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 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

Awaken The Dawn

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Verse 1

Sing to the Lord with all of your heart Sing of the glory that's due to His name Sing to the Lord with all of your soul Join all of heaven and earth to proclaim

Chorus

You are the Lord
The Maker of all
God of creation we praise You
We sing the songs
That awaken the dawn
God of creation we praise You

Verse 2

Sing to the Lord with all of your mind With understanding give thanks unto Him Sing to the Lord with all of your strength Living your lives as a love offering

SINGING

Open The Eyes Of My Heart

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Verse

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord Open the eyes of my heart I want to see you I want to see you

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord Open the eyes of my heart I want to see you I want to see you

Chorus

To see you high and lifted up Shining in the light of your glory Pour out your power and love As we sing Holy, holy, holy

Bridge

Holy, holy, holy Holy, holy, holy Holy, holy, holy I want to see you



THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Mike Lee

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

Praise To The Lord The Almighty

Verse 1

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty the King of creation 0 my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation All ye who hear now to his temple draw near Praising in glad adoration

Verse 2

Praise to the Lord,
who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth
Shelters thee under her wings
yea so gently sustaineth
Hast thou not seen
how thy desires have been
Granted in what she ordaineth

Verse 3

Praise to the Lord
O let all that is in me adore him
All that hath life and breath
come now with praises before him
Let the Amen sound from his people again
gladly forever adore him

Chorus

Praise him

Verse 4

Praise to the Lord O let all that is in me adore him All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him adore him



TODAY'S SERMON

Rev. Dr. Ella Redfield

A TIME OF REFLECTION

Jan Fox

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

Weimi Douoguih

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

All are welcome to share.



NEWS

Raphael Salamon

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

Bind Us Together

Verse

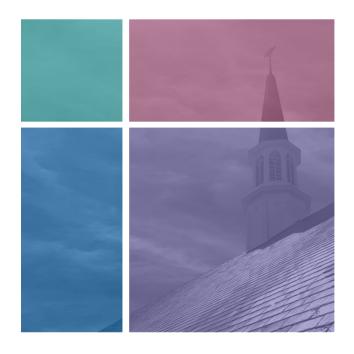
Bind us together, Lord Bind us together With cords that cannot be broken Bind us together, Lord Bind us together Bind us together with love

Chorus

There is work for our hands And ground for our feet There is work for our hands And ground for our feet

BENEDICTION

Jacki Kwan



SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

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