# SOUTHSIDE FELLOWSHIP

Creating brave spaces that nurture and inspire the human spirit

*Poetic Justice* 

September 3rd, 2023

People speak of hope as if it is this delicate, ephemeral thing made of whispers and spider's webs. It's not. Hope has dirt on her face, blood on her knuckles, the grit of the cobblestones in her hair, and just spat out a tooth as she rises for another go. ~ Matthew <u>@CrowsFault</u>

Peace is not the absence of conflict but the presence of creative alternatives for responding to conflict alternatives to passive or aggressive responses, alternatives to violence. ~ Dorothy Thompson

#### **GATHERING**

Welcome

Centering music

Call to Worship on the back

Hymn God is Here Among Us VT 62 (v.1&2)

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

#### The Poet's Word

### Offering

Passing the Peace Bless, O Christ, our eyes, May all our eyes see be blessed with peace.

# A Time for All God's Children

Hymn With Mary Sing Magnificat VT 208

Scripture 1 Samuel 25

Sermon Hebrew Karma David Moser

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Hymn Put Peace Into Each Other's Hands VT 485

Sharing our lives and our prayers

# Praying in the Way of Jesus

# THE WORD IN THE WORLD

Hymn Go Ye Now in Peace VT 839

**Benediction** 



Scott Erickson, Swords into Plowshares

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