

# YOU ARE SAFE HERE

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

### 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

#### 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

## SINGING

### Praise To The Lord The Almighty

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#### Verse 1

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty  
the King of creation  
O 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  
O we praise him

#### Outro

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, Adore him, Adore him

## WELCOME

### Ana and Lily Morassi

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

### Eliana Lamadrid

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.

## CENTERING

We invite you to sit and listen to a song  
before we hear from the scriptures.

### We Are

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#### Verse 1

very secret, every shame  
Every fear, every pain  
Live inside the dark  
But that's not who we are  
We are children of the day

#### Pre Chorus

So wake up sleeper, lift your head  
We were meant for more than this  
Fight the shadows conquer death  
Make the most of the time we have left

#### Chorus

We are the light of the world  
We are the city on a hill  
We are the light of the world  
We gotta, we gotta, we gotta  
let the light shine

We are the light of the world  
We are the city on a hill  
We are the light of the world  
We gotta, we gotta, we gotta let the light  
shine  
Let the light shine, let the light shine

#### Verse 2

We are called to spread the news  
Tell the world the simple truth  
Jesus came to save, there's freedom in His  
Name  
So let it all break through

#### Bridge

We are the light  
we are the light  
we are the light  
So let your light shine brighter

We are the light  
we are the light  
we are the light

Jesus, You are the light  
You are the light  
You are the light  
We will let You high and  
shine, shine shine

## SERMON

### Ryan Phipps

"Seeing Into People"

#### PASSAGE

"Jesus went through all the towns and  
villages, teaching in their synagogues,  
proclaiming the good news of the kingdom  
and healing every disease and sickness.

When he saw the crowds, he had  
compassion on them, because they were  
harassed and helpless, like sheep without a  
shepherd.

Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is  
plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the  
Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out  
workers into his harvest field."

—Matthew 9:35-38

PERSPECTIVE

"People seldom change. Only their masks do. It is only our perception of them and the perception they have of themselves that actually change." —Shannon L. Alder

FOR NOTES

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## REFLECTION

Shannon Brescher Shea

### 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

Raphael Salamon

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

## NEWS

David Yao

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

Bind Us Together

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### 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

Penny Yao

### Post Service Prayer

If you have a need, a fear, a hurt, or a triumph to share with God, Tom and Allison would love to pray with you at the front of the sanctuary after the worship service concludes. Anything you share will be held in confidence, no matter your circumstance. You are safe here

### Guest Book

Before departing, please take a minute to fill out our guest book in the lobby. We would love to stay in touch with you!



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# WELCOME



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