



Welcome to
St. Stephen's
Community Church
United Church of Christ
"Building Strong & Committed Disciples"

Praise & Worship Service Communion Sunday

August 17, 2025

Please mute your microphones & open your chat boxes in Zoom

Prelude

Opening Prayer

Congregational Hymn

"Blest Be The Tie That Binds", See Handout

Scripture Readings

Old Testament: Psalm 119:1-9 (NIV)

New Testament: Matthew 18:1-7 (NIV)

Sermon

"The Blueprint"

Deacon Sasha Graves Gaskin

Communion Service

Corporate Prayer/Altar Call

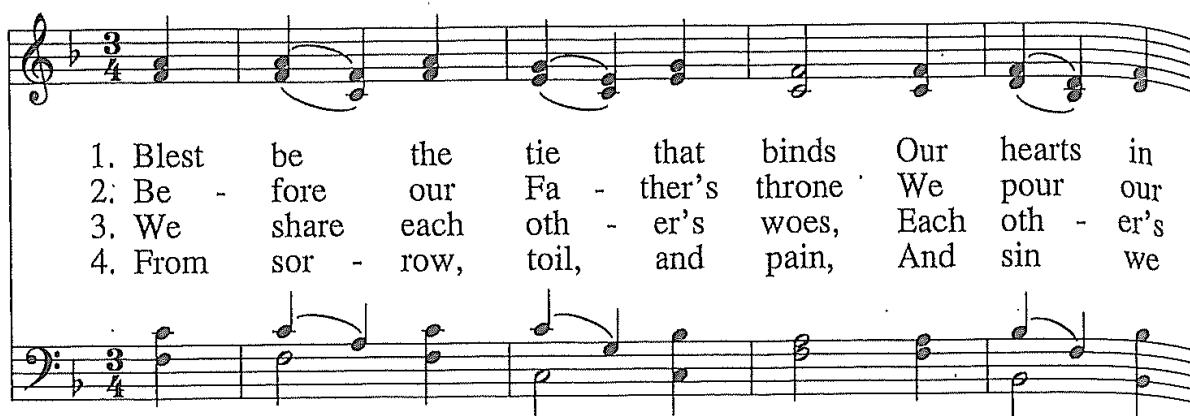
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Benediction

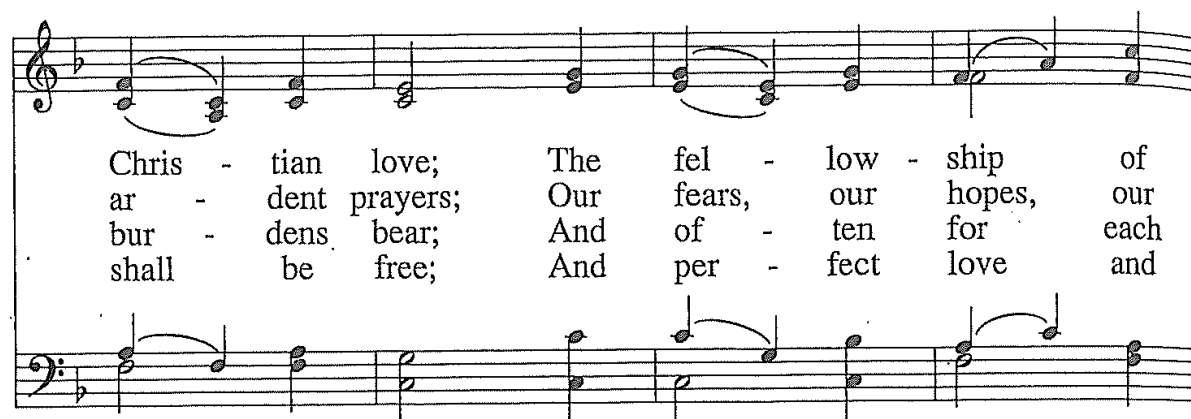
The Family of

341 BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS

*Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.
Colossians 3:14*



1. Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in
2. Be - fore our Fa - ther's throne We pour our
3. We share each oth - er's woes, Each oth - er's
4. From sor - row, toil, and pain, And sin we



Chris - tian love; The fel - low - ship of
ar - dent prayers; Our fears, our hopes, our
bur - dens bear; And of - ten for each
shall be free; And per - fect love and



kin - dred minds Is like to that a - bove.
aims are one, Our com - forts and our cares.
oth - er flows The sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
joy shall reign Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: John Fawcett, 1740-1817

Mus. by Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

Prayer List

August 17, 2025

Please submit your prayer request to ststephenscommunitychurchucc@gmail.com

The weekly prayer list can be found online at ststephenscc.org/announcements
and click 'Prayer List'.

