

# February 28, 2022 Daily Church Email

*I No Longer Pray For Peace*  
By Ann Weems

On the edge of war, one foot already in,  
I no longer pray for peace:  
I pray for miracles.  
I pray that stone hearts will turn  
to tenderheartedness,  
and evil intentions will turn  
to mercifulness,  
and all the soldiers already deployed  
will be snatched out of harm's way,  
and the whole world will be  
astounded onto its knees.  
I pray that all the "God talk"  
will take bones,  
and stand up and shed  
its cloak of faithlessness,  
and walk again in its powerful truth.  
I pray that the whole world might  
sit down together and share  
its bread and its wine.  
Some say there is no hope,  
but then I've always applauded the holy fools  
who never seem to give up on  
the scandalousness of our faith:  
that we are loved by God.....  
that we can truly love one another.  
I no longer pray for peace:  
I pray for miracles.

Have a blessed day in Christ,  
Pastor Julie

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