



Order of Worship

November 18, 2018

9 am and 11:30 am



SUNDAY SCHEDULE

1300 E Aloha St
First Service 9:00 am
Christian Formation 10:30 am
Second Service 11:30 am

FIRST SERVICE

Nursery
6 months - 2 years

Grace Kids

Toddlers (2&3): Room 117
PreK: Room 119

GRACE KIDS CHRISTIAN FORMATION

10:30 AM
Toddlers: Room 117
PreK: Room 119
Kinder/1st grade: Room 103
2nd grade: Room 120
3rd/4th grade: Room 110
5th/6th grade: Room 102
Adults: Fellowship Hall

SECOND SERVICE

Nursery
6 months - 3 years

GOSPEL OF LUKE: FALL 2018

"Hmmm...I knew I shoulda taken that left turn in Albuquerque."
- Bugs Bunny

Have I made the wrong choice?

We all know what it feels like to ask yourself this question. Whether you're second-guessing a job you took, a relationship you find yourself in the middle of, or what you ordered for lunch, you know the sensation of having the sinking feeling that you might have made a mistake.

Being a disciple of Jesus is no different.

The Gospel of Luke was written to a man named Theophilus. We don't know a lot of details about Theophilus, but he appears to be a Christian who is having second thoughts about the life of discipleship he has embarked upon. This is how Luke addresses him in the book's beginning:

...[I've written this for you], Theophilus, that you may have certainty concerning the things you have been taught.

Apparently, Theophilus is questioning his decision to become a Christian. Living in a culture that is marked by ruthless power politics, a relatively weak and often hidden church, and an almost incessant questioning and dismissal of the Christian faith, it is easy to envision Theophilus asking questions like:

Is this Jesus story really true?

Is God really faithful to his promises?

What does true discipleship look like?

Luke went to great lengths researching and crafting his gospel to answer questions like these. He wrote it so that people like Theophilus, and us, might have confidence that God is at work in the world and in our lives through Jesus Christ. To be a disciple of Jesus is to be on the right path—the path of salvation, which to Luke and his original audience meant healing or wholeness.

So, whether you're a new Christian, a seasoned saint, or someone investigating Jesus for the first time, Luke is a great book for you to dive into.

Let us worship.

REFLECTION QUOTES

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 1:14

The lesson on the Mount had been learned, the Cross was the talk of heaven.

The Person of Christ, by Donald Macleod

Turn around and look and see what you been missing
Look behind you and put on your glasses forward vision
Maybe one day we'll be more than we were way, way back when
Maybe then they'll listen
Maybe then the world will understand

Shame, by Maxwell

Please silence all mobile phones and electronic devices for the duration of the worship service.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Seated

WELCOME

*Sufjan Stevens, Seven Swans
2004*



Text in **bold** is read together by the entire congregation. Plain text is read by one of the worship service leaders

The small symbols you will see throughout these pages correspond to a "Key to Liturgy".

Our worship begins each week with a call to worship. We are gathered here today because God, our Creator, desires to have a relationship with us. Whether we realize it or not, he is the one calling us to himself—today and every day.

PRELUDE

The Transfiguration

Standing

CALL TO WORSHIP

Proverbs 30:1-5

The man declares, I am weary, O God;

I am weary, O God, and worn out.

Surely I am too stupid to be a man.

I have not the understanding of a man.

I have not learned wisdom,

nor have I knowledge of the Holy One.

Who has ascended to heaven and come down?

Who has gathered the wind in his fists?

Who has wrapped up the waters in a garment?

Who has established all the ends of the earth?

What is his name, and what is his son's name?

Surely you know!

Every word of God proves true;

he is a shield to those who take refuge in him.

The Solid Rock

1. My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je - sus' blood and
 2. When dark-ness veils his love - ly face, I rest on his un -
 right-eous-ness; I dare not trust the sweet-est frame, but
 chang-ing grace; in ev - ery high and storm - y gale my
 whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name. On Christ the sol - id
 an - chor holds with - in the veil.
 Rock I stand; all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand; all
 oth - er ground is sink - ing sand. 3. His oath, his cov - e -
 nant his blood sup - port me in the whelm-ing flood; when all a-round my
 soul gives way he then is all my hope and stay. 4. When he shall come with
 trum-pet sound, O may I then in him be found, dressed in his right-eous -
 ness a-lone, fault - less to stand be - fore the throne.
 On Christ the sol - id Rock I stand; all oth - er ground is
 sink - ing sand; all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

Edward Mote, 1834
 William B. Bradbury, 1863

Seated



LECTIO SACRA

2 Peter 1:16-21

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

"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.