Yvonne Elizabeth Simmons
The Family of Frank Dennis
The Family of Ron Lebbon
Stefani Whiteside Antoine
Chase Thomas
The Family of Eldon Liggon
The Family of David Stewart
The Family of Marjorie Hazen
The Family of Cleo Baker
Post LaMere Mirinda Cannon
The Family of Post La Mere Arthuria
Watkins and Post Debutante
Manessah Belle'Ange Naval
Darryl and Barbara Hein
Maxine & Eugene Cain
Delois Cain
Rori Blakeney
Sister Kim Dunbar
The Family of Joyce Jones
Sister Gabrielle Gaskin
Terrion Simpson
Mother Juanita Williams
The Family of Sister Doris Jackson
The Family of Llew Wilson
Connie Forrest
Lance Stallings
Sister Tinisha Speed & Family
The Family of Russell Neal
The Family of Elmira Henley
Sister Aversa Radford
Phyllis Handley
The family of Ken Beachler
Diane Spicer
Treva Truesdale
The family of Sister Paula Clark
Dr. Willie Davis & Family
Dennis Waller
The Family of Toni Ansley
The Family of Keith Harrison
The Family of Bill Woodland
Sister Nina Daugherty
Sister Tama Hamilton Wray
Sabrina Todd & Family
Sister Kathy Thomas & Family
The families of Brian Frazier, Arielle
Anderson, and Alexandria Verner
The students, faculty, and staff of
Michigan State University
Sister Yvonne Hall
Sister Lucy Stevenson

The Family of Brother Jonathan Hall
Minister Ed Forrest and Family
Andrea King Collier & Family
The Family of Hiawatha Cromer
Matthew Sherrod, Jr.
The Family of Cullen DuBose
Sister Chioma Ekpo
Antonio Manning & Family
Sister Onnette Mitchell
The family of Curtis Crump
Ken and Vicki Schnepf
The family of Howard Allen Shaw
The family of Richard Wright
Mother Cheryl Poplar and Family
Sister Landis Lain & Family
The Family of Pastor Cora Duncan
The Family of Paul Scholtz
The Family of
Joan Jackson Johnson
Susan Buchholtz and Family
The Family of LaRae Griggs
Tom Holcomb
Pascal Kamdem
The family of Allen Shaw
The family of Margaret Allen
Ron Lebbon
Susan DeRosa
Yvonne Williams
The Family of Phyllis Williams
Brother Arthur Williams
The Niece of Rev. Shareef
Mark Curry and Family
The Family of Mark Sanders
Harold Smith & Family
Khadejah Andrews & Family
Daryl Hibbert & Family
The Family of Paulette Soule
The Family of Shirley Scott
The Family of Florida Franklin
Phil Denny & Brother Pratt
Chermel Bluit & Family
Mohamed Ismail
Sister Tama's cousins Alex and
Rachel
Pat & Dave Hazen
Jacob Blake & Family
Dr. Tonya Bailey
Ursela Henry
Curlada Eure Harris
Adrienne Jones

Barbara James
Pamela Armstrong English
Keith & Tracy Adams
Kim Binker
April Jones
The Acosta Family
The Family of Diana Swoop
Audrey Hamilton
Diana Love
The family of Anita O'Neal
The family of Sherri Lawson
The Haller Family
Terrion Williamson
The Robinson Family
Willie Mae Gaskin
Jason Jackson
Desmond Crayton
John Fuqua
The Family of Shondricka Jones
The Gee Family
Michael & Monique Powers
Jamie Walls
Raine K. L. Johnson
Conscience Lewis
The Family of Charles Watts
Beverly Johnson & Family
The Family of Mother Bright
Mother Elmira Henley
Loretta Henley
Antanasio Ruiz and Family
Elaine VandeBunte
Family of Kelli Cross
Jerry and Paula Metts
LaVelle Gipson Tansil
Barbara Reeves
Diana Terry
Venetia Brown
Na'im Rhodes
Kinney Rhodes
Taris Bluit
Tea Pearson
The Family of Enam Dudley
The Gibbs Family
Shela Motley & Family
Lillian Vaughn and Family

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WILL RETURN AFTER LABOR DAY**

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