



northside church

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He is risen!

Meditation

Question: How does Christ's resurrection benefit us?

Answer: First, by his resurrection he has overcome death,
so that he might make us share in the righteousness he obtained for us by his death.

Second, by his power we too are already raised to a new life.

Third, Christ's resurrection is a sure pledge to us of our blessed resurrection.

- Heidelberg Catechism, 45

*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.

Luke 24:1-9

Were You There?

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Christ The Lord Is Risen Today

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God calls us into His presence

Scripture Reading

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." And they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest.

Songs of Gathering

Were you there when He rose up from the grave?
Were you there when He rose up from the grave?
Oh, sometimes I feel like shouting "Glory, glory, glory!"
Were you there when He rose up from the grave?

Christ, the Lord, is risen today, Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!
Raise your voice and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heavens, and earth, reply, Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids His rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once He died, our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted head, Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Call to Worship

Leader: *Then I looked, and I heard around the throne
and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels,
numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands,
saying with a loud voice,*

**People: *“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might
and honor and glory and blessing!”***

Leader: *And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth
and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying,*

**People: *“To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb
be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!”***

Song of Praise

Before I knew what freedom was,
Jesus set me free.

With no control, a slave to sin,
God was my enemy.

But then He broke my rusty chains
to share eternity.

Before I knew what freedom was,
Jesus set me free.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
Hallelujah, Jesus set me free!

Before I knew what loving was,
He showed His love for me.
He knew me in my mother’s womb,
He knew my sinful tendencies.
Adopted by His saving grace
into His family.

Before I knew what loving was,
He showed His love for me.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
Hallelujah, He showed His love for me!

Before I knew what living was,
He gave His life for me.
I was defeated in my sins,
death had the victory.
Then all my guilt was placed on Him,
That day on Calvary.
Before I knew what living was,
He gave His life for me.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
Hallelujah, He gave His life for me!

Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
Hallelujah, Jesus set me free!

Revelation 5:11-13

Please stand if able.

Before I Knew

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

Confession of Sin

Lord Jesus Christ, by Your steadfast love and atoning sacrifice,
You took our place and proved Yourself to be the Friend of sinners.
You were punished that we might be pardoned, and broken that we would be made whole.
In Your resurrection You demonstrated Your power over death,
and showed us our future - triumphant, redeemed, and blessed eternally.

While we await this, we have been faithless and anxious in heart.
In our restlessness we have sought peace for our souls where there is none to be found.
Apart from You, we find ourselves alone, tired, and worn. Forgive us, Savior!
Restore to us the true rest You offer us by Your death and resurrection. Amen.

Silent Confession

Song of Renewal

There is life in the blood
of the Lamb who was slain.
There is power, there is power in His name.
There is love pouring out
of the wounds that were made,
Pouring out, pouring over our shame.

So praise the God who saves!
Praise the God who bled!
Praise the God who was nailed to a tree,
And wore our sins upon His head.

There is truth in His body,
raised that third day.
There is joy in a stone rolled away.

There is hope pouring out
of the tomb where He lay,
Pouring out, pouring over the grave.

chorus

There is life in the blood
of the Lamb who was slain.
There is power, there is power in His name.

So praise the God who saves!
Praise the God who bled!
Praise the God who was nailed to a tree,
And wore our sins...

chorus

Assurance of Pardon

If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

God Who Saves

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Romans 8:11

Passing of the Peace

Being reconciled with God through Christ enables us to seek peace with each other and participate in His work.

Community Life

Easter Praise and Petition: Resurrection power in the world, the Northside, and the church

Offering

In response to God's generous mercy toward us, we are invited to worship through the cheerful giving of our resources.

Song of Preparation

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.

In Christ Alone

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

God feeds us with His Word

Sermon Text

1 Corinthians 15:50-57

50 I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. 51 Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. 53 For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. 54 When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written:

“Death is swallowed up in victory.”

55 “O death, where is your victory?

O death, where is your sting?”

56 The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. 57 But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

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
Pastor Matt Lorish*

Sermon

*We encourage you to use
this space to take notes or
write questions.*

God sends us out with His blessing

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

Songs of Rejoicing

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!

The whole of nature groans with longing,
We ache for that promised glory.
Still we rejoice because we know -
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.

The whole of nature groans with longing,
We wait for that promised glory.
Still we rejoice because we know,
that sorrow's end is coming.

Here in the darkness of our mourning,
We wait for the Light that's coming.
And on that day we will return,
with joy and gladness singing.

chorus

Behold, your God – He will come and save you!
repeat

chorus

He will swallow up death
and wipe the tears from our faces!
He will swallow up death
and wipe the tears from our faces!
We'll sing, "This is our God we've waited for,
and He saved us!"
He will swallow up death
and wipe the tears from our faces!

The Anthem (You Have Won the Victory)

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Swallowed Up Death

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Victory In Jesus

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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

Every Sunday at 4pm in the fellowship hall of Battery Park Christian Church, on the corner of Brook and Bellevue. Visitors are always welcome!

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