

YOU ARE SAFE HERE.

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, religions, and all other distinctions which make up the beautiful tapestry of God's creation.

Words

In some traditional prayers, hymns, and scripture passages, God is often 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

Come, Now Is The Time To Worship

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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

Yeshua

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Verse

My Beloved is
The most beautiful
Among thousands and thousands

Chorus

Jesus, Amen, Amen

Bridge

And Yours is the kingdom
Yours is the power
Yours is the glory forever, Amen

WELCOME

Allison Mckie

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 other in the spirit of peace. Please be COVID conscious, as some might prefer not to engage in physical touch.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Sloane Diemer

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.

A SONG OF CENTERING

We invite you to sit and listen to a song before we hear from the scriptures.

I Surrender

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Here I am
Down on my knees again
Surrendering all
Surrendering all

And find me here
Lord as You draw me near
Desperate for You
Desperate for You

I surrender

Drench my soul
As mercy and grace unfold
I hunger and thirst
I hunger and thirst

With arms stretched wide
I know You hear my cry
Speak to me now
Speak to me now

I surrender
I surrender
I want to know You more
I wanna know You more

Like a rushing wind
Jesus breathe within
Lord have Your way
Lord have Your way in me

Like a mighty storm
Stir within my soul
Lord have Your way
Lord have Your way in me

SERMON

Ryan Phipps

"Anger As Evidence"

What is humankind that you make so much of them, that you give them so much attention, that you examine them every morning and test them every moment?

Will you never look away from me, or let me alone even for an instant? If I have erred, what is it to you, you who see everything? Why have you made me your target?

Theme: We cannot be angry with something that we don't believe in. Even our anger toward God is an act of faith.

Job 7:17-20

REFLECTION

Ryan Phipps

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 peace, a prayer, or in the memory of a loved one.

Giving

We give as gestures of gratitude and worship. You are invited to place your offerings in the box at the back of the room. You may also give digitally by using the QR code on the offering box.

Table Time

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

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Mckenna Merz

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

NEWS

Ryan Phipps

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

SINGING

Bind Us Together

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Love in any language
Straight from the heart
Pulls us all together
Never apart

And once we learn to speak it
All the world will hear
Love in any language
Fluently spoken here

BENEDICTION

Michael Orevba

MAY WE PRAY WITH YOU?

If you have a need, a fear, a hurt, or a triumph to share with God, Tom and Allison would love to pray with you at the front of the sanctuary after the worship service concludes. Anything you share will be held in confidence, no matter your circumstance. You are safe here.



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WELCOME