



Pray

By Jeremy Schmall

Sitting down to write poetry
is like being eight or nine
again wearing a shiny new pair
of shoes early in the morning
on the first day of summer
with the sun just coming up
as you kneel by your bed
and pray to a God
you believe in like breakfast.

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Though generally affable, his recent mistrial robbed thousands of their only hope for retribution.