Confession of sin happens within the context of relationship, both with God and each other. We confess together, in community, before a gracious God who has given us himself. Confession both acknowledges our need for mercy and celebrates its abundance in Christ.

INTERLUDE

Christ Whose Glory Fills The Skies

Standing

CONFESSION OF SIN

Adapted from The Valley of Vision, "Confession and Petition"

Holy Lord,

**I have sinned times without number,
and been guilty of pride and unbelief,
of failure to find thy mind in thy Word,
of neglect to seek thee in my daily life.**

My transgressions and short-comings
present me with a list of accusations,

**But I bless thee that they will not stand against me,
for all have been laid on Christ;
go on to subdue my corruptions,
and grant me grace to live above them.**

Let not the passions of the flesh nor lustings
of the mind bring my spirit into subjection,
but do thou rule over me in liberty and power.

**I thank thee that many of my prayers have been refused –
I have asked amiss and do not have,
I have prayed from lusts and been rejected,
I have longed for Egypt and been given a wilderness.
Go on with thy patient work,
answering 'no' to my wrongful prayers,
and fitting me to accept it.**

Purge me from every false desire,
every base aspiration,
everything contrary to thy rule.

**I thank thee for thy wisdom and thy love,
for all the acts of discipline to which I am subject,
for sometimes putting me into the furnace
to refine my gold and remove my dross.**

Deliver me from every evil habit,
**every accretion of former sins,
everything that dims the brightness of thy grace in me,
everything that prevents me taking delight in thee.**

**Then I shall bless thee, God of Jeshurun,
for helping me to be upright.**

(You are invited to confess your sins silently.)

Cleanse Us Lord

Cleanse us Lord, from all un - right - eous - ness, for you are
faith - ful to for - give.

Bobby Krier, Jess Alldredge
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RECEIVING OF GRACE

1 John 1:6-9



Brothers and Sisters,

hear and say these words of grace:

If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness,
we lie and do not practice the truth.

**But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light,
we have fellowship with one another,
and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.**

If we say we have no sin,
we deceive ourselves,
and the truth is not in us.

**But if we confess our sins,
he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins
and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

In Christ, our sins are forgiven,
this is the Gospel!

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

1. Je - sus, lo - ver of my soul, let me to thy bo - som
2. O - ther re - fuge have I none; hangs my help-less soul on
3. Plen-teous grace with thee is found, grace to co - ver all my
— fly, — while the nea - rer wa - ters roll,
— thee; — leave, ah! leave me not a - lone,
— sin; — let the heal - ing streams a - bound;
while the temp - est still is — high;
still sup - port and com - fort — me. —
make and keep me pure with - in. —
hide me, O my Sa - vior hide, till the storm of life is past;
All my trust on thee is stayed, all my help from thee I bring;
Thou of life the foun - tain art; freely let me take of thee;
safe in - to the ha - ven guide, O re -
co - ver my de - fense - less head with the
spring thou up with - in my heart, rise to
ceive my soul at — last! — O re - ceive my soul at — last! —
sha - dow of — thy — wing. — With the sha - dow of — thy — wing.
all e - ter - ni - ty. — Rise to all e - ter - ni - ty. —

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Words: Charles Wesley (1740)
Music: Jess Alldredge



THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

9 AM

Marian Leona Carpenter

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household."

Matthew 28:19;
Genesis 17:7; Acts 16:31

Questions from The Book of Church Order, 56-5

1. Do you acknowledge that your child is created in God's image and is a gift from him to both you and the world?
2. Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
3. Do you claim God's covenant promises on your child's behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for her salvation, as you do for your own?
4. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before her a godly example, that you will pray with and for her, that you will teach her the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring her up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

To the congregation:

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting in the Christian nurture of this child?

PROMISE TO THE CHILD

Adapted from the Church of Scotland Baptismal Liturgy

For you Jesus Christ came into the world.
 For you he lived and showed God's love.
 For you he suffered the darkness of Calvary and cried at the last, 'It is finished.'
 For you he triumphed over death and rose to new life.
 For you he reigns at God's right hand.
 All this he did for you, though you do not know it yet.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Adapted from The Book of Common Prayer, 1928

Lord Jesus Christ,

who embraces children with the arms of mercy
 and makes them living members of your Church,
 give Marian grace to stand fast in your faith,
 to obey your word, and to abide in your love.

Being made strong by your Holy Spirit,
 may she resist temptation and overcome evil,
 and rejoice in the life that now is,
 and dwell with you in the life that is to come;
 through your merits, O merciful Savior,
 who with the Father and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns,
 one God, world without end. Amen.

PRAYING THE PSALMS

11:30 AM

Psalm 62



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.

For God alone my soul waits in silence;
from him comes my salvation.

**He alone is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken.**

How long will all of you attack a man to batter him,
like a leaning wall, a tottering fence?

They only plan to thrust him down from his high position.

They take pleasure in falsehood.

**They bless with their mouths,
but inwardly they curse.**

For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence,
for my hope is from him.

**He only is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress; I shall not be shaken.**

**On God rests my salvation and my glory;
my mighty rock, my refuge is God.**

**Trust in him at all times, O people;
pour out your heart before him;
God is a refuge for us.**

Those of low estate are but a breath;
those of high estate are a delusion;
in the balances they go up;
they are together lighter than a breath.

**Put no trust in extortion;
set no vain hopes on robbery;
if riches increase, set not your heart on them.**

**Once God has spoken;
twice have I heard this:
that power belongs to God,
and that to you, O Lord, belongs steadfast love.**

**For you will render to a man
according to his work.**

Abide With Me

Henry Francis Lyte 1846
Justin Smith
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1. A - bide with me; fast falls the e - ven -
2. Thou on my head, in ear - ly youth didst
3. I need Thy pres - ence, eve - ry pass - ing
4. I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to
5. Hold Thou Thy cross, be - fore my clos - ing

tide; The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord with
smile; And, though re - bel - lious, and per -
hour. What but Thy grace, can foil the
bless; Ills have no weight, tears lose their
eyes; Shine through the gloom, and point me

me a - bide. When oth - er help - ers, fail and
verse mean - while, Thou hast not left me, oft as
tempt - er's power? Who, like Thy - self, my guide and
bit - ter - ness. Where is thy sting death? Where grave thy
to the skies. Heav'n's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain

com - forts flee, Help of the
I left Thee, On to the
stay can be? Through cloud and
vic - to - ry? I tri - umph
shad - ows flee; In life, in

help - less, a - bide with me.
close Lord, a - bide with me.
sun - shine, a - bide with me.
still, a - bide with me.
death, Lord, a - bide with me.

Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the author and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

Prayer for Those Searching for the Truth

Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.



Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

Seated

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING THE PEACE

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 with a handshake or a hug. 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."

GOSPEL LESSON

"This is My Son, My Beloved; Listen to Him!"

Luke 9:28-36

Rev. Jason Davison

Sermons can be streamed and downloaded at graceseattle.org/resources.

INTERLUDE

OFFERING



The offering is a way for members and friends of Grace Church Seattle to support the church's mission and ministry. If you are our guest today, please let us know you've joined us today, as well as any comments or prayer requests, by placing your welcome card in the offering basket.

For online giving options, please go to graceseattle.org/giving

To give via text message, text *GODISLOVE* to 206.859.9405

To give via the Grace app, look up "Grace Church Seattle" on the App Store or Google Play, click download, and click the giving tab within the app to give.

MUSICAL OFFERING

The Transfiguration

Lyrics are provided for reflection.

When he took the three disciples to the mountainside to pray
His countenance was modified, his clothing was aflame
Two men appeared; Moses and Elijah came, they were at his side
The prophecy, the legislation spoke of whenever he would die

Then there came a word of what he should accomplish on the day
Then Peter spoke, to make of them a tabernacle place
A cloud appeared in glory as an accolade; they fell on the ground
A voice arrived, the voice of God, the face of God, covered in a cloud

What he said to them, the voice of God: the most beloved son
Consider what he says to you, consider what's to come
The prophecy was put to death, was put to death, and so will the Son
And keep your word, disguise the vision till the time has come

Lost in the cloud, a voice: Have no fear! We draw near!
Lost in the cloud, a sign: Son of man! Turn your ear!
Lost in the cloud, a voice: Lamb of God! We draw near!
Lost in the cloud, a sign: Son of man! Son of God!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Standing, Seated, or Kneeling



Long ago, at many times and in many ways,
God spoke to our fathers by the prophets,
but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son.

O God, in these Last Days,

help us to hear your Voice all the more clearly.

**Help us to hear you amid all the noise that fills our ears
and distracts us from your Word.**

(Continued on the next page).

Whom he appointed the heir of all things,
through whom also he created the world.

Jesus, Heir and Creator,

may you receive our lives, our time, our treasure.

May your creative power

bring forth your peace, joy, truth and love in our world today.

We pray that the reality of your reign and design

be felt in our Government,

O Lord receive our rulers

and reign in their midst!

In our Schools,

O Lord, receive our schools, teachers and students,

and reign in their midst!

In the Sciences, Arts, and Entertainment,

O Lord receive our creativity

and bring unity, truth and beauty!

In Commerce,

O Lord receive our businesses and markets,

bringing justice and prosperity!

and Neighborhoods,

O Lord, receive our streets

and bring your peace and healing!

He is the radiance of the glory of God

and the exact imprint of his nature,

and he upholds the universe by the word of his power.

After making purification for sins,

he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,

having become as much superior to angels

as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

O God, receive our prayers, as you have received our sins

and secured for us a great Salvation.

Come to our aid, O Lord and Eternal King. Amen!

HYMN OF PRAISE

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther,
2. Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee;
sun, moon and stars in their cours - es a - bove;
thy own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;

thou chang - est not, thy com - pas - sions they fail not;
join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,

as thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy and love.
bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Great is thy faith - ful ness! Great is thy faith - ful ness!

Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;
all I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed
great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

Thomas O. Chisholm 1923,
William M. Runyan 1923

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Communion, also called the Lord's Supper or the Eucharist, is the family meal of Christians. We invite all baptized followers of Jesus Christ who acknowledge their sins against God and their neighbors and confess their need for the grace of Christ to partake of this meal. If you are a Christian and haven't been baptized, please talk with one of our pastors. We would be honored to baptize you. We hope that this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with his people, the church.

If you would like prayer during communion, intercessors will be available at the front of the sanctuary to pray with you.



Prayer for Receiving Communion

Lord Jesus, your perfect life, death, and resurrection are the source of all blessing in this life and the life to come. As I eat this bread and drink this cup, renew me in the joy and glory of knowing and serving you. I come to this table on the basis of your merit only and not my own. As you have completely and fully offered yourself for me, I now completely and fully offer myself to you as a living sacrifice. Amen.

Allergen-free communion elements (wafer ingredients: organic brown rice flour, organic white rice flour) are available at the center of the communion table. To partake, please dip in the wine cup on the table, then proceed through the line.

The *Sursum Corda* (Latin: "Lift up your hearts") is an opening dialogue in the Eucharistic liturgy of the Christian Church and dates back (at least) to the third century. This text encourages the church to come with thankfulness and joy to the Lord's table.

The Sursum Corda

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is meet and right to do so.

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:

Jess Alldredge
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The *Sanctus* (Latin: "Holy") is a Christian hymn text, typically sung in response to *The Sursum Corda*. It is an invitation to join the voices of the church with the heavenly host, who are continually proclaiming the Father's glory (Isaiah 6:1-3; Matthew 21:9).

Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth_ are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est!
Blessed is he_ who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est!

Together we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

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

Seated

The Words of Institution

The Ministration of Communion

Just A Closer Walk With Thee

1. I am weak but Thou art strong;
 2. Thro' this world of toil and snares,
 3. When my fee - ble life is o'er,
Refrain: Just a clo - ser walk with Thee,

Je - sus, keep me from all wrong;
 If I fal - ter, Lord, who cares?
 Time for me will be no more;
Grant it, Je - sus, this my plea,

I'll be sa - tis - fied as long As I
 Who with me my bur - den shares? None but
 Guide me gent - ly, safe - ly o'er To Thy
Dai - ly wal - king close to Thee, Let it

walk, dear Lord, close to Thee. *[To Refrain each time]*
 Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee.
 king - dom shore, to Thy shore.
 be, dear Lord, let it be.

Anonymous

BENEDICTION

1 Peter 5: 10-11



After you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace,
 who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ,
 will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you.
 To him be the dominion forever and ever. **Amen.**

SENDING



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

Thanks be to God!

