

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

Awaken The Dawn

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Verse

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

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Megan and Elana Nunez

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.

SINGING

Holy Is The Lord

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Verse

We stand and lift up our hands
For the joy of the Lord is our strength
We bow down and worship Him now
How great, how awesome is He

Bridge

And together we sing
And everyone sing

Chorus

Holy is the Lord, God Almighty
The earth is filled with His glory
Holy is the Lord, God Almighty
The earth is filled with His glory

A SONG OF CENTERING

Take My Life And Let It Be

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Verse 1

Take my life and let it be
Consecrated Lord to Thee
Take my moments and my days
Let them flow in ceaseless praise

Take my hands and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love
Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee

Verse 2

Take my voice and let me sing
Melodies and songs for Thee
Take my lips and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee

Take my silver and my gold
Not a mite would I withhold
Take my intellect and use
Every power as You choose

Verse 3

Take my will and make it Thine
It shall be no longer mine
Take my heart it is Thine own
Open and shall be your home

Take my love, my Lord, I pour
At Your feet its treasure store
Take myself and I will be
Ever only all for thee

Chorus

Here am I
All of me
Take my life
It's all for Thee

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Michael A. O Sullivan (Sully)

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.

TODAY'S SERMON

Ryan Phipps

"Praying Without Words"

The Spirit helps us in our weakness. When we do not know what we ought to pray for, the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. The God who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for people in accordance with God's perfect will.

—Romans 8:26-27

For Notes

A TIME OF 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.

Giving

We donate financially 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

Anna Centeno

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

NEWS

Jacki Kwan

Announcements

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.

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

Joshua Berk

AFTER WORSHIP

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.



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