

sobriety
lament
resurrection

A Lenten Journey
with FCC Tacoma

“Getting Sober”

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**Please stand if you are able*

Gathering Music

Welcome

Rev. Doug Collins

Prelude

Insert

Lean on Me

Sometimes in our lives
We all have pain, we all have sorrow
But if we are wise,
We know that there's always tomorrow

Refrain:

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

Refrain

You Just call on me, brother, when you need a
hand
We all need somebody to lean on.
I just much have a problem that you'll
understand
We all need somebody to lean on.

Refrain

You Just call on me, brother, when you need a hand

We all need somebody to lean on.

I just much have a problem that you'll understand

We all need somebody to lean on.

Refrain

Call to Worship

John Unterreiner

*Opening Hymn

CH 49

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

A Time for Prayer

Pastor Doug

As we continue our time of prayer, you're invited to make your way to one of the prayer stations to light a candle, symbolizing the prayers you wish to lift to God. See the bulletin insert for information about today's musical meditation, inspired by the journeys of sobriety, lament and resurrection as expressed in the Psalms

Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

*¹ You who live in the shelter of the Most High,
who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,^[a]*

*² will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress;
my God, in whom I trust."*

*⁹ Because you have made the Lord your refuge,^[a]
the Most High your dwelling place,*

¹⁰ no evil shall befall you,

no scourge come near your tent.

*¹¹ For he will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.*

*12 On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.*

*13 You will tread on the lion and the adder,
the young lion and the serpent you will trample
under foot.*

*14 Those who love me, I will deliver;
I will protect those who know my name.*

*15 When they call to me, I will answer them;
I will be with them in trouble,
I will rescue them and honor them.*

*16 With long life I will satisfy them,
and show them my salvation.*

The Lone Wild Bird

Insert

The lone, wild bird in lofty flight
Is still with Tee, nor leaves Thy sight
And I am Thine! I rest in Thee.
Great Spirit, come, and rest in me.

The ends of earth are in Thy hand,
The sea's dark deep and far off land.
And I am Thine! I rest in Thee.
Great Spirit, come, and rest in me.

Community Prayer

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer

From the New Zealand Prayer Book

Find this week's responsive prayer insert in your pew.

Scripture Reading

John Unterreiner

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

When you have come into the land that
the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to

possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, ² you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. ³ You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." ⁴ When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, ⁵ you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. ⁶ When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, ⁷ we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. ⁸ The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; ⁹ and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰ So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. ¹¹ Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

The Word of God for the people of God.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Pastor Doug

**“Sobriety, Lament, Resurrection:
Getting Sober”**

I Want Jesus to Walk With Me

FCC Trio

Call to Offering & Prayer of Thanksgiving

There are many ways to contribute to the work of the Realm of God on earth. As a spiritual community, we recognize the unique role and gifts each one of us bring to the table for the work God is calling us to do together. Those who feel so called to give financially can do so by placing an offering in one of the trays located in the back of the sanctuary at the conclusion of today's service, or by giving online by visiting: www.fcctacoma.org/give.

Communion Hymn

CH 414

Eat This Bread

Sharing God's Feast

communion prayer

musical meditation

***Closing Hymn**

CH 557

Just a Closer Walk With Thee

Benediction

Dismissal & Postlude

FCC Trio

Lean On Me

Worshippers are asked to refrain from congregating indoors.
We look forward to catching up in the courtyard.

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