

WELCOME

Church In Bethesda is a multi-denominational, multicultural, open & inclusive community, connecting our city through spirituality, education, and service.

We seek to serve people of all races, genders, ages, cultures, orientations, family configurations, physical and mental conditions, and all other distinctions that make up God's creation.

Words

In some traditional prayers, hymns, and scripture passages, God is portrayed as gender-specific. As we pray, sing, and learn together, you are invited to substitute terms that reflect your understanding of the full inclusiveness of God.

SINGING

Lord I Lift Your Name On High

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Verse

Come, now is the time to worship
Come, now is the time to give your heart
Come, just as you are to worship
Come, just as you are before your God
Come

Chorus

One day every tongue will confess
you are God
One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains for those
Who gladly choose you now

SINGING

The Goodness Of God

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Verse 1

I love You, Lord
Your mercy never fails me
All my days, I've been held in your hands

From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head to rest
I will sing of the goodness of God

Chorus

All my life you have been faithful
All my life you have been so, so good
With every breath that i am able
I will sing of the goodness of God

Verse 2

I love your voice
You have led me through the fire
In the darkest night, you are close like no other
I've known you as a father
I've known you as a friend
I have lived in the goodness of God, yeah

Bridge

Your goodness is running after
it's running after me
Your goodness is running after
it's running after me
With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now
I give you everything
Your goodness is running after
it's running after me

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Michael Orevba

We're glad you're here! Welcome back if you've been here before, and a very special welcome if you're here for the first time.

[CiB Kids](#)

Our program for kids, K through 5th grade happens right now, downstairs. During The Passing Of The Peace, you may take your children there if they would like to join the other kids.

The Passing Of The Peace

This is a time for us to greet one another in the spirit of peace.

A SONG OF CENTERING

You Never Let Go

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Verse 1

Even though I walk
through the valley of the shadow of death
Your perfect love is casting out fear

Even when I'm caught
in the middle of the storms of this life
I won't turn back, I know You are near

And I will fear no evil
For my God is with me

Pre Chorus

And if my God is with me
Whom then shall I fear?
Whom then shall I fear?

Chorus

Oh no, You never let go
Through the calm and through the storm

Oh no, You never let go
In every high and every low
Oh no, You never let go
Lord, You never let go of me

Verse 2

And I can see a light that is coming
for the heart that holds on
A glorious light beyond all compare
And there will be an end to these troubles

But until that day comes, we'll live to know
You're here on the earth.

Bridge

I can see a light that is coming
for the heart that holds on
And there will be an end to these troubles
but until that day comes

Still I will praise You
Still I will praise You

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Eliana Lamadrid

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory for ever and ever.

SERMON

Ryan Phipps

The Long Search, Part 3
"On Suffering"

"God is at peace with us right now. By faith, he has brought us to this place and we look joyfully forward to becoming all that God has in store for us. We can also rejoice when we suffer, because it helps us learn to be more patient. And patience produces character, and character produces hope.

As a result, we are able to hold our heads high no matter what happens, knowing how dearly God loves us so that we might share that same love with others. —Romans 5:1-5

REFLECTION

Raphael Salamon

Communion

We take time each Sunday to remember the love of God for us symbolized by bread and wine.

Candles

You are invited to light a candle representing a loved one, a sign of peace, a prayer, or a concern.

Table Time

This is a time for us to engage with an object lesson to help us further contemplate our lesson from today.

Giving

We donate to CiB as a gestures of gratitude. You are invited to place your donations in the box at the back of the room.



You may also give digitally by snapping the QR code

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Mike Lee

This is a time for us to share our celebrations and concerns with the community. All are welcome to share.

NEWS

Penny Yao

We have plenty for you to be involved with and to keep you engaged throughout the week. Please see the insert included here for more information.



Would you like to receive email from CiB?. Snap the QR code.

We'd love to meet you!

Are you new to CiB? We'd love to meet you. Come to the front of the sanctuary after the service to meet pastor Ryan. We also want to make sure that you get a free mug.

May we pray with you?

If you have a need, a fear, a hurt, or a triumph to share with God, we'd love to pray with you at the front of the sanctuary after the worship service concludes.

CLOSING SONG

I Have A Light

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I have a light
And it always shines
It shines in the day
And it shines in the night

When the dark days come
And the sun isn't bright
I will be shining
Because I have a light

BENEDICTION

Michael Orevba

a few departing words of blessing as we head into the coming week



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SNAP HERE TO
SAVE TREES

NEWS

THINGS TO BE A PART OF AT CiB



Year-End-Giving Statements

Have you received your giving statement?

If you haven't received a year-end-giving statement from our office, it means that we don't have your contact info.

Kindly reach out to Desiree Saba, CiB's office administrator, at office@churchinbethesda.org.

Thanks so much!



Everyone deserves
a safe space to be heard.

Thursdays

Pastor Ryan leaves two open appointments on his calendar every Thursday for anyone who would like to chat. No strings attached.

Whatever your reason, pastor Ryan is available to chat with you in a confidential environment where you will be listened to and responded to with love.

Everyone Should Eat

If you are in need of meals, come to the back entrance of the church Monday through Friday at 12:30 PM for free food.



Get more info at
churchinbethesda.org/lunch-program.

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THING AS A FREE LUNCH

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