



Our faith teaches us that transgender, nonbinary, and intersex people are beloved children of God. Recently, this community has come under attack by our federal government. Banned from serving in the military and fired from positions in the federal government. Prohibited from playing on school sports teams. Unable to get passports that reflect their gender identity. Cut off from lifesaving, gender-affirming care.

We are barely two months in 2025 and there have already been 339 anti-trans proposed laws at the state level across the nation. Every day, members of this beloved community wake up to more devastation. The people who love them are mourning. As people of faith, we must act! It is time to:

- 1) Tell Congress to investigate and block all the attacks on trans, nonbinary, and intersex people that are currently underway across the federal government, including the firing of federal government workers who work on issues of gender and sexuality and the State Department refusing to process gender changes to passports. If an agency or department is found to be violating U.S. law, the Constitution, or civil and individual rights, Congress has the constitutional duty to ensure, through robust investigation, the government corrects course.
- 2) Urge Congress to re-introduce the Equality Act, a first step towards passage. This law would provide protection from discrimination based on sexual orientation and/or gender identity. 70% of Americans support the Equality Act. While the Equality Act has been introduced several times in recent years, it has not yet been signed into law. If we are to live into our ideal of equality for all, the entire LGBTQ+ community must be protected against discrimination.

Let us work together for a world where all children of God are cherished, protected, and free to be their beautiful selves. As people of faith, we must be loud and clear in our message that trans individuals are beloved by God, are created in the image of God, and are deserving of dignity and equal protection under the law.

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