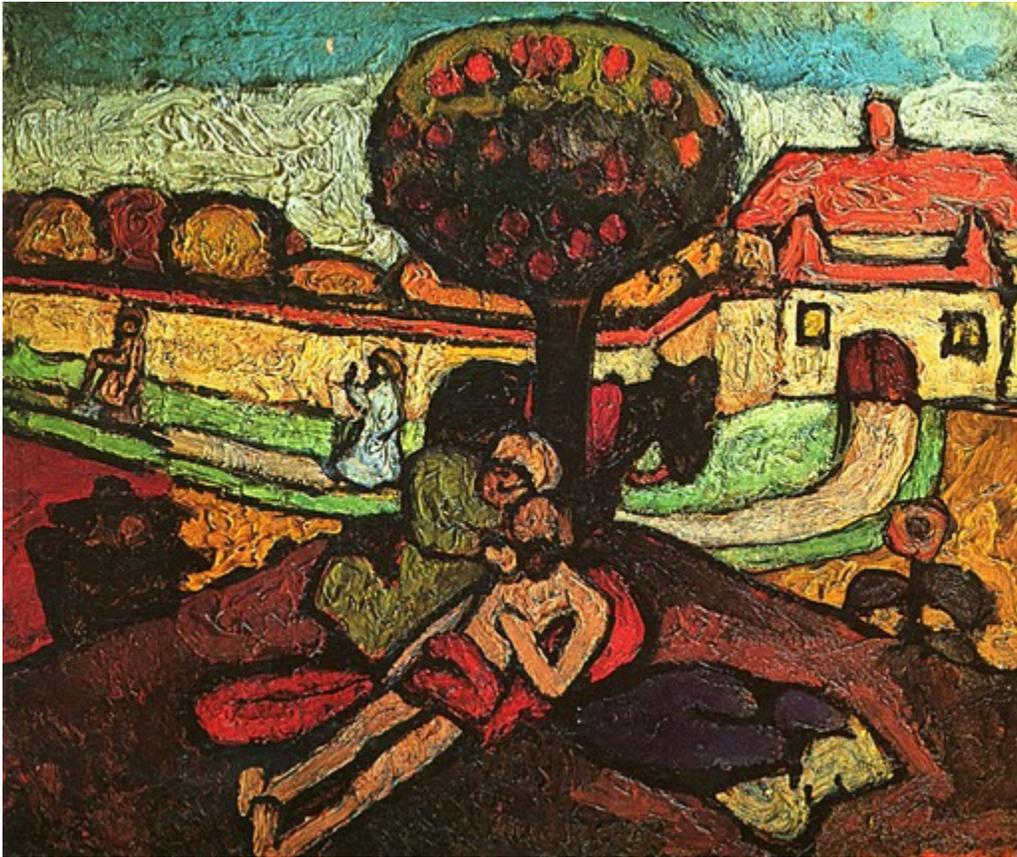


Skyland Community Church, UCC



Good Samaritan, Modersohn-Becker, Paula, 1876-1907.

Sunday Morning Worship July 18, 2021

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Connect with Skyland Community Church

Worship Service: Sunday 10:30 am

Open Communion: 1st Sunday of each month

Thursdays Bible Study (Zoom)

8:45 (Bible Basics) and 9:45 am (Sunday's text)

Thursdays Community Check-In (Zoom) 4:00-5:00

See website or weekly email for Zoom links.

PRELUDE and CENTERING MOMENT

WORDS OF WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP *(from Ministry Matters)*

One: The world cries to us in its distress. How shall we answer?

All: We cannot pass by as though nothing is wrong.

One: How shall we answer?

All: We cannot be so focused on ourselves that others mean nothing to us.

One: How shall we answer?

All: We shall be the neighbor in service, reconciliation and compassion wherever we can. In Jesus' name. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

#12 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

*UNISON PRAYER

Lord of justice and mercy, we come to you this day seeking your healing and reconciling love. Help us to be open to your word, your presence, your compassion. Clear our hearts of those things which block your will. Keep us focused on your enabling power so that we, having been healed, may more fully serve you. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

MESSAGE FOR ALL AGES

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 10:25-37

SERMON

“Good Neighbors”

Rev. Melanie Weiner

MOMENT FOR REFLECTION

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

#498 Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

We will not be passing plates, but you may give to Skyland by sending a check, setting up payment with your financial institution, or on our church website at skylandchurch.com/donations.

* DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, the Source of life and birth;
Praise God, the Word who came to earth;
Praise God, the Spirit, holy flame;
All glory, honor to God's name. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Loving God, it is with gratitude that we return these gifts that came first from you. Grant us wisdom, compassion, and generosity that we may use these gifts to be good neighbors to your people and good stewards of your creation. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Creator (Father, Mother, God,...) who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

#76 Sent Forth By God's Blessing

*BENEDICTION and CHORAL BENEDICTION