



Order of Worship
March 3, 2024
Livestream 10:15 AM

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

1300 E Aloha St

Worship 10:15 AM

Live stream found on

Grace Church Seattle's

[YouTube](#)

WORSHIP SERVICE

10:15 AM

Nursery: (6 months to 2yrs)

Room 118

(children may be picked up at the end of the worship service)

Preschool: (3yrs to 5yrs) Room

120 (children are picked up

during *offering*)

Worship Prep Class: (Kinder to

3rd grade) Room 119

(children are picked up during *passing of the peace*) No class

5th Sundays of the month.

Infant Room

Priority for nursing moms.

Back of Sanctuary, west side.

Family Room

Chapel (Livestream Viewing)

Lap desks, color pencils,

activity pages are found in

foyer

Parents, please note our Diocese requires minors never be unaccompanied during church events including Sunday morning worship.

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LENT 2024

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry.

Luke 4:1-2

Throughout the centuries, Christians from all over the world in various traditions have looked to the church calendar to help them grow as disciples of Jesus. Patterned after the life, ministry, suffering, death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus, the church calendar is a wonderful and time-tested tool that can help us grow in profound ways.

This year, we are paying special attention to the successive seasons of Lent, Holy Week, and Eastertide. Beginning on Ash Wednesday (February 14) and culminating on Pentecost Sunday (May 19), these three seasons span nearly 100 days.

We will start our journey with Lent—the six-week season preceding Easter Sunday.

Historically, Lent is a time when Christians follow in Jesus' footsteps during his withdrawal into the desert wilderness for 40 days to fast and pray.

As Jesus' followers, we desire for Him to be our first Love. The wisdom of the season of Lent is that through our acts of fasting, prayer, and alms-giving we are turning our focus back to Christ.

To use an agricultural metaphor, Lent is a season of preparing the ground to receive the good seed of the gospel. Lent is hard work, similar to plowing up the hard ground in late winter and early spring. During Lent, we voluntarily disrupt our lives through ancient spiritual disciplines so that we might better prepare ourselves for our Easter celebration, where we enter into new life in Christ.

So, we invite you to join us during the Lenten season as we journey towards Easter and the Risen Christ. May the Lord bless you and surprise you during this time!

Let us worship!

REFLECTION QUOTES

This then is what the Lord thinks of pretense; this is how He reacts to it; this is His judgment upon it. The essence of the pretense is the throwing of a cloak of religion over a life motivated toward self.

J. Alec Motyer

Time to make a change
Leave your home
Give to the poor all that you own
Lose your life, so that you could find it
First will be last when the true world comes
Livin' like a humble fool to overcome
The upside-down wisdom
Of a dying world

Josh Garrels

Liturgical Colors: Liturgical colors can orient us to the season of the church year and help to engage our sense of sight in worship.

Purple is the color of Lent representing penitence and preparation. It signifies the feeling of sorrow for our sins in the light of Christ's passion and death.

The small symbols you will see throughout these pages correspond to a "Key to Liturgy" [available here](#) or printed and found in the lobby at the Grace Kids Table. .

Prayer by
ACNA BCP

The Acclamation, similar to a greeting, is a way we welcome each other into this holy space and time. It prepares us for the hearing and responding to God. Our liturgy can be thought of as a conversation between each other and God. Conversations require both hearing a responding. The Acclamation prepares us for the hearing and responding to God.

ACNA Book of Common Prayer,
2019



THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Lent is the six-week period leading up to Easter Sunday and is an annual gift to us. During Lent, we take time to pause, assess our spiritual health, and make small changes in our daily rhythms to help us walk more closely with the Lord.

Here is a helpful prayer for the season:

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations, and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME *Seated*

PRELUDE

THE ACCLAMATION *Stand if able*

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
His mercy endures for ever. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Romans 11:33-36

Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable his judgments,
and his paths beyond tracing out!

**"Who has known the mind of the Lord?
Or who has been his counselor?"**

"Who has ever given to God,
that God should repay them?"

