



Order of Worship
March 17, 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

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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

But the great thing to remember is that, though our feelings come and go, His love for us does not. It is wearied by our sins, or our indifference; and, therefore, it is quite relentless in its determination that we shall be cured of those sins, at whatever cost to us, at whatever cost to Him.

C.S. Lewis

Nobody needs another love song
Sometimes you need to sing your own song
Nobody needs a symbol and a clay gone
It is not love, it is not love, it is not love

Nobody needs another bouquet
Or put on a show, like they sing on your birthday
Nobody needs a paper serenade
It is not love, it is not love, it is not love

But if it's not okay
Then it is not the end
And this is not okay
So I know this is not, this is not the end

Kids are laughing in the other room
A life more complicated, their smiles are still in bloom
They're on their own
Take them by the hand, the best we can
We give them love, we give them love

But if it's not okay
Then this is not the end
And this is not okay
So i know this is not, this is not the end

The fog is coming clearer now
And I am waking up
The light brings out the shame
Of what is fool's gold, what is love
What was fool's gold, what is love

Nobody needs your secret handshakes
You'll lose your privilege with careless mistakes
My heart is worth more than dropping in the breaks
Such fragile love
It is not love, it is not love, it is not love

But if it's not okay
Then it is not the end
And this is not okay
So I know this is not, this is not the end

Sandra McCracken, *Fool's Gold*

Judgment is never the end of the story
Jack Collins

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



inspired by Psalm 63
John Paarlberg
Reformed Church in America

THE FIFTH 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

Your steadfast love, O Lord, is better than life.
Therefore our lips will praise you.

We will bless you as long as we live.
We will lift up our hands and call on your name.

For you have been our help
and in your presence we sing for joy.

All Creatures Of Our God And King

8 All crea - tures of our God and King,
Thou rush - ing wind that art so strong,
All ye who are of ten - der heart,
5 Let all things their Cre - a - tor bless,
8 lift up your voice and with us sing Al - le -
ye clouds that sail in heaven a - long,
for - giv - ing oth - ers, take your part, O
9 and wor - ship him in hum - ble - ness, sing his
8 lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
praise him, Al - le - lu - ia!
prais - es, Al - le - lu - ia!
13 praise him, Al - le - lu - ia!
8 Thou burn - ing sun with gold - en beam,
Thou ris - ing morn in praise re - joice,
17 Ye who long pain and sor - row bear,
Praise, praise the Fa - ther, praise the Son,
8 thou sil - ver moon with soft - er gleam, O
ye lights of eve - ning find a voice,
praise on him cast your care,
21 and praise the Spir - it, Three in One,
praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le -
27 lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

lyrics: St. Francis of Assisi, 1225
tras. William Henry Draper, 1926
music: Lasst Uns Erfreuen

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

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

"The days are coming," declares the Lord,
 "when I will make a new covenant
with the people of Israel
 and with the people of Judah.
It will not be like the covenant
 I made with their ancestors
when I took them by the hand
 to lead them out of Egypt,
because they broke my covenant,
 though I was a husband to them,"
 declares the Lord.
"This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel
 after that time," declares the Lord.
"I will put my law in their minds
 and write it on their hearts.
I will be their God,
 and they will be my people.
No longer will they teach their neighbor,
 or say to one another, 'Know the Lord,'
because they will all know me,
 from the least of them to the greatest,"
 declares the Lord.
"For I will forgive their wickedness
 and will remember their sins no more."

New Testament Reading

Hebrews 4:14-16

Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

Gospel Reading

John 12:20-33

Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the festival. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, with a request. "Sir," they said, "we would like to see Jesus." Philip went to tell Andrew; Andrew and Philip in turn told Jesus.

Jesus replied, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me.

"Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name!"

Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and will glorify it again." The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to him.

Jesus said, "This voice was for your benefit, not mine. Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to show the kind of death he was going to die.

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 if able

Antiphon: O Lord You Are My Light (Psalm 27)

Leader/Cantor 1st time through - congregation 2nd time



O Lord You are my light and my sal - va - tion!

Leader/Cantor 1st time through - congregation 2nd time



I will sing and make



me - lo - dy to you Lord!

Adapted from Psalm 27
Jess Alldredge
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PRAYING THE PSALMS

Psalm 51

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.

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;

according to your abundant mercy

blot out my transgressions.

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin!

For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.

Against you, you only, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight,
**so that you may be justified in your words
and blameless in your judgment.**

Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,
and in sin did my mother conceive me.
**Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being,
and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.**

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have broken rejoice.

Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

**Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with a willing spirit.**

Then I will teach transgressors your ways,
and sinners will return to you.
Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God,
O God of my salvation,
and my tongue will sing aloud of your righteousness.

O Lord, open my lips,
and my mouth will declare your praise.

For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it;
you will not be pleased with a burnt offering.

**The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.**

Do good to Zion in your good pleasure;
build up the walls of Jerusalem;
then will you delight in right sacrifices,
in burnt offerings and whole burnt offerings;
then bulls will be offered on your altar.

Stand if able

Jesus, Remember Me

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me
when you come in - to your king - dom.
Je - sus, re - mem - ber me
when you come in - to your king - dom.

The musical score is written on four staves in 3/4 time, key of B-flat major. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff starts with a repeat sign. The second staff has a longer note for 'king'.

Jacques Berthier, 1978
Taizé Community, France

Seated

SERMON

Amos 9:11-15

The God Who Restores

Rev. Jamie Afshari



SERMON TEXT

[9:11] "In that day

"I will restore David's fallen shelter—
I will repair its broken walls
and restore its ruins—
and will rebuild it as it used to be,
[12] so that they may possess the remnant of Edom
and all the nations that bear my name,"
declares the Lord, who will do these things.

[13] "The days are coming," declares the Lord,

"when the reaper will be overtaken by the plowman
and the planter by the one treading grapes.
New wine will drip from the mountains
and flow from all the hills,
[14] and I will bring my people Israel back from exile.

"They will rebuild the ruined cities and live in them.
They will plant vineyards and drink their wine;
they will make gardens and eat their fruit.
[15] I will plant Israel in their own land,
never again to be uprooted
from the land I have given them,"

says the Lord your God.

INTERLUDE



Kneel or Sit

CONFESSION OF SIN

Heavenly Father,

**We desire that you make us people who trust in your faithfulness
and walk in your ways.**

**Too often we have grown weary of waiting for your return
and we forge our own paths to fill us, numb us, and distract us.**

**Forgive us and steady our hearts on your faithfulness that promises to
make all things new. Amen.**

(You are invited to confess your sins silently.)

Stand if able

Lord, Have Mercy

1. Lord, have mer - cy; 2. Lord, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy; Ho - ly Spi - rit rest up - on us; Ho - ly Spi - rit rest up - on us; Lead us in the way of your jus - tice. Teach us how to tend to cre - a - tion. Ho - ly Spi - rit rest up - on us; Ho - ly Spi - rit rest up - on us; Teach us how to serve in our weak - ness. Guide us from our path of des - truc - tion.

Kate Bluett, Latifah Alattas,
Paul Zach
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RECEIVING OF GRACE

Psalm 145



The LORD is merciful and compassionate, slow to get angry
and filled with unfailing love.
He is faithful to forgive!

People of God, in Jesus Christ your sins are forgiven!

Amen!

May the peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

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.*"

Seated

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.

How Long?

*How long?
Will You turn Your face away?
How long?
Do You hear us when we pray?
On and on,
still we walk this pilgrim way -
How long?*

*How long
'til Your children find their rest?
How long
'til You draw them to Your breast?
We go on holding to Your promises -
How long?*

*[Refrain]
'Til You wipe away the tears
from ev'ry eye
'Til we see our home descending
from the sky
Do we wait in vain?
Jesus, give us hope again!*

*How long
'til Your word will still the storm?
How long
'til You bare Your mighty arm?
How we groan
'til You snatch us from the thorns -
How long?*

*[Refrain]

How long?
Sweet the dawn that ends the race.
How long?
Weak our hearts but strong our legs.
Looking on -
great that cloud of witnesses!
How long?*

[Refrain]

Isaac Wardell



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.**

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

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.

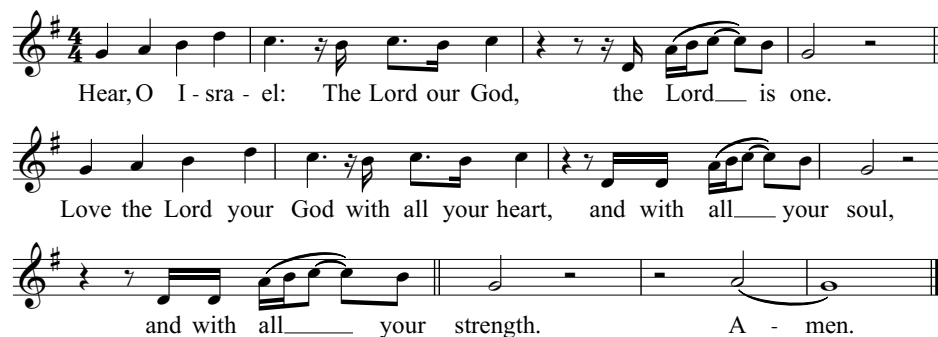
On the third day he rose again
 in accordance with the Scriptures;
 he ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
 and his kingdom will have no end.

