



*We pray to bring unity to our human community. We ask that we be healed and made whole as the family of God; we pray to draw deeper into communion with God and one another.*

Center of Concern

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## **The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

**In a fractured and fragmented world  
Awaken within us the deep desire to be made whole again.  
Give us the courage to bring Your reconciling presence  
To the divisions in our world today.**

**Call us back to that place where all are one in You.**

**Where pain and misunderstanding foster resentment, make us whole again.  
Where distraction and division destroy the bonds of community, make us whole again.  
Where the impulse to label and judge leads to rejection and violence, make us whole again.  
Where silence permits evil to flourish, make us whole again.  
Where we fail to forgive or be forgiven, make us whole again.  
Where borders of compassion and understanding become impassable,  
God of Unity, restore the essential bonds of community.**

**Remove the blindness that distorts our ability  
To see Your great love in each human you bring into being.**

**Draw us together in deeper communion with You and with each other.**

**Heal the divisions in our hearts, our families, our communities, and our world.**

**Grant us the grace to remove the obstacles that we place in our own path  
and in the path of others, so that our desire for wholeness may become a reality.**

~ Sr. Katherine Feely, S.N.D.

### **On The Path Toward Christian Unity**

**Bishop Denis Madden explores the importance of building relationship with members of other Christian traditions. <http://bcove.me/zwwb0wc5>**