

SOUTHSIDE FELLOWSHIP

Creating brave spaces that nurture and inspire the human spirit

The Beatitudes: What could the world be like?

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Our lives are a wondrous mixture of both well and woe. We are fragmented in so many ways that we hardly know where to turn for comfort. So we cultivate our intention, as best we can, and wait for God. In goodness, God opens the eye of our understanding so that we have insight, sometimes more and sometimes less, as God gives us the ability to receive. Julian of Norwich

GATHERING

Welcome

Centering music

Call to Worship from Matthew 5:1

Leader: When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain and sat down. His followers came, and Jesus taught them.

ALL: We are gathered here as your disciples to learn from you, Jesus. Teach us the way. Come Holy Spirit.

Hymn Today Earth is Singing **VT 510**

Passing of the Peace

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

Scripture The Beatitudes **VT 295**

A Time for All God's Children

Offering

The Poet's Word *The Beatitudes in a Time of Climate Crisis*

Sermon *Tragedy and Hope* David Moser

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Hymn What Is the World Like **VT 298**

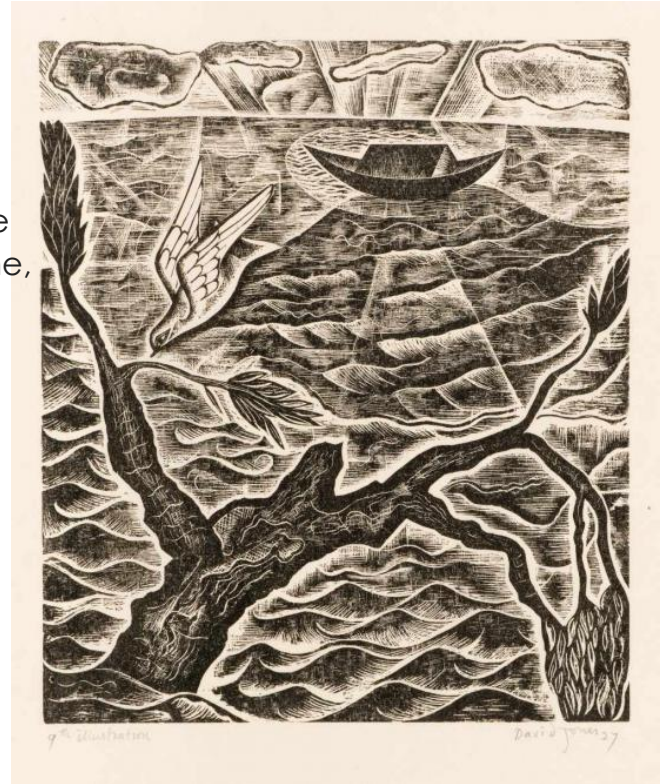
Sharing our lives and our prayers

Praying in the Way of Jesus

THE WORD IN THE WORLD

Hymn A wonderful Savior is Jesus **VT 626**

Benediction *The Motorcyclist's Beatitudes*



David Jones, C.H. (1895-1974)
Covenant with Noah. 1926-27
Wood engraving.

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