**For from him and through him and for him are all things.
To him be the glory forever! Amen.**

Greatly To Be Praised

1. Sing to the Lord a new song; lift up his name, with
 2. Lift up your voice and thank him; our God pro - vides our
 3. Shout to the God of tri - umph; let ev - ery tongue pro -

joy - ful praise. Sing of his sweet sal - va - tion;
 ev - ery need. Wor - ship the God of mer - cy,
 claim his praise. Boast in the res - ur - rect - ion;

1. 4
 morn - ing to night and day to day.
 who gave his life to
 in Je - sus Christ, who

2. 3. 8 (Chorus 2x at end)
 set us free. Our God is great - ly to be praised, - no - thing in
 rules and reigns.
 all the earth com - pares - to him. The God of glo - ry and of grace;

1. 4
 our God is great, our God is great!

2. 4
 our God is great, our God is great! Cre
 a - tion joins to praise him, the sin - ner finds sal - va - tion.
 The church of Christ pro - claims it, his
 king - dom shouts by sing - ing: [to Chorus 2x]
 D.S.
 Our God is great, our God is great! Our God is

Brian Eichelberger and Zach
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LENTEN COLLECT FOR PURITY

Jesus of the wilderness,
we are a people whose hearts are cluttered
and overgrown with distraction.
By your generative and gentle hand,
prune our unspoken commitment to self-numbing,
re-wild in us an imagination of devotion,
that we, like you in the desert,
may journey with courage into the sacredness of silence,
stillness and solitude.
Through Christ our companion, amen.

A collect is a prayer that is intended to collect or sum up the prayers of the community, typically following a four-fold pattern: invocation, meditation, petition, and doxology. The Collect for Purity helps us to hear God's word and worship by reminding us that we are laid bare when we come before him. He sees and knows all that we are and all that we bring to him.

Gabriel St. John, 2024

We come to God that we might be shaped and formed by his Word.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

Seated

LECTIO SACRA

New Testament Reading

Romans 7:12-25

So then, the law is holy, and the commandment is holy, righteous and good. Did that which is good, then, become death to me? By no means! Nevertheless, in order that sin might be recognized as sin, it used what is good to bring about my death, so that through the commandment sin might become utterly sinful.

We know that the law is spiritual; but I am unspiritual, sold as a slave to sin. I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do. And if I do what I do not want to do, I agree that the law is good. As it is, it is no longer I myself who do it, but it is sin living in me. For I know that good itself does not dwell in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out. For I do not do the good I want to do, but the evil I do not want to do—this I keep on doing. Now if I do what I do not want to do, it is no longer I who do it, but it is sin living in me that does it.

So I find this law at work: Although I want to do good, evil is right there with me. For in my inner being I delight in God's law; but I see another law at work in me, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within me. What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body that is subject to death? Thanks be to God, who delivers me through Jesus Christ our Lord!

So then, I myself in my mind am a slave to God's law, but in my sinful nature a slave to the law of sin.

Gospel Reading

John 2:13-22

When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple courts he found people selling cattle, sheep and doves, and others sitting at tables exchanging money. So he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple courts, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. To those who sold doves he said, "Get these out of here! Stop turning my Father's house into a market!" His disciples remembered that it is written: "Zeal for your house will consume me."

The Jews then responded to him, "What sign can you show us to prove your authority to do all this?"

Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days."

"Lectio Sacra" means "sacred reading." It has been the practice of the church for thousands of years to have portions of the bible read during worship services. The assumption behind this practice is that we are people who need to be shaped by all of God's word.

They replied, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and you are going to raise it in three days?" But the temple he had spoken of was his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples recalled what he had said. Then they believed the scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

INTERLUDE

Musical interludes are included in our service in order to provide space for reflection and worship.

Stand or sit

PRAYING THE PSALMS

Psalms 19:7-14



The law of the Lord is perfect,
refreshing the soul.

**The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy,
making wise the simple.**

The precepts of the Lord are right,
giving joy to the heart.

**The commands of the Lord are radiant,
giving light to the eyes.**

The fear of the Lord is pure,
enduring forever.

**The decrees of the Lord are firm,
and all of them are righteous.**

They are more precious than gold,
than much pure gold;
they are sweeter than honey,
than honey from the honeycomb.

**By them your servant is warned;
in keeping them there is great reward.**

But who can discern their own errors?
Forgive my hidden faults.

**Keep your servant also from willful sins;
may they not rule over me.**

Then I will be blameless,
innocent of great transgression.

**May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart
be pleasing in your sight,
Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.**

Praying through the Psalms each week teaches us how to pray, using the prayer book of ancient Israel. As we pray, there will be pauses for reflection.

Be Thou My Vision

*Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art
Thou my best thought, by day or by night
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light*

*Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word
I ever with Thee, and Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one*

*Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance, now and always
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart
High king of heaven, my treasure Thou art*

*High king of heaven, my victory won
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall
Still be my vision, O ruler of all
Still be my vision, O ruler of all*

Traditional Celtic Hymn
8th Century

**SERMON**

The War on Pretense: Nowhere Left to Hide
Amos 9:1-10
Nelson Hall

Seated

SERMON TEXT

[9:1] I saw the Lord standing by the altar, and he said:

“Strike the tops of the pillars
so that the thresholds shake.
Bring them down on the heads of all the people;
those who are left I will kill with the sword.
Not one will get away,
none will escape.
[2] Though they dig down to the depths below,
from there my hand will take them.
Though they climb up to the heavens above,
from there I will bring them down.
[3] Though they hide themselves on the top of Carmel,
there I will hunt them down and seize them.
Though they hide from my eyes at the bottom of the sea,
there I will command the serpent to bite them.
[4] Though they are driven into exile by their enemies,
there I will command the sword to slay them.

"I will keep my eye on them
for harm and not for good."

[5] The Lord, the Lord Almighty—
he touches the earth and it melts,
and all who live in it mourn;
the whole land rises like the Nile,
then sinks like the river of Egypt;

[6] he builds his lofty palace in the heavens
and sets its foundation on the earth;
he calls for the waters of the sea
and pours them out over the face of the land—
the Lord is his name.

[7] "Are not you Israelites
the same to me as the Cushites?"
declares the Lord.

"Did I not bring Israel up from Egypt,
the Philistines from Caphtor
and the Arameans from Kir?

[8] "Surely the eyes of the Sovereign Lord
are on the sinful kingdom.

I will destroy it
from the face of the earth.

Yet I will not totally destroy
the descendants of Jacob,"
declares the Lord.

[9] "For I will give the command,
and I will shake the people of Israel
among all the nations
as grain is shaken in a sieve,
and not a pebble will reach the ground.

[10] All the sinners among my people
will die by the sword,
all those who say,
'Disaster will not overtake or meet us.'

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Kneel or Sit

CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be your people.

**You have called us to be the church,
to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our lonely
and confused world.**

**Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active,
isolated than involved, callous than compassionate,
obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving.**

Gracious Lord, have mercy on us and forgive our sins.

**Remove the obstacles preventing us
from being your representatives to a broken world.
Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of your indwelling Spirit.**

This we pray in Jesus' powerful name. Amen.

(You are invited to confess your sins silently.)

*Worship Sourcebook confession
of sin #20*



Stand if able

RECEIVING OF GRACE

Hear the good news:

This saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.
He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross,
that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good.

