

SOUTHSIDE FELLOWSHIP

Creating brave spaces that nurture and inspire the human spirit

Ephesians: Unity & Love

October 13th, 2024

Your heart is the real compass of your life...Purity of heart is the gift that guides you, leads you, shepherds you from one end of life to the other,,, ~ Benedictine Sister Joan Chittister

GATHERING

Welcome

Centering music

Call to Worship based on Ephesians 1:2-3

Leader: Grace and peace to you from God and Jesus Christ!
Let us praise our God and Jesus Christ
who blesses us through Christ with every spiritual gift
that comes down from heaven.

We gather around you today, O Christ.

People: *Teach us, feed us, hear us, heal us.*

**All: *Draw us together as one.
Grant us your peace. Amen.***

Hymn

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

The Poet's Word *I am hardly an ornithologist*
by Wendell Berry

A Time for All God's Children

Hymn

Scripture Ephesians 1:1-14

Sermon *Set Free to Fly* David Moser

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Theme Hymn *Heart With Loving Heart United* **VT 813**

Offering

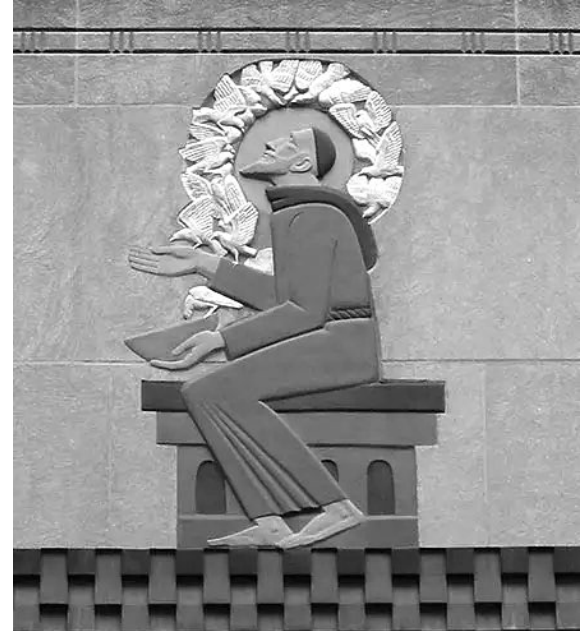
Sharing our lives and our prayers

Praying in the Way of Jesus

THE WORD IN THE WORLD

Hymn

Benediction



Saint Francis of Assisi with Birds
Lee Lawrie with colorist Leon V. Solon
American, born Germany. 1877 - 1963

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*Southside Fellowship is an inclusive Anabaptist/Mennonite congregation that understands faith as a journey. At the core of our community is the boundless love of God, the justice-centered life of Jesus, and the mystery of the Spirit. We welcome all people to join us, including those who have been excluded elsewhere because of gender identity, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, ability, economic status, marital status, age, or religious uncertainty.*

At Southside Fellowship we explore the questions, "Who is God?" and "How shall we live?" Rooted in Anabaptist-Mennonite tradition, we engage the Biblical story, seeking its relevance to personal and social transformation. We care for one another, collectively renewing our spirits for the daily work of creating a more just, beautiful, and sustainable world.

### Praying in the Way of Jesus

Our Mother and Father in heaven  
Hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come  
Your will be done  
On earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive  
Those who have sinned against us  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.  
For yours is the kingdom, the power  
And the glory, forever and ever.  
Amen.

### Theme Hymn

#### ***Heart With Loving Heart United VT 813***

Alternate text for verse 1:

*Heart with loving heart united,  
met to know God's holy will.*

*Let this love, in us ignited,  
more and more our spirits fill.*

*Christ the head, we are all members,  
we reflect the light of God.*

*Christ our master, we disciples,  
he is ours and we are his.*

#### **HEARING ASSIST DEVICES are available.**

Please ask at the sound booth.

**Large print hymnals are available**  
at the greeters stand (2 copies).

**Gender neutral restrooms are downstairs.**

### Today ~ Sunday, October 13

**Open/Close:** Arlen Epp

**Worship Leader:** Rick Stiffney

**Reflection/Sermon:** David Moser

**Greeters:** Sara & Henry Braun

**Centering & Offertory:** Amy Huser

**Song Leader:** Ryan Miller

**Visuals:** Arlen Epp

**Readers:** Joan Miller & Lucas Miller

**Childcare downstairs: needed**

**Sound/AV:** Mark Goertzen

**ZOOM tech:** Renee Springer

**Coffee/Drink: needed**

**Snack:** Leah Landes

### Next Sunday, October 20

**Open/Close:** Arlen Epp

**Worship Leader:** Kendra Yoder

**Reflection/Sermon:** David Moser

**Greeters:** Kaijsa Herrstrom & Shirley Souder

**Centering & Offertory:** Ryan Miller

**Song Leader:** Suzanne Ehst

**Visuals:** Connie Warkentin

**Readers:** Pat & Woody Shoemaker

**Childcare: needed**

**Sound/AV:** Ramiro Columna

**ZOOM tech:** Greta Miller

**Coffee/Drink:** Suzanne Ehst

**Snack:** Kaijsa Herrstrom

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