Members of the prayer team will be available to pray for you at the front of the sanctuary at the conclusion of each service.

ONGOING EVENTS & GROUPS

Moms In Prayer Group - South Seattle

Moms In Prayer is an international group with the sole purpose of praying for our kids while they attend school. This is a structured hour of prayer that focuses on a different attribute of God every week with time dedicated to intercessory prayer for our children. Open to all moms and all school structures including homeschool. One Moms in Prayer group meets in South Seattle (Hillman City) every Thursday starting September 20th from 1 pm to 2 pm at Rainier Avenue Church. This group is led by Heidi Slater and Lisa Konick. Childcare is available and is a shared cost. To join, please contact Heidi Slater at hydijo@gmail.com. To find a Moms in Prayer group that meets in your area, please go to momsinprayer.org

Women's Gatherings

Contact: Jo Taniguchi at taniguchijo@gmail.com.

Grace Kids Facebook Page

For the latest news, messages and resources, check out the Grace Kids Facebook page at:
<https://www.facebook.com/Grace-Kids-at-Grace-Church-Seattle-940257476071589/>

GraceLifeSeattle ListServ

The GraceLifeSeattle Listserv is an email group designed to foster spontaneous generosity and hospitality among anyone and everyone who regularly attends Grace. The Listserv will allow anyone who signs up to send out an email to the larger group. It is designed to be used to let others know about a party you'd like to invite others to join, a game night you'd like to host, a request to borrow something, a post to give goods away, a need you'd like to ask for help from the larger group, etc.
Contact: Danielle Taniguchi at danielle@graceseattle.org.

Lifelong

Grace Seattle delivers pre-made meals once a week to individuals living with or at risk of HIV/AIDS and/or other chronic diseases. If you would like more information or would like to be part of the delivery team, email Paige Lively at paigelively@gmail.com.

Meals Ministry

We serve Grace community members with food delivery in case of short-term needs, such as injuries, illnesses, and new children. Volunteers are added to an email list and asked to serve as they are able when needs arise. Currently additional volunteers are needed to help serve the community in this practical way.
Contact: Rebecca Iland rebecca@graceseattle.org

Prayer Ministry

We are looking for people who are feeling called to our prayer ministry team. Each Sunday, intercessors from the prayer team will be stationed at the front of the sanctuary to pray with you during communion time and immediately after the service. The prayer team also meets quarterly to pray together for the needs of our church, city, and world.
Contact: Heather Andrews prayer@graceseattle.org

Grief and Loss Support Group

**First Sunday of each month at 11:30 AM-12:45 PM
Classroom 103**

You've kept track of my every toss and turn through the sleepless nights, each tear entered in your ledger, each ache written in your book. -Psalm 56:8 from The Message

This is a new ministry with the purpose of sharing our grief and loss with one another so that we can be consoled in knowing that we are not alone in our suffering. If you are experiencing the death of a loved one, infertility, the loss of health, the loss of a job, or another loss, join us. We meet on the first Sunday of the month from 11:30 - 12:45; please come as often or seldom as you need. If you have questions please contact Lisa Behringer at cozycottage@mac.com.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Community groups are places of care and community where we learn more about living the Christian life together. Each group is unique and has its own "personality," and yet all groups are focused on growing in relationship with God and with each other. Groups meet on different nights in various neighborhoods around the city, and include time for fellowship, study and reflection, and prayer together. If you have any questions about community groups, contact Debbie (Smith) Tacke at debbie@graceseattle.org.

Parish #	Contact	Time	Meeting Information
1	Bennett Sorbo bsorbo@gmail.com	6:30 pm Tuesdays	Mixed group of adults & kids. Potluck dinner.
4	Daniel Rogers graddy462@gmail.com	7:30 pm Every other Wednesday	Mixed group of adults & kids. Potluck dinner.
4	Danielle Taniguchi danielle@graceseattle.org	7:00 pm Thursdays	Mixed group of adults. Light Snacks.
4	Erika Schuyler erikaschuyler@gmail.com	7 pm - 8:30 pm 2nd & 4th Thursdays	Mixed group of adults & kids.
8	Jessica Youtzy bjyoutzy@gmail.com	7:30 pm Wednesdays	Mixed group of adults.
9	Susan Rose susanguppy@gmail.com	6:30 pm 2nd & 4th Wednesdays	Mixed group of adults & kids. Light dinner.
10	Gwen St. John gwenstjohn@hotmail.com	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Tuesdays	Mixed group of adults & kids. Potluck dinner.