I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

May the peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

*Worship sourcebook assurance
of pardon #30*

Jesus Paid It All

I hear the Sa-vior say, thy strength in-deed is small. Child of
 Lor-d now in-deed I find Thy pow'r and Thine a-lone can-
 5 And when be-fore the throne I stand in Him com-plete. Je-sus
 wea-kness watch and pray, find in Me thine all in all. Je - sus paid it
 10 change the le-per's spots and melt the heart of stone.
 died my soul to save. My lips shall still re-peat:
 13 all, all to Him I owe. 1. 2. 7
 Sin had left a crim-son stain; He washed it white as snow.
 3. Sin had left a crim-son stain; He washed it white as snow. He
 2 washed it white as snow. He washed it white as snow.
 O praise the One who paid my debt and raised this life up from the dead. (O)

Elvina M. Hall, 1865
 John Thomas Grape, 1835-1915
 arr. and orch. Jess Alldredge

PASSING THE PEACE

***Parents, please pick up your children from the Worship Prep Class.**

Children in Preschool are not picked up until Offering, and Nursery may stay through to the end of worship.

As recipients of God's grace, we gladly receive peace from him. In response to his grace, we also extend that grace to one another. Traditionally, Christians have greeted one another during this time in the service with the phrase, "May the peace of Christ be with you" and receive back the greeting "And also with you."

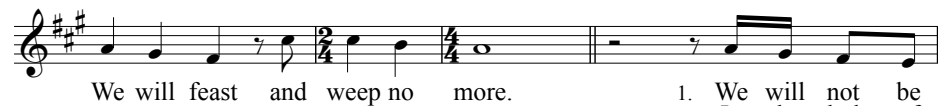
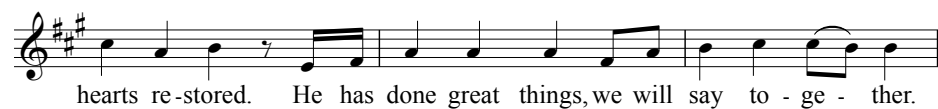
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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

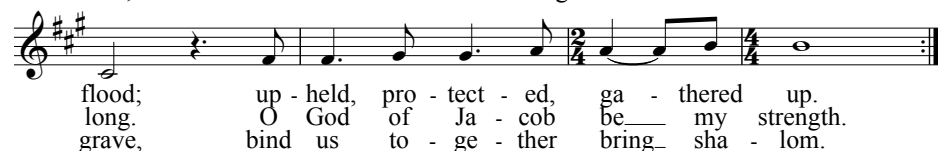
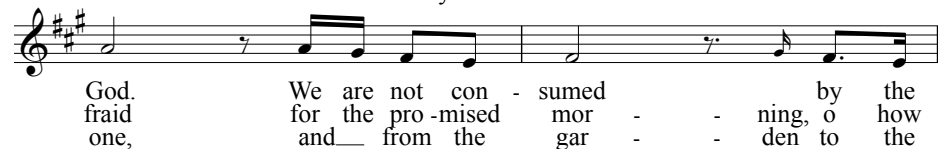
If you are new, please let us know about your visit through the QR code. If you are a regular attender, you can update your household information through the same QR code. Please use the cards inserted in the Order of Worship to share any praises or prayer requests you might have.



Turn to page 16–18 for announcements and event details.

Drive Out The Darkness*[Chorus]**Come, O Come**Be our light**Drive out the darkness**Come, Jesus, Come**In the emptiness of grief**Through the night of suffering**In the loss and in the tears**God of comfort, O be near...**[Chorus 2]**Come, O Come**Be our light**Drive out the darkness**Come, O Come**Be our light**Drive out the darkness**[Chorus]**Every weapon made for war**Every gun and every sword**Will be melted in the flame**To be used for gardening**Come, and end all the violence**Come, do not be silent**Come, cling to your promise**Come, break all injustice**Come, Jesus, Come**[Chorus]***We Will Feast In The House Of Zion**

1. We will not be
2. In the dark of
3. Ev - ery vow we've



Dan Marotta, Isaac Wardell,
John Swinton, and Paul Zach
2020 Integrity Worship Music

Sandra McCracken
© 2015 Drink Your Tea Music

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed



What do we believe?

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven:
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified.
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Adopted in the 4th Century, the Nicene Creed is the most universally affirmed creed among Christian churches.

"Catholic" refers to the true Christian church at all times and in all places.

Trinity Song

Ho - ly Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit.
Ho - ly Com - mu - nion, Three - in - One.
Come with your peace, with your in - vi - ta - tion.
Bind us to - ge - ther in ho - ly love.



Offering Tiles

Many of us tithe electronically and this can be a wise practice and a blessing to the church. A downside can be the loss of the embodied practice of physically bringing our offering to the Lord. If it will aid you in your worship to reclaim a physical expression of tithing, tiles are now available in baskets at our welcome table for you to choose and place in the offering basket as it is passed.

Seated

OFFERING

***Parents, please pick up your children from the Preschool Class. Nursery may stay through to the end of worship.**

To give to the Grace General Fund, you can give several ways:** Please note that giving via credit/debit card incurs a processing fee of approximately 2%.**

- To give via credit card, scan the QR code. (This will take you to our giving page)
- Give via Venmo (Give to @graceseattle; all transactions are private)
- Give via PayPal (Give to bookkeeper@graceseattle.org)
- To gift stock, contact our bookkeeper@graceseattle.org
- Mail to check to:****All mail must be addressed to Grace Church Seattle****



Grace Church Seattle
505 Broadway E, PMB 324, Seattle, WA 98102

For more details, please to to graceseattle.org/giving

MUSICAL OFFERING

LITURGY OF THE TABLE

We come to the Table of our Lord
that he might feed and nourish us.

Stand if able

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION



We Ascend (The Sursum Corda)

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Therefore we praise you,
joining our voices with Angels and Archangels
and with all the company of heaven,
who for ever sing this hymn
to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The *Sursum Corda* (Latin: "Lift up your hearts") is an ancient Christian communion prayer. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, we have been raised with Christ and now reign with him in heaven.

The *Sanctus* (Latin: "Holy") is one of the songs being sung in heaven before God's throne. We join our voices to with the angels and those who have gone before us in the faith to give glory to God.

Jess Alldredge
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The Song of Heaven (The Sanctus)

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,
2. heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry,
3. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord, God of pow - er and might.
-ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Communion Elements:

Cup: Wine or Grape Juice

Bread ingredients: Wheat Flour,
Rye Flour, White Unbleached
Flour, 1% Milk, Yeast, Vegetable
Oil

Rice Crackers: Organic Brown
Rice Flour, Organic White Rice
Flour

Prefilled, factory-sealed
communion

elements also available:

Communion wafer ingredients:
wheat flour, water, vegetable
shortening (soybean oil,
cottonseed oil).

Seated

We Remember (Words of Institution)

We Preach the Good News

Together we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Receiving Communion

We will come forward by rows, starting at the front. There will be factory sealed communion elements as well as gluten free crackers with designated juice and wine on the table at the front. Otherwise, there is bread to dip in either wine (tall cup) or juice (short cup).

We Draw Near (The Lord's Supper)

(All are invited to come forward during Communion. The act of receiving the bread and wine is a confession, that as you receive those gifts, you have already received the gift of a renewed relationship with God, through Christ. If that is not your confession, you may still come forward to receive a prayer. Simply cross your arms across your chest as an indication that you are coming for prayer.)

Stand if able

Doxology

5 Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow;
9 praise Him, all crea - tures here be - low;
13 praise Him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host:
24 Ghost. Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.
29 Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.
36 A - men, a - men, a - me - n!

Words: Thomas Ken
Music "Old Hundredth"



BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you;
the Lord turn his face toward you
and give you peace.

Amen.



SENDING

Let us go forth and serve the world
as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God!

WELCOME TO GRACE

The various opportunities for growth, connection and service at Grace are listed below.

GRACE KIDS If you have any questions about Grace Kids, email linn@graceseattle.org.

Resources for Sunday Worship. Children are always welcome to remain in the service. To participate in a class, children must be signed in each week with KidCheck, our secure check-in system and wear their printed name tag. Check-in stations located in lobby and downstairs.

- Nursery (6 months-2 years), located downstairs in classroom #118
- Preschool (3-5 years), located downstairs in classroom #120. Children are picked up during the *offering*.
- Worship Prep Class (Kinder-3rd grade), located downstairs in classroom #119, children are picked up during *passing of the peace*. This class does not meet on the 5th Sunday of the month.
- Infant room is located in the back of the Sanctuary. Priority for nursing moms.
- Family room is provided in the upstairs chapel with a livestream viewing.
- Kids Activities are available in the lobby each week for use during in-person worship.

Christian Formation Class. Christian Formation Classes are offered for children age 2 - 5th grade.

YOUTH GROUP All youth ages 12-18 are welcome to join our Youth Group, which meets during Christian Formation Hour the first three Sundays of the month. This year we'll be exploring the practice of prayer together. If you are interested or have questions, email Nelson Hall at nelson@graceseattle.org.

YOUNG ADULTS Join other young adults in our community as we gather together for lunch the first and third Sundays of every month at 12:30 PM. Please contact nelson@graceseattle.org for more details.

COMMUNITY FORMATION

Adult Christian Formation Class. The adult class will be exploring the Gospel of Mark this fall. You can access the audio to all the classes through the QR code.



Community Groups. These are groups of 6-12 people that gather in peoples' homes in a variety of neighborhoods in the Seattle area. Email Jamie Afshari, at jamie@graceseattle.org for more information.

Growth Groups. These are groups of 3 men or 3 women that are designed to be communities where people can be known and grow (1-year commitment). Please contact Jamie Afshari at jamie@graceseattle.org (women) or John Haralson at john@graceseattle.org (men).

SERVING THE CITY Serving the City (STC) exists to disciple our congregation in service, to care for our neighbors and neighborhoods, and to support people who have been marginalized. We do this by partnering and volunteering with local organizations to support their work in our community—New Horizons, REST, World Relief, and Olive Crest. This ministry year, STC is hosting focused events on caring for the housing insecure and unhoused in our city, we hope you join us as we learn, pray and seek the ways the Lord may be calling us to serve in this area. If you are interested in learning more about STC, contact Drew Billups at drew@graceseattle.org.

MUSIC & ARTS. As a worshipping community, we seek to respond to God with music and visual arts that are winsome, well-crafted, and beautiful. We also find ways to stay connected to the broader artistic and creative community in our neighborhood and city. If you are interested in getting involved with the music and arts at Grace, or want to learn about the Grace Artists group, email Jess Alldredge, Worship Arts Director at jess@graceseattle.org.

OTHER GROUPS

LGBTQ+ / SSA Community in Seattle. For over five years, Grace has been an active supporter of "Revoice"; a ministry committed to supporting LGBTQ+/SSA individuals who long to follow Jesus and are following (or curious about following) a historical approach in regard to stewarding their sexuality. Revoice has established a local chapter here in Seattle in order to offer support and community to our LGBTQ+ / SSA siblings. Join us each month for Sunday lunch, laughter, and a sense of community, here on Capitol Hill! For more information and details select "Seattle" at <https://www.revoice.org/local-chapters>

Recovery From Sexual Compulsivity Discussion Group. This group meets Wednesdays at 8 PM via Zoom. It is an anonymous (first-names) male-only meeting that follows a 12-step format open to men of any or no faith. For more information contact Clint Morse (206-915-1669).

Book Club. Love reading? Join us once or every month. We read all kinds of literature including best sellers, classics, non-fiction, and young adult fiction. We meet in person at different locations each month - email office@graceseattle.org for more details.

EVENTS

Lenten Prayer Service. Join us Wednesday, 3/6 at 7 PM for a prayer service. Childcare will not be provided, though the Grace Kids table will be set up and the Infant Room will be available. This service will only be in-person with no live stream.

