



Between Two Churches

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*Clowns to the left of me, Jokers to the right,
Here I am- stuck in the middle with you!*

Sometimes it does feel like that song, being an “inter-church” family. My wife is Anglican, I’m Catholic, and much as we love each other, neither of us wants to convert. Both churches have their idiosyncrasies, both have their share of “characters”, and yes, the sound of confusion is frequently heard!

But we make it work. In fact, we want it to work to the benefit of both churches, because we are both deeply involved in both churches, not just as passive attendees, but as participants. I’ve spent time up a ladder decorating her church for festivals, and sometimes her approach works better in getting something done at mine.

I think each church has a lot they could teach each other, and am happy to be an informal conduit for this, especially where “formal channels” wouldn’t be appropriate, or the best way to transplant ideas.

We belong to an online “inter-church families” group, and there are plenty of couples who have found some kind of middle ground they can both live with. From my vantage point in the sanctuary, I can see that there are a number of such couples among us. To them I say this: Yes, you are welcome, and no, you are not alone!