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## st. francis' prayer

*r e v i s i t e d*  
for my neighborhood

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Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

Make me an instrument of your peace in (what's your neighborhood/town?):

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Where there is hatred, let me sow love,

Where in your neighborhood is there hatred, what might love look like?

(eg: Where housed neighbors wish unhoused neighbors were not around: let us invite relationship between them.)

**Hatred:**

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**Love:**

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Where there is injury, pardon

Where in your neighborhood is injury, what might pardon look like?

(eg: When a neighbor is trying to love but losing capacity after tagged property, hypodermic needles in the streets, and overdoses in the neighborhood: let us be both an empathetic and reconciling presence.)

**Injury:**

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**Pardon:**

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Where there is doubt, faith,

Where in your neighborhood is their doubt, what might faith look like?

(eg: For neighbors whose faith was injured in the decomposition of Mars Hill: let us provide a safe place to explore faith anew.)

**Doubt:**

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**Faith:**

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Where there is despair, hope,

Where in your neighborhood is despair, what might hope look like?

(eg: For neighbors experiencing addiction: let us listen in a way that conjures hope that change is possible.)

**Despair:**

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**Hope:**

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Where there is darkness, light,

Where in your neighborhood is there darkness, what might light look like?

(eg: For those released from the county jail at midnight: let us be a friendly face and a way to get home.)

**Darkness:**

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**Light:**

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Where there is sadness, joy.

Where in your neighborhood is there sadness, what might joy look like?

(eg: In the closed off gazebo of Clark Park, still harboring the painful memory of murder 60 years later, let us participate in the return of music and laughter.)

**Sadness:**

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**Joy:**

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