Revoice Leadership Weekend. Leaders from Revoice will be in Seattle next month to raise awareness for the work they are doing to support LGBTQ+/SSA individuals (and people who love them!) who want to follow Jesus (or curious about following) a historical approach in regard to stewarding their sexuality. They will be hosting an event on Saturday, March 9 for parents of LGBTQ+ folks, as well as a fundraiser that afternoon at 4 PM. They will also be leading the Adult Christian Formation Class on Sunday, March 10.

Sign up for the parents event here:



Sign up for the fundraiser here:



Easter Egg Stuffing Party. Please join us immediately after worship on March 10 in the fellowship hall for stuffing Easter eggs! All ages are welcome to help!

Grace 101. Our next new members class will be Friday, 3/15, 7-9 PM & Saturday, 3/16 9-1 PM. Friday evening will be a fellowship time over dinner. On Saturday, we will dive into the ministries of Grace - light breakfast and lunch will be provided. Childcare is not provided, but babes in arms are welcome, or older kids who would be content to watch a movie during the sessions are welcome. Sign up through the QR code by Sunday, 3/10.



Men's Retreat Registration is Open! Please join us this year from April 12-14 at the beautiful Rainbow Lodge as we spend time in worship, reflection, and fellowship. Specifically, we'll be considering the difficult but life-giving work of engaging with our stories. You can learn more about the weekend and register through the QR code.



2024 Ministry Year Key Dates

Key dates for this year are listed below.

March

- Sunday, 3/3:
 - 6th-12th graders needed for help with holy week project, email Linn@graceseattle.org
 - STC Lunch with Bernard Troyer from *The Block Project*. RSVP by emailing drew@graceseattle.org
- Sunday, 3/6 - Lenten Prayer Service @ 7 PM
- Saturday, 3/9:
 - Parents of LGBTQ+ (with Revoice Leadership) @ 10 AM. Sign up through the QR code above.
 - Revoice Fundraiser @ 4 PM at the Layne. Sign up through the QR code above.
- Sunday, 3/10:
 - Revoice Leadership at Adult Christian Formation Hour.
 - Easter Egg stuffing & New Horizons Move-in kit assembly following the service.
- Friday, 3/15, 7-9 PM & Saturday, 3/16 9-1 PM - Grace 101. Details and sign up above.
- Sunday, 3/17 - Making PB&J sandwiches for Operation Nightwatch after the worship service
- Friday, 3/29 - Good Friday Service @ 7 PM
- Sunday, 3/31 - Easter morning! Easter Egg Hunt for Grace Kids following service.

April

- Wednesday, 4/10 - Sunrise Prayer Service @ 6:15 AM at Maple Leaf Reservoir Park - email john@graceseattle.org with questions.
- Friday, 4/12/2024 - Sunday 4/14/2024 - Men's Retreat at Rainbow Lodge
- Sunday, 4/21 - STC Lunch: Panel Discussion. RSVP by emailing drew@graceseattle.org

May

- Wednesday, 5/1 - Sunrise Prayer Service @ 5:30 AM at Mount Baker Beach
- Friday, 5/3/2024 - Sunday 5/5/2024 - Women's Retreat at Rainbow Lodge
- Sunday, 5/21 - STC Lunch: Grace discernment, brainstorming and prayer. RSVP by emailing drew@graceseattle.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Grace Giving is moving from Subsplash to Planning Center. This change will be slow - you will have until July to move any recurring online giving to Planning Center. An email with all the details and instructions will be sent out this week. Email office@graceseattle.org with questions.

Want to grow closer to God? Consider observing Lent–Holy Week–Eastertide. Lent is an invitation to take some ownership of your spiritual growth. By God's goodness, making one or two small changes can lead to significant transformation. This year, we are focusing on the ancient Lenten practices of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving to help foster spiritual growth. The Lent–Holy Week–Eastertide booklet for all ages is available through the QR code as well as printed in the foyer.



New Horizons Move-In Kits. As a part of the almsgiving theme of our Lenten practice - help us build "move-in kits" that will have essential household items for young adults transitioning to independent living. Please purchase items through the Amazon registry (QR code) and drop them off in the foyer on Sunday, March 10.



