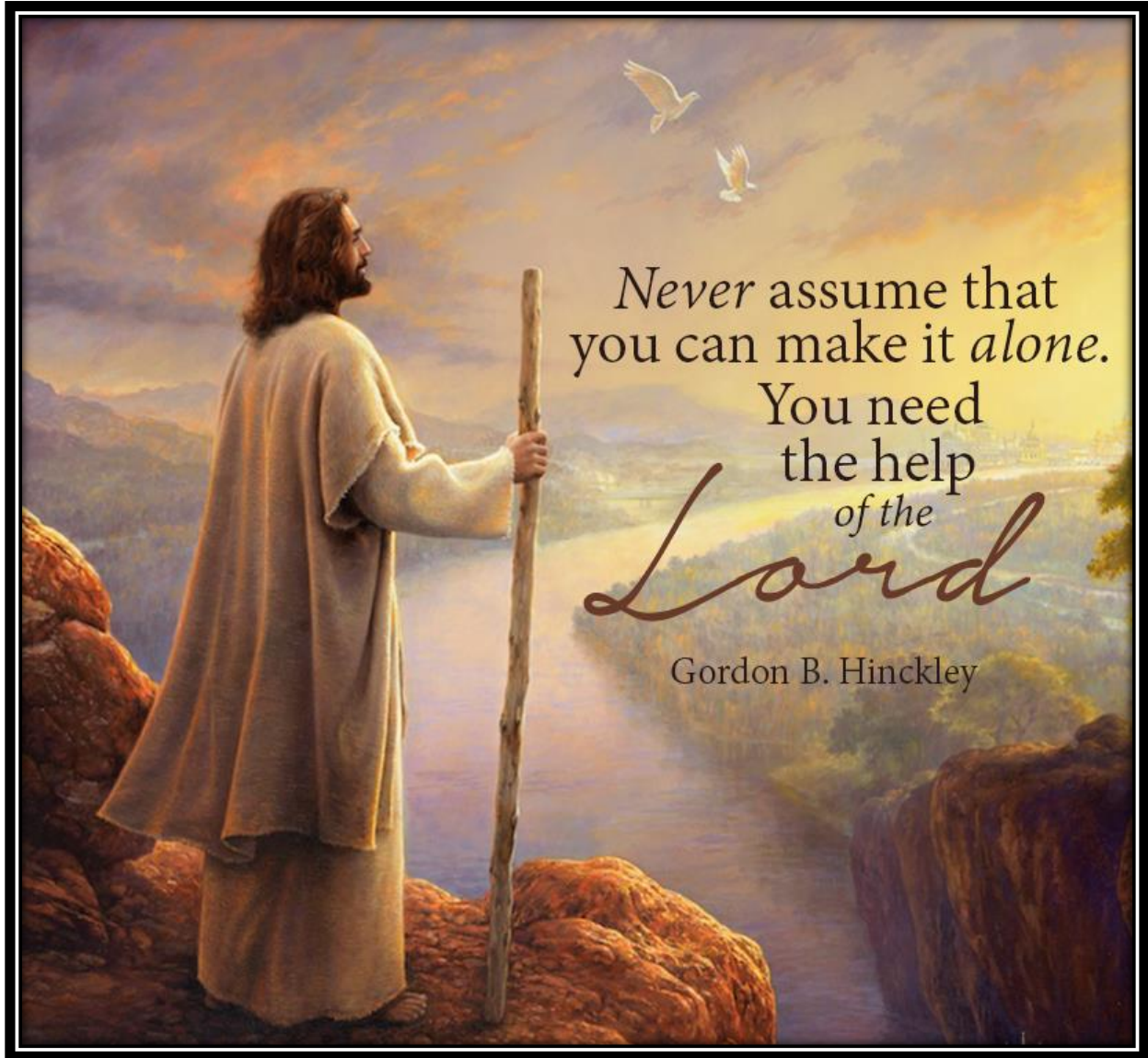


The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

Skyline Ward

August 15, 2021



Serve the LORD with [gladness](#): come before his presence with [singing](#).

Know ye that the LORD he *is* God: *it is* he *that* hath [made](#) us, and not we ourselves; *we are* his people, and the [sheep](#) of his pasture.

Enter into his gates with [thanksgiving](#), *and* into his [courts](#) with praise: be thankful unto him, *and* bless his name.

For the LORD *is* good; his mercy *is* everlasting; and his truth *endureth* to all generations.

Psalms 100: 2-5

Welcome and Announcements

<i>Presiding:</i>	<i>Bishop Beau Keenan</i>
<i>Conducting:</i>	<i>Brother Kyle Sipherd</i>
<i>Opening Hymn:</i>	<i>#241 “Count Your Blessings”</i>
<i>Invocation:</i>	<i>T.B.A.</i>
<i>Ward Business:</i>	<i>T.B.A.</i>
<i>Sacrament Hymn:</i>	<i>#169 “Now As We Take The Sacrament”</i>

Passing of the Sacrament

<i>Speakers:</i>	<i>Sister Alaire Tambo</i>
<i>High Counsel Speaker:</i>	<i>Brother Gonda</i>
<i>Closing Hymn:</i>	<i># 98“I Need Thee Every Hour”</i>
<i>Benediction:</i>	<i>T.B.A.</i>

Be sure to use the ward website for the latest announcements:

<https://renonvstakeinfo.org/>

Summer Service Ideas

St. Francis of Assisi Food Pantry 160 Hubbard Way, Suite F

St. Francis serves the residents in their area who just aren't making ends meet. The Bishops Storehouse donates canned food and produce. The missionaries help at the pantry once a week. St. Francis has started the “Senior Golden Groceries Hour” on Thursdays 11 to 12 noon.

St. Francis needs more VOLUNTEERS right now. St. Francis has lost volunteers due to age and covid. You can volunteer by:

- 1) Helping bag the food items for the seniors on Wednesdays from 12:30-3:00 pm.
- 2) Assisting the seniors as they receive their bagged items and add additional items as needed on Thursdays from 9:30 am to 12 noon.
- 3) Helping unload food delivery trucks on Monday mornings between 9:00 am and 1:00 pm. Deliveries begin at 8:30 am.

There is no definite time period required to help. Come when you can during the times listed above. Your help will be appreciated! Contact Cindy Becher, director, with questions at 775 507-4755 or just arrive!



Often our grief is caused by what seems to us as an ending. Some are facing the end of a cherished relationship, such as the death of a loved one or estrangement from a family member. Others feel they are facing the end of hope—the hope of being married or bearing children or overcoming an illness. Others may be facing the end of their faith, as confusing and conflicting voices in the world tempt them to question, even abandon, what they once knew to be true.

Sooner or later, all of us experience times when the very fabric of our world tears at the seams, leaving us feeling alone, frustrated, and adrift.

It can happen to anyone. No one is immune. There is one thing we can do to make life sweeter, more joyful, even glorious. We can be grateful!

It might sound contrary to the wisdom of the world to suggest that one who is burdened with sorrow should give thanks to God. But those who set aside the bottle of bitterness and lift instead the goblet of gratitude can find a purifying drink of healing, peace, and understanding.

As disciples of Christ, we are commanded to “thank the Lord [our] God in all things,” to “sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving,” and to “let [our] heart be full of thanks unto God.” Why does God command us to be grateful?

All of His commandments are given to make blessings available to us. Commandments are opportunities to exercise our agency and to receive blessings. Our loving Heavenly Father knows that choosing to develop a spirit of gratitude will bring us true joy and great happiness.

It is easy to be grateful *for* things when life seems to be going our way. But what then of those times when what we wish for seems to be far out of reach? Could I suggest that we see gratitude as a disposition, a way of life that stands independent of our current situation? In other words, I’m suggesting that instead of being thankful *for* things, we focus on being thankful *in* our circumstances—whatever they may be.

We can choose to limit our gratitude, based on the blessings we feel we lack. We can choose to be like Job, who seemed to have everything but then lost it all. Yet Job responded by saying, “Naked came I out of my mother’s womb, and naked shall I return ... : the Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.”

We can choose to be grateful, no matter what.

By President Dieter F. Uchtdorf, *Second Counselor in the First Presidency*

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