

Community of Christ

CMC Sunday Morning

Overcome Vengeance with Love

Sunday, August 16, 2026

Prelude		Roger Hintzsche
Welcome		Sylvia Elrod
Call to Worship:	Psalm 133:1 NLT	Jacki Duval
Hymn	“O May Your Church Build Bridges” CCS 224	Roger Hintzsche
Prayer of Praise		Sylvia Elrod
Response		Roger Hintzsche
Prayer for Peace		Colleen Gocken
Light the Peace Candle		
Scripture Reading	Genesis 45:1-15	Jayne Ackley
Testimony of Reconciliation		Sylvia Elrod
Hymn of Reconciliation	“Healing River of the Spirit” CCS 232	Roger Hintzsche
Morning Message		Blake Smith
Disciples’ Generous Response		Janiece Bollie
Blessing and Receiving of Local and Worldwide Mission Tithes		
Hymn:	“We Are One in the Spirit” CCS 359	Roger Hintzsche
Benediction		Sheryl Sawyers
Sending Forth: Alma 14:126-128, adapted		
Postlude		AV

O May Your Church Build Bridges, CCS 224

O may your church build bridges, Lord,
from wounded heart to wounded heart
across the crooked miles of pain
that truth's distortions still impart.

O may your church build bridges, Lord,
that link the personhood of all
and reaffirm the worth of each
in spite of color, creed, or call.

O may your church build bridges, Lord,
that span the years and stronger stand
as fear and hate are stilled by love
and Spirit's power lights the land.

Healing River of the Spirit, CCS 232

Healing river of the Spirit, bathe the wounds that living brings.
Plunge our pain, our sin, our sadness deep beneath your sacred springs.
Weary from the restless searching that has lured us from your side,
we discover in your presence peace the world cannot provide.

Wellspring of the healing Spirit, stream that flows to bring release,
as we gain our selves, our senses, may our lives reflect your peace.
Grateful for the flood that heals us, may your church enact your grace.
As we meet both friend and stranger, may we see our Savior's face.

Living stream that heals the nations, make us channels of your power.
All the world is torn by conflict; wars are raging at this hour.
Saving Spirit, move among us; guide our winding human course,
till we find our way together, flowing homeward to our Source.

We Are One in the Spirit – CCS 359

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

*And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;
we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;
and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land:

We will work with each other, we will work side by side;
we will work with each other, we will work side by side;
and we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride:

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Jesus, his only Son,
and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one: