


**God who delights in us,  
you search us and find us out.  
You love us from the inside.  
Every thought and feeling, uttered and  
held in silence  
is known to you and precious to you.  
Dwell within us.  
Help us discover that you mean us to  
grow into who we are  
and no other.  
To be real, not to pretend,  
to know love – given and received,  
and to blossom in its liberating power.  
Shelter us in your protective shadow  
from those who will not accept us,  
who know us only from the outside.  
Give us the peace that passes  
all misunderstanding, fear and rejection  
knowing that you alone behold us,  
desire us, and declare us to be your own.  
Amen**



**The LGBTQIA+ Chaplaincy Service offers listening and support, and prayerful affirmation for LGBTQIA+ people, their families and friends.**

The chaplaincy is there for any person with pastoral needs, concerns or questions relating to issues of gender or sexuality.

In providing this service, we also hope to provide a greater voice to LGBTQIA+ people as we all learn about being church together.

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