



July 5, 2026

## “PROPER 9 · YEAR A”

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**Land Acknowledgement:** We gather today on the unceded homelands of the Ohlone and the Chochoeny-speaking Ohlone peoples. Let us strive to honor all indigenous peoples by joining their efforts to pursue justice and care for this land.

**RINGING OF THE BELL:** Rod Repke

**PRELUDE & GATHERING SILENCE:**

“O Savior, Let Me Walk with You” (Instrumental)

Rob Finucane, piano

## WELCOME & PASSING THE PEACE

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If you are visiting this morning, we are so glad you are here! We hope you'll join us for friendship time after worship. Tell us about yourself or sign up for our mailing list by filling out a Virtual Connect Card.

### Responsive Call to Worship:

**Leader:** We come this morning the way Rebekah came to the well — not knowing yet what the day would ask of us.

**ALL:** We come carrying our jars, ready to be surprised by grace.

**Leader:** We come the way the weary come to Jesus — tired of performing, tired of being measured and found wanting.

**ALL:** We come carrying our burdens, hoping for a yoke that fits.

**Leader:** God does not ask us to be the wise or the clever this morning.

**ALL:** God asks only that we come as we are — thirsty, willing, open to the road ahead.

**Leader:** So let us worship the God who meets us at the well, and walks beside us on the way.

**ALL:** Thanks be to God, our Creator and Sustainer. Amen.

### Opening Hymn:

“Come, O Fount of Every Blessing” (NCH #459)  
(verses 1 and 2)

### UNISON PRAYER:

Gracious God, you do not hand us a finished map for this life — you hand us a covenant, and trust us to walk it out with open eyes. Like your servant at the well, give us the patience to wait, watch, and recognize you when you arrive in ordinary disguise: in a stranger's kindness, in water offered freely, in a road we did not choose but came to love. And when the road grows long, when we have wailed and no one mourned with us, when we have played the flute and no one danced — meet us as Jesus meets the weary: not

with another burden, but with an easier yoke, and rest for our souls. Loosen what is rigid in us. Steady what is afraid in us. Make us, this hour, a people capable of being surprised by you. Amen.

### Music for Preparation:

“We Are Your People” — Brian Wren

*Edward Nunoo, bass • Rob Finucane, piano*

### Readings:

[Genesis 24:34–38, 42–49, 58–67](#)

[Matthew 11:16–19, 25–30](#)

### SERMON: “PROPER 9 · YEAR A”

Sue Ann Yarbrough

### Sermon Response

“O Savior, Let Me Walk with You” (NCH #503)  
(verses 1 and 4)

### PRAYERS AND GRATITUDES:

Joys and concerns from the congregation.

[\(Tree of Life\)](#)

### THE LORD’S PRAYER

### OFFERING:

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### OFFERTORY HYMN:

“Let Us Hope When Hope Seems Hopeless” —  
Emma Lou Diemer & David Beebe

*Edward Nunoo, bass • Rob Finucane, piano*

### COMMUNION:

All are welcome to participate at the table of grace.

• *Usher Sheila Helms*

### Communion Music

“What Is This Place?” (Skyline Songbook #25)

*Edward Nunoo, bass • Rob Finucane, piano*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS: [skylineucc.org/news](https://skylineucc.org/news)

*Please see full announcements in this bulletin*

### CLOSING HYMN:

*As we mark this Independence Day weekend—*

“This Is My Song” (NCH #591)

(both verses)

### BENEDICTION:

Go now, not as the wise who must have it all figured out, but as the weary who have learned to receive rest. Go like Rebekah, willing to say “I will” before you know the whole of the road. Go like those who have found that the yoke fits, after all — not because it asks nothing of you, but because love is carrying the other end. And may the God who meets you at the well, walk with you in the field, and rest with you under the yoke, go with you now and always. Amen.

### POSTLUDE:

“This Is My Song” (*Meditative Instrumental*)

*Rob Finucane, piano*

**All are welcome in the Skyline Friendship Room after worship, for refreshment and conversation.**

## 'Ways to Stay Connected:

**Weekly Gatherings On Zoom:** <https://zoom.us/j/716026467> - will resume in August

- Tuesdays @ 10:30 AM – Bible Study (Leader: Pastor Laurie ) **Paused during July**  
<https://skylineucc.org/online-bible-study/>
- Thursdays @ 1:00 PM – Prayer and Care Group (Leader: Pastor Laurie) **Paused during July**

### **In-Person:**

- Sundays @ 8:45 AM – Choir Practice (**now on summer break**)

### **Regular Meetings**

- Third Thursdays @ 6:00 PM – Council Meeting on Zoom

## **Special Events – Mark Your Calendars**

Date	Event	Location
Fri July 12 Potluck 6 pm - Film 7 pm	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Join us every 2nd Friday for Film Night!</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Friday, July 10 movie: "Train Dreams"</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Starring Joel Edgerton, this beautiful film is a moving portrait of Robert Grainier, a logger and railroad worker who leads a life of unexpected depth and beauty in the rapidly-changing America of the early 20th Century.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Nominated for 4 Academy Awards, including Best Picture.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">For more information see <a href="#">Train Dreams on Wikipedia</a></p>	Friendship Room
Fri July 19	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Immigrant Family Assistance Program</b></p> <p>Skyline will be providing food assistance to a family (Amanda and her two children!) from Guatemala whose primary bread-winner was either deported or is in detention. We will take food to them every 3rd Friday. This month it is on July 17th. Jim Schubert speaks Spanish and has volunteered to interpret.</p> <p><b>Folks are needed to sign up</b> to participate, which involves taking food to Amanda and her family on the third Fridays. Nancy Taylor will support you through this process! Jim Schubert will go with you!</p>	<b>See Nancy Taylor or Jim Schubert for details</b>

# A THANK YOU TO OUR JUNE & JULY VOLUNTEERS!

Email [office@skylineucc.org](mailto:office@skylineucc.org) [VolunteerSchedule 2025-202](#)

DATE	LITURGIST	GREETER	USHER	Zoom Host	HOSPITALITY (food & drink)	Guest Preacher
7/5/2026	Carolyn Catanzaro	Carolyn Noble	Sheila Helms	Sophie Johnson	Carolyn Noble	Rev Sue Ann Yarbrough
7/12/2026	Jim Schubert	Carolyn Noble	Sheila Helms	Sophie?	Jim Schubert	Rev Sue Ann Yarbrough
7/19/2026	Mona Sillers	Carolyn Noble	Sheila Helms	Abby Givler	Carolyn Noble	Rev Janice Steele
7/26/2026	Carolyn Noble	Carolyn Noble	Sheila Helms	Abby Givler	OPEN	Dr. Rev Toni Dunbar

## July Guest preachers:

(Pastor Laurie away July 5 - Aug 1, Pastor Laurie preaching Aug 2)

Sun, July 5 and 12 Rev Sue Ann Yarbrough,

Sunday July 19 Rev Dr Toni Dunbar,

Sun, July 26 Rev Janice Steele

Pastoral care coverage during July:

Rev Sue Ann Yarbrough, (510) 579-1298 or Pastor Laurie (510) 972-4868

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- MEDIA 🎬
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