

**Liturgy of Decommissioning of the Stilesville Campus of Visions United
as a place of worship within The United Church of Canada**

One: Holy One,
With gratitude we have remembered
our time in this sacred space
as Visions United,
as Stilesville United,
and as the ancestors of faith who laboured in love
to build this place of worship
and nurture the faith of all who gathered within these walls.

ALL: Blessing Be.
We entrust all that has been
into your care, O Holy One.

*"Nothing of wood or even stone is forever
But the heart that beat in it;
the soft intercessions
The fervent witness
The hope
Is not lost
It is in You, Holy One.
It is in You."*

- Poem credit: Rev. Catherine Smith. <https://hemofthelight.com/forever/>

One: And so we pray:

All: Blessing be...

One: ...upon all that has been, and is, and will continue to be.

All: Blessing be...

One: ...with us as we take leave from this building and place of worship.

All: Blessing be...

One: with the faith community who is to take ownership of this space.

**All: As we take leave we remember that the *Church*
- *the body of Christ* - blessed to love and serve -
continues to exist in the heart of each of us.**

One: And so we pray:

**All: Blessing be with us as we journey forth.
Blessing be upon our new partnership
and the vision of a Community Hub
where we will live out our calling
as your people of Visions United.**

One: In Loving Partnership we come,

All: Blessing be. Blessing be. Amen.

- Rev. Shawn Redden, April 25, 2019