

STONE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

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When Alexander Mack and a small group of others founded the movement that would become the Church of the Brethren they proclaimed no dogma, no creed but the New Testament. So the story goes, they were asked, "How will people know who you are if you don't have a creed – if you don't have a set of beliefs written down?"

"I hope," Mack replied, "that they will know who we are by the manner of our living."

WELCOME

Pastor Cindy

PRELUDE *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*
Loren & Donna Rhodes

Peter Scholtes/
arr. Mark Hayes

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Cindy

One: We gather as one body, united in the Spirit,

All: Committed to working together

One: And walking together in all of life's variabilities.

All: We gather as one body,

One: United in the Spirit that lives, moves, and empowers,

**All: Striving to live our lives faithfully, abundantly,
and hopefully.**

One: We gather as one body,

All: United in the Spirit of faithful love,

One: Praying that in this time together,

All: We may experience God's faithful love

One: So that we can embody it for others.

*SONG *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*[^]
Henry Thurston-Griswold, Guitar

Peter Scholtes

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

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Peter 3: 8-21

Sandy Loughlin

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

Pastor Ben

SONG

Help Us to Help Each Other[^]

362 vs 1,2

TIME OF PRAYER

Pastor Cindy

RESPONSE

Help Us to Help Each Other[^]

362 vs 3,4

MESSAGE

Be Prepared

Pastor Ben

*SONG

I Love to Tell the Story^{^^}

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*SENDING

Pastor Ben

POSTLUDE

Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing

Loren Rhodes

Trad. Sicilian melody/
arr. Todd Kendall

*Please Rise, as Able, in Body or Spirit

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