

SOUTHSIDE FELLOWSHIP

Creating brave spaces that nurture and inspire the human spirit

Lent 3: Standing Up and Stepping Back

March 8th, 2026

“Lord, why can I not follow you now? I will lay down my life for you.”
Peter (John 13:37)

GATHERING

Welcome

Centering music

Call to Worship

Leader: Confident, hesitant, maybe just tired.

All: We come to worship.

Leader: Wanting to follow, but not always sure how.
We fall short.

All: We come to worship.

Leader: Seeking, hurting, longing, needing.

All: We come to worship.

Leader: When hopes are dashed, and the world is not right.

**All: We come to worship.
Come, Jesus. Come and meet us here.**

Hymn *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* **VT 156**

A Time for All God's Children

HEARING TO THE WORD

Scripture The Wisdom of Solomon 2:12-20

Hymn *Kyrie eleison* **VT 147**

Scripture John 18 1b-3. 12-27

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Sermon “Ask those who heard what I said” *David Moser*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Hymn *Let this mind be in you,* **VT 572**

THE WORD IN THE WORLD

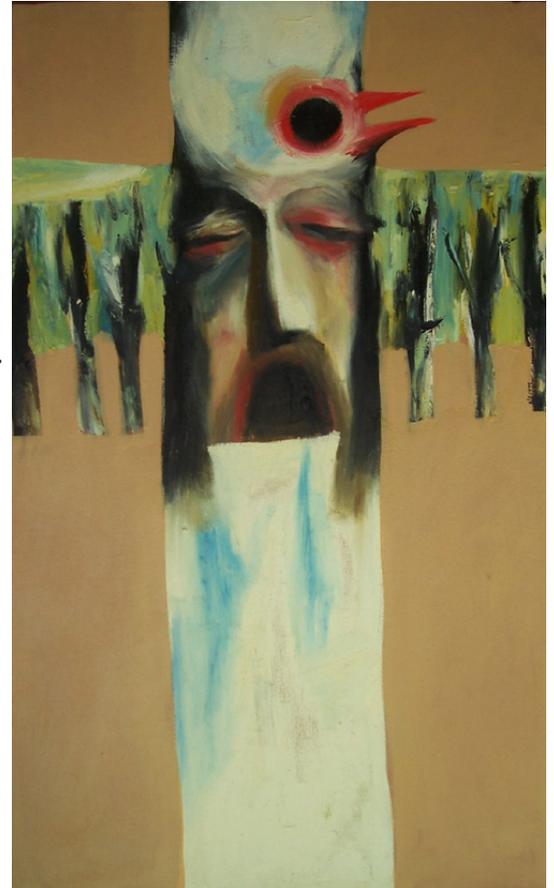
Offering

Sharing our lives and our prayers

Prayer

Hymn *We Will Follow (Somlandela)* **VT 566**

Benediction



Nathan Simpson (Australian, 1973–),
Agony in the Garden, 1999.
Oil on canvas.

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