship

Psalm 96:1-6 Leader: Oh sing to the LORD a new song;

sing to the LORD, all the earth!

Please stand if able.

People: Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

Leader: Declare his glory among the nations,

his marvelous works among all the peoples!

People: For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;

he is to be feared above all gods.

Leader: For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols,

but the LORD made the heavens.

People: Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

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 Iesus' Name

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

Scripture Reading

Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." Now out of the ground the LORD God had formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man."

Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!**

Genesis 2:18-24

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

Lord God, every day we are reminded that we fall short of Your character:

You are strong; we are blown about by whim,

You call for justice; we play favorites and prefer comfort,

You are holy through and through; our best efforts are marred by sin and cannot save us.

Oh how we need a Savior to ransom us from bondage!

Thank You for providing exactly what we need in Jesus.

Oh how we need continued renewal in Your image!

Thank You for sending the Holy Spirit to continue Your work of salvation.

Forgive us our sins, and lead us to rest in Your grace. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

The next day [John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"

In Christ Alone

Iohn 1:29

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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. 'Til 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 its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine,
Bought 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. 'Til 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.

Passing of the Peace

Community Life

New Member Vows - Zach and Blair Nelson

Offering

Today we are collecting an offering for the mercy fund in 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.

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

Song of Preparation

All this pain,

I wonder if I'll ever find my way.

I wonder if I my life could really change at all.

All this earth:

could all that is lost ever be found?

Could a garden come up from this ground at all?

You make beautiful things,

You make beautiful things out of the dust.

You make beautiful things,

You make beautiful things out of us.

All around,

life is springing up from this old ground. Out of chaos life is being found in You.

chorus (x2)

You make me new,

You are making me new.

You make me new,

You are making me new.

chorus (x2)

Beautiful Things

Word and music: Michael and Lisa Gungor © 2010 Brash Music Our mind, body, and spirit are nourished with food that does not perish.

Matthew 19:1-12

God feeds us with His Word

Sermon Text

Now when Jesus had finished these sayings, he went away from Galilee and entered the region of Judea beyond the Jordan. 2 And large crowds followed him, and he healed them there.

3 And Pharisees came up to him and tested him by asking, "Is it lawful to divorce one's wife for any cause?" 4 He answered, "Have you not read that he who created them from the beginning made them male and female, 5 and said, 'Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh'? 6 So they are no longer two but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate." 7 They said to him, "Why then did Moses command one to give a certificate of divorce and to send her away?" 8 He said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart Moses allowed you to divorce your wives, but from the beginning it was not so. 9 And I say to you: whoever divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another, commits adultery."

10 The disciples said to him, "If such is the case of a man with his wife, it is better not to marry." 11 But he said to them, "Not everyone can receive this saying, but only those to whom it is given. 12 For there are eunuchs who have been so from birth, and there are eunuchs who have been made eunuchs by men, and there are eunuchs who have made themselves eunuchs for the sake of the kingdom of heaven. Let the one who is able to receive this receive it."

Leader: The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.

People: Praise be to God!

Sermon

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.

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.

1 Corinthians 11:23b-26

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.

As others take communion please feel free to pray, sing along, or talk quietly with your neighbor.

Song of Communion

Jesus, the Lord, my Savior is, My Shepherd, and my God. My light, my strength, my joy, my bliss, And I, His grace, record.

Yea, all I need, in Jesus dwells, And there, it dwells for me. 'Tis Christ, my earthen vessel, fills, With treasures rich and free.

Mercy and truth and righteousness, And peace, most richly meet, In Jesus Christ, the King of grace, In whom I stand complete. As through the wilderness, I roam, His mercies, I'll proclaim. And when I safely reach my home, I'll still adore His name.

"Worthy the Lamb," shall be my song, For, He for me was slain. And me, with all the heavenly throng, Shall join, and say, "Amen."

chorus

Jesus, the Lord, my Savior is, My Shepherd, and my God. My light, my strength, my joy, my bliss, And I, His grace, record.

Jesus, The Lord, My Savior Is

Words: William Gadsby Music: Sandra McCracken © 2001 Same Old Dress Music We go forth to love and serve God and neighbor.

God sends us out refreshed

Blessed Be Your Name

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Job 1:21-22 Psalm 113:2-3 Daniel 2:20-23

Song of Rejoicing

Blessed be Your name
In the land that is plentiful,
Where Your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be Your name.
Blessed be Your name
When I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed be Your name.

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise. When the darkness closes in, Lord, Still I will say,

Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your name! Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your glorious name! Blessed be Your name

When the sun's shining down on me, When the world's all as it should be.

Blessed be Your name. Blessed be Your name

On the road marked with suffering,

Though there's pain in the offering

Blessed be Your name.

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise. When the darkness closes in, Lord, Still I will say,

chorus (x2)

You give and take away, You give and take away, My heart will choose to say "Lord, blessed be Your name."

repeat

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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