## WELCOME

Church In Bethesda is a multidenominational, 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

## He Is Exalted

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## Verse

He is exalted
The King is exalted on high
I will praise him

He is exalted Forever exalted And I will praise His name

### Chorus

He is the Lord Forever His truth shall reign Heaven and Earth Rejoice in his holy name

He is exalted The King is exalted on high

## SINGING

## Build My Life

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### Verse 1

Worthy of every song we could ever sing Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe We live for You We live for You

#### Verse 2

Jesus, the Name above every other name Jesus, the only One who could ever save Worthy of every breath We could ever breathe We live for You, we live for You

### Chorus

Holy, there is no one like You There is none beside You Open up my eyes in wonder

Show me who You are And fill me with Your heart And lead me in Your love To those around me

### Bridge

I will build my life upon Your love It is a firm foundation I will put my trust in You alone And I will not be shaken

I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

## WFICOME

## Megan Nunez

This is a time for us to greet one another in the spirit of peace. Find familiar faces and new ones as you room about the room.

## SINGING

### The Goodness Of God

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### Verse 1

I love you, Lord
For 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
I will sing of the goodness of God

### Verse 2

I love your voice
You have led me through the fire
In 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

### 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

### 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

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

Jacki Kwan

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 5: "Medicine"

### Mark 8:22-25

Jesus and his disciples came to Bethsaida. Some people brought a blind man to Jesus and begged him to touch and heal him.

Taking the blind man's hand, Jesus led him out of the village. After spitting on his eyes and laying his hands on the man, he asked him, "Do you see anything?"

The man looked up and said, "I see people. They look like trees, only they are walking around."

Then Jesus placed his hands on the man's eyes again. He looked with his eyes wide open, his sight restored, and he could see everything clearly.

## REFLECTION

## Wiemi Douoguih

### 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 or snap the QR code on the pew in front of you.

# THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Natalie Mediouni

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

All are welcome to share.

## NEWS

Mike Lee

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

## SINGING

## Bind Us Together

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Bind us together Lord, bind us together With cords that cannot be broken

Bind us together Lord, bind us together Bind us together with love

## BENEDICTION

Rhea Noumair

Please stand for a few closing words of blessing.



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## Your skills are needed here!

If you are interested in volunteering around the church during the week, we have plenty for you to be a part of!

We are specifically looking for people with a basic knowledge of any of the areas below.

Social Media, Marketing, Communications, Human Resources, Workers Compensation

If you're interested in volunteering, kindly email Desiree Saba at office@churchinbethesda.org.

## Everyone deserves a safe place to be heard.

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 churchnbethesda.org/lunch-program.

## WHAT I LEARNED TODAY...

FOR NOTES	