

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 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

Maker Of All

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Verse 1

Worthy is the Lord
God of tribes and tongues
Wonderful the Maker of us all

Moving in all nations
In all orientations
Beautiful the Maker of us all

Verse 2

Worthy is the Lord
God of tribes and tongues
Wonderful the Maker of us all

Moving in all nations
In all denominations
Beautiful, the Maker of us all

Chorus

And we sing holy
What a Mystery
With us in the storm and in the calm

And we sing holy
What a Mystery
With us in the rise and in the fall
The Maker of us all

Verse 3

Worthy is the Lord
Who rains upon us all
Water for the thirsty and the flawed

Sustaining all we see
Even enemies
For opportunities to share this Love

SINGING

Better Is One Day

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Verse 1

How lovely is your dwelling place
Oh, Lord Almighty
For my soul longs and even faints for You

For here my heart is satisfied
Within Your presence
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings

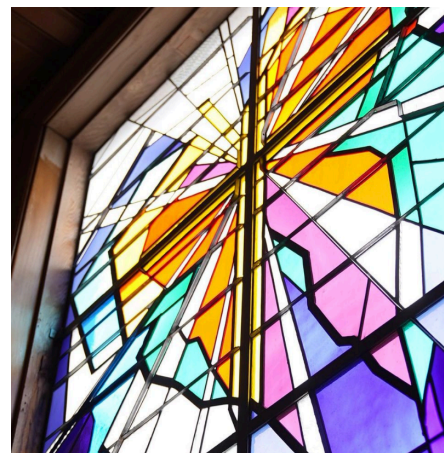
Verse 2

One thing I ask and I would seek
To see Your beauty
To find You in the place Your glory dwells

For here my heart is satisfied
Within Your presence
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings

Chorus

Better is one day in Your courts
Better is one day in Your house
Better is one day in Your courts
Than thousands elsewhere



THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Natalie Mediouni

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

Lurette and Jepthe Paulime'

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.

SONG OF CENTERING

All Of Us

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Verse 1

When I wake again to breath
It is there
You are there

And when I take steps toward death
It is there
You are there

Where can I run?
Where can I run?
It's by my side and I'm alive
Where can we go?
Where can we go?
It's yours and mine inside

Verse 2

When we break
and when we bend
It is there
You are there
When we pray
and when we're a mess
It is there
You are there

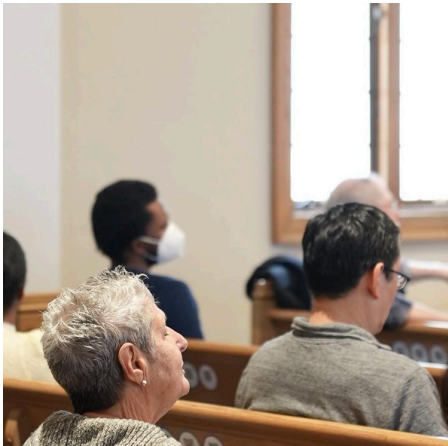
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It's yours and mine inside

Chorus

God sees all of us
God sees all of us
And we are all God's children
God hears all of us
God hears all of us
Even if we don't listen

God in all of us
God in all of us
To be more like children

God sees all of us
God hears all of us
God in all of us
God sees all of us
God sees all of us



SERMON

Ryan Phipps

Title: "The Healing Of Silence"
Passage: Job 2:11-13

A TIME OF REFLECTION

Anna Centeno

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

Megan Nunez

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

NEWS

Michael Orevba

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.

Post Service Prayer

If you have a need, a fear, a hurt, or a triumph to share with God, Tom would 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

Jeff Centeno



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