

Skyline Church of Oakland

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Sunday, July 25, 2021 at 10am

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PASTOR	Laurie Manning
LITURGIST	Sheila Helms
MUSIC DIRECTOR	Gabrielle Lochard
HOST	Tom & Josh Manley

PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING

WELCOME & PASSING THE PEACE

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RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP Sheila
Acts of Thomas

Glory to You, merciful and tranquil.

All: Glory to You, wise word.

Glory to Your compassion that was born unto us.

Glory to Your mercy that was spread out over us.

Glory to Your greatness that was made small for us.

Glory to Your resurrection; for thereby rising and rest comes unto our souls.

You are the hidden light of understanding, pointing to the way of truth. Amen

RESPONSIVE PRAYER Sheila
Psalm 46, transl. Stephen Mitchell

God is our refuge and strength,

All: Our safety in times of trouble.

We are calm though the whole earth tremble

And the cliffs fall into the sea.

Our trust is in the unnamable,

The God who makes all things right.

OPENING HYMN

Skyline Songbook 7

Day by Day, tune: Stephen Schwartz

text: attr. Richard of Chichester

READING

Samuel 11: 1-15

When that time of year came around again, the anniversary of the Ammonite aggression, David dispatched Joab and his fighting men of Israel in full force to destroy the Ammonites for good. They laid siege to Rabbah, but David stayed in Jerusalem. 2-5 One late afternoon, David got up from taking his nap and was strolling on the roof of the palace. From his vantage point on the roof he saw a woman bathing. The woman was stunningly beautiful. David sent to ask about her, and was told, "Isn't this Bathsheba, daughter of Eliam and wife of Uriah the Hittite?" David sent his agents to get her. After she arrived, he went to bed with her. (This occurred during the time of "purification" following her period.) Then she returned home. Before long she realized she was pregnant. Later she sent word to David: "I'm pregnant." 6 David then got in touch with Joab: "Send Uriah the Hittite to me." Joab sent him. 7-8 When he arrived, David asked him for news from the front—how things were going with Joab and the troops and with the fighting. Then he said to Uriah, "Go home. Have a refreshing bath and a good night's rest." 8-9 After Uriah left the palace, an informant of the king was sent after him. But Uriah didn't go home. He slept that night at the palace entrance, along with the king's servants. 10 David was told that Uriah had not gone home. He asked Uriah, "Didn't you just come off a hard trip? So why didn't you go home?" 11 Uriah replied to David, "The Chest is out there with the fighting men of Israel and Judah—in tents. My master Joab and his servants are roughing it out in the fields. So, how can I go home and eat and drink and enjoy my wife? On your life, I'll not do it!" 12-13 "All right," said David, "have it your way. Stay for the day and I'll send you back tomorrow." So Uriah stayed in Jerusalem the rest of the day. The next day David invited him to eat and drink with him, and David got him drunk. But in the evening Uriah again went out and slept with his master's servants. He didn't go home. 14-15 In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab and sent it with Uriah. In the letter he wrote, "Put Uriah in the front lines where the fighting is the fiercest. Then pull back and leave him exposed so that he's sure to be killed."

MUSIC FOR PREPARATION *More Love*
Traditional Shaker, adapt. Gabrielle Lochard

SERMON *Another Perspective: #MeToo*

RESPONSE HYMN Skyline Songbook 12
Peace is Flowing Like a River
adapt. Carey Landry

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: Our Creator/Mother/Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kin-dom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kin-dom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

GIVING & RECEIVING OF GIFTS

Offerings will be received in the basket on the rear table, where envelopes are available. Checks can be made out to Skyline Community Church at 12540 Skyline Blvd, Oakland, 94619. Please add a memo if your offering is part of your annual pledge. The congregation is invited to use credit card, text-to-pay, or bank transfers with Stripe, through our member database skyline.churchtrac.com. Friends may make credit card contributions through Stripe at skylineucc.org/give (preferred) or at paypal.me/skylinechurch.

OFFERTORY *God's Eye is on the Sparrow*
tune: Charles H. Gabriel, text: Civilla D. Martin

OFFERTORY PRAYER

CLOSING SONG *Lean on Me* by Bill Withers

*All: Sometimes in our lives
We all have pain
We all have sorrow
But if we are wise
We know that there's
always tomorrow*
**Chorus: Lean on me
When you're not strong
And I'll be your friend
I'll help you carry on
For it won't be long
Till I'm gonna need
somebody to lean on**

*Please swallow your pride
If I have things
you need to borrow
For no one can fill
Those of your needs
that you won't let show*

**Bridge: You just call on me brother
when you need a hand
We all need somebody to lean on
I just might have a problem
that you'll understand
We all need somebody to lean on**

Chorus

Bridge

*If there is a load you have to bear
That you can't carry
I'm right up the road
I'll share your load
If you just call me
Call me (repeats)*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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OPENING HYMN

Sing 3 times Day by Day

Day by day, day by day,
O, dear Lord, three things I pray:
to see thee more clear - ly, love thee more dear - ly,
fol - low thee more near - ly, day by day.
day by day, by day, by day, by day.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of five systems of music. The first system is the opening line. The second system begins with a key signature change to one flat (B-flat major). The third system continues in B-flat major. The fourth system has a first ending bracket over the final two measures. The fifth system has a third ending bracket over the final three measures, with a 'ritard.' marking above the first measure of the ending. The piano accompaniment features block chords and moving bass lines.

Words Attr.: Richard of Chichester (13th Century), alt.
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RESPONSE HYMN

PEACE IS FLOWING LIKE A RIVER

Traditional; adapt. by Carey Landry



1, 5. Peace is flow-ing like a riv - er, flow - ing
2. Love is flow-ing like a riv - er, flow - ing
3. Heal - ing's flow-ing like a riv - er, flow - ing
4. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le -



1, 5. out of you and me. _____ Flow - ing out in - to the
2. out of you and me. _____ Flow - ing out in - to the
3. out of you and me. _____ Flow - ing out in - to the
4. lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



1, 5. des - ert, set - ting all the cap - tives free. _____
2. des - ert, set - ting all the cap - tives free. _____
3. des - ert, set - ting all the cap - tives free. _____
4. lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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