Volunteers Needed. We need more households to join our new Neighbor Team this spring. This team will provide support and community for a young adult that New Horizons is assisting to move from into independent housing. It is a monthly commitment for 6 months. Email drew@graceseattle.org if you are interested or have any questions.

Easter Baptisms. If you or someone in your household would like to be baptized on Easter Sunday (3/31), please email office@graceseattle.org.

GRACE MINISTRY PARTNERS

Grace partners with a number of organizations that aid in spiritual and emotional development.

SOUL CARE SEATTLE

Soul Care Seattle is an urban retreat and spiritual direction ministry located on Capitol Hill. They have many different ways to help you grow in your relationship with God.

Soul Care Seattle is located at **The Layne**: 1252 16th Ave E. Sign up for all offerings through the QR code.



Listening Prayer Group. A Listening prayer group is a small group that meets with the intention of building a community around the word of God. The passages will focus this year on the questions Jesus asked his followers and asks us today. For more information and to RSVP, scan the QR code above. Meetings are at 7 PM at The Layne on these Thursdays: 3/21, 4/18, and 5/16

Half-day Retreat schedule at the Layne (Saturdays, 8:45 AM to 12 PM). Why a silent retreat? How many of us have the space to be truly quiet and listen to ourselves or listen to God about ourselves? These retreats are available to those who would like to experience silence & prayer in community. Scan the QR code above to register and email renee@soulcareseattle.com if you have any questions. The silent retreats are held on these Saturdays: 3/16, 4/20 and 5/18

Centering Prayer Group. Centering Prayer consists of sitting in silence with God - beyond thoughts, words, and emotions and opening our mind, heart and whole being to the Trinity. Scan the QR code above to register (no cost). If you have any questions email donna@soulcareseattle.com. The time of fellowship and prayer is from 7 to 8:30 PM and are held on these Thursdays: 3/7, 4/25 and 5/9 via Zoom.

Spiritual Direction. Find out more about Spiritual Direction and how to sign up through the QR code above.

BELL TOWER COUNSELING

Bell Tower is a non-profit counseling center in Seattle that provides evidence-based and biblically-sound counseling services to those in need. They are committed to offering generous scholarship resources to clients so that financial need is never a barrier to receiving high-quality counseling care. Learn more about becoming a donor, scheduling an intake for individual counseling as well as the groups they have available through the QR code.



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

03/03 Third Sunday in Lent
Christian Formation Hour 9 AM
Worship Service 10:15 AM
(In-Person and Livestream)

03/06 Lenten Evening Prayer
Worship Service 7 PM
(In-Person)

03/10 Fourth Sunday in Lent
Christian Formation Hour 9 AM
Worship Service 10:15 AM
(In-Person and Livestream)

03/17 Fifth Sunday in Lent
Christian Formation Hour 9 AM
Worship Service 10:15 AM
(In-Person and Livestream)

03/24 Palm Sunday
Worship Service 10:15 AM
(In-Person and Livestream)

03/29 Good Friday Service 7 PM
(In-Person and Livestream)

03/31 Easter Sunday
Worship Service 10:15 AM
(In-Person and Livestream)

Whistleblower Policy

Our Diocese is committed to our churches being safe places to disclose wrongdoing that is observed or experienced at Grace. Scan the QR code to view the C4SO's whistleblower policy which provides instruction on how to report.



Emergency Plan

In the unlikely event of an emergency or evacuation, all children attending a Grace Kids Class will be escorted immediately from their classrooms to the farthest edge of the front lawn, at the corner of E. Aloha St. and 13th Ave. E., where they can be reunited with their parents or guardians.

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PASTORAL CARE

Not sure who to contact? If you have needs or resources you'd like to offer the community, please contact us at pastoralcare@graceseattle.org.

GIVE

You can give financially to Grace in many ways.
Scan the QR code to learn more.



Financial Update (as of 1/31/2024):

General Fund: YTD giving - 298,118.42 Budget - 70,833

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