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.

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

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.

S h e m a



Hear, O I - sra - el: The Lord our God, the Lord__ is one.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all__ your soul,

and with all__ your strength. A - men.

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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.

OFFERING

Seated

***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****



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505 Broadway E, PMB 324, Seattle, WA 98102

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

MUSICAL OFFERING

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



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.

LITURGY OF THE TABLE

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.

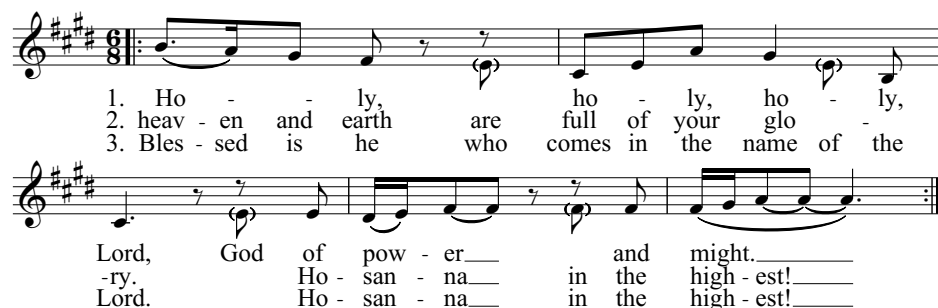
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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 Song of Heaven (The Sanctus)



1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,
2. heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ly,
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!

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.

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We Remember (Words of Institution)

We Ask God's Blessing (Prayer of Consecration)

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon these your gifts of bread and wine that they may be for your people the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, may we be one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him.

As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world. For by him, with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

We Preach the Good News

Together we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

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

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.)

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).

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).

Doxology

Words: Thomas Ken
Music "Old Hundredth"

5 Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow;
8
9 praise Him, all crea - tures here be - low;
8
praise Him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host:
13
praise Fa-ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.
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!

**BENEDICTION**

2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all, **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

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.



Women's Retreat Registration is Open! Please join us for the Grace Women's Retreat, May 3-5 at the beautiful Rainbow Lodge! It will be a weekend of refreshment and connection as we consider who God is and who we long for Him to be in our lives. You can find out more details and register through the QR code.



Grace Church Camping Trip! We are excited to announce a church wide camping trip is on the calendar for August 23-25! You can find out more details and sign up through the QR code.



2024 Ministry Year Key Dates

Key dates for this year are listed below.

March

- Sunday, 3/17 - Making PB&J sandwiches for Operation Nightwatch after the worship service
- Friday, 3/29 - Good Friday Service @ 7 PM
- Saturday, 3/30 - Holy Saturday Service via YouTube
- Sunday, 3/31:
 - Easter Sunrise Read & Sing Service at 6:30AM @ Cal Anderson Park (on the little hill next to the fountain) w/ Calvary: The Hill Church
 - 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

August

- Friday, 8/23 - Sunday 8/25 - Grace Church Camping Trip! Details & Sign up above.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Easter Egg Hunt Volunteers Needed. If you are available to help be an egg hider and adult supervisor for the egg hunt on Easter morning after the worship service, please reach out to Linn@graceseattle.org

Grace Kids Teachers Needed. If you are interested in working in our grace kids classrooms, please reach out to Linn@graceseattle.org.

Grace Online 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 has been sent out. Email office@graceseattle.org with questions.

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

New Grace Online Calendar. We have moved our online calendar to Planning Center and will be discontinuing the old calendar in the next month. You can access the new calendar through the QR code.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.



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.

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: 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: 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

03/17 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)

03/30 Holy Saturday Service
(YouTube)

03/31 Easter Sunday
Worship Service 10:15 AM
No Worship Prep Class
(In-Person and Livestream)

04/07 First Sunday in Eastertide
Christian Formation Hour 9 AM
Worship Service 10:15 AM
(In-Person and Livestream)

04/14 Second Sunday in Eastertide
Christian Formation Hour 9 AM
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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