

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

Hail Gladdening Light

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Verse 1

Hail Gladdening Light, Sun so bright
Jesus Christ, the end of night
Alleluia

Hail Gladdening Light, eternal, bright
In eventime, around us shine
Alleluia

Chorus

We see your glory, loving, divine
You bring the seasons, all in your time
No one more worthy of songs to be sung
To the Giver Of Life
All glory is Thine

Verse 2

Hail Gladdening Light, joyous Light
Star in the East forever shine
Alleluia

Hail Gladdening Light, eternal, bright
In eventime, around us shine
Alleluia

Bridge

Alleluia, Alleluia
Alleluia, rejoice

SINGING

Indescribable

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Verse 1

From the highest of heights
to the depths of the sea
Creation's revealing Your majesty

From the colors of fall
to the fragrance of spring
Every creature unique
in the song that it sings
All exclaiming

Chorus

Indescribable, uncontainable
You placed the stars in the sky
And You know them by name
You are amazing, God

All powerful, untamable
Awestruck, we fall to our knees
As we humbly proclaim
You are amazing, God

Verse 2

Who has told every lightning bolt
where it should go?
Or seen heavenly storehouses
laden with snow?

Who imagined the sun
and gives source to its light?

Yet, conceals it to bring us
the coolness of night
None can fathom

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The Passing Of The Peace

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

What A Friend I've Found

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Verse 1

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I'm found
Was blind, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

Chorus

My chains are gone, I've been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love
Amazing grace

Verse 2

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

Verse 3

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God, who called me here below
Will be forever mine, will be forever mine
You are forever mine

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Sacraments, Part 1: "Words"

"Every part of Scripture is God-breathed and
useful one way or another—showing us truth,
exposing our rebellion, correcting our mistakes,
and training us to live God's way. Through the Word
we are put together and shaped up for the tasks
God has for us." (2 Timothy 3:17)

REFLECTION

Communion, Candles, Table Time

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

Our Celebrations and Concerns

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

NEWS

This week at CiB

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

This Love

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This love is higher than
the highest of mountains
This love is deeper than
the deepest of seas
This love it stretches to
the farthest horizon
This love, it reaches to me

BENEDICTION

Some Closing Words

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



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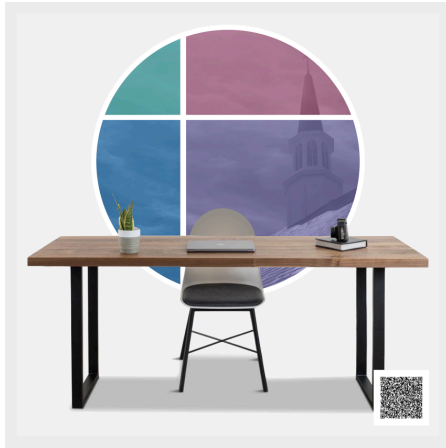
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THINGS TO BE A PART OF AT CiB



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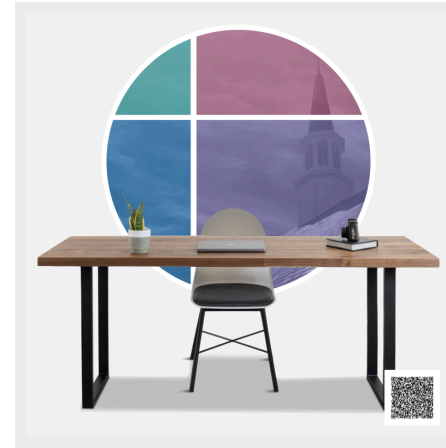
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