Parish Number Key

Parish #	Neighborhood
1	Ballard, Fremont, Greenwood, Bitterlake, Broadview
4	Lake City, Maple Leaf, Northgate, Pinehurst, Lake Forest Park, N. View Ridge, Woodinville, Wedgwood
8	Eastlake, Lower Capitol Hill, South Lake Union

Parish #	Neighborhood
9	Arbor Heights, Burien, Delridge, Fauntleroy, Highland Park, South Park, West Seattle, Westwood
10	Beacon Hill, Columbia City, Hillman City, Kent, Mt. Baker, Rainier Valley, Renton, Seward Park, Tacoma

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

See our full calendar at graceseattle.org/events/calendar

Sign up for our email list by emailing office@graceseattle.org

Christmas Pageant Registration Open

Grace's 2018 Christmas Pageant will be held December 16th at 10:30am. Registration is now open! Children ages 5 and up are invited to join the fun and adventure of putting on the pageant this year. Please note, rehearsals will be held December 2nd and 9th during Christian Formation Hour. Register by visiting www.graceseattle.org and clicking on the Pageant Registration link. Registration Deadline: Nov. 25th. Questions? Want to help? Please contact Nicole Herring at nicole@graceseattle.org.

NO Christian Formation Class Extended Fellowship: YCG Serving TODAY 10:30-11:15 AM

Fellowship Hall

Please join us for a time of extended fellowship downstairs in the fellowship hall. The kids from YCG will be serving food to the congregation and all are welcome and invited to join!

Worship Time Change Survey Survey Available until Sunday, November 18th

We have heard from many of you that our second worship service, 11:30AM, is too late in the morning. Since our gathered worship is a central aspect of our life together, we are discussing as a staff and leadership team whether or not we should adjust our service times as a result of this feedback. If our times are adjusted, this would mean that our stand-alone Christian Formation Hour would take place during one or both services. We realize any kind of change like this can bring both benefits and challenges. We are desiring your feedback as we think through this decision and would appreciate you taking the time to fill out a short survey by Sunday, November 18th. You can find the survey on our homepage at www.graceseattle.org or via this link <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6QB2G9Z>

Lower Level Restrooms - Children Only

A quick reminder that the restrooms in the lower level of the building are for children only during the 9 am worship service as well as Christian Formation Hour. We ask that all adults refrain from using these restrooms and instead please use the upstairs bathrooms.

Advent Silent Retreat Saturday, December 1st 9AM-Noon Bethany Presbyterian Church, Queen Anne

In the midst of the holiday season, it's easy to get busy doing a lot of activity and neglect to make space to receive the gift of Jesus. Debbie Tacke will provide guidance for this morning retreat which will provide time to slow down and spend time with Jesus during this Advent season. The retreat will include introduction to a scripture reflection and other reading and time for solitude and reflection. Please RSVP by November 28th to Debbie Tacke debbie@graceseattle.org.

Me, a Seminary Student? Saturday, December 1st at 9 AM Grace Church Office 400 E Pine St, Ste 215

If you belong to Christ, he is calling you to some kind of good work in the world. Maybe your calling is vocational ministry, or maybe you are being called into the marketplace or a stay-at-home parent seeking to disciple children. Would you like to get in-depth training to more faithfully and effectively pursue this calling, but don't want to move out of Seattle?

Covenant Theological Seminary, the denominational seminary of the PCA, has recently launched three new degree programs that you can complete while staying rooting in Seattle and at Grace. On Saturday, December 1st at 9:00am at the Grace Church Office, Dr. Mike Higgins, Dean of Students at Covenant, will be hosting a breakfast for anyone wanting to find out more. For more information about , go to Covenant's website at covenantseminary.edu or email John Haralson at john@graceseattle.org.

Grace Gallery Art Show Visual Kalendar, artists Ryan and Jenny James December 13, 5-8pm Grace Gallery (400 E Pine St, #215)

Artists Ryan and Jenny James will feature visual works they've made over the years which represent different seasons and holy days in the church calendar, or "Kalendar". Using sketches, photography, paintings, and graphic design, the James' approach to liturgical art is modern, while nodding to and honoring sacred artistic traditions of the past.

Save The Date: Women's Retreat 2019 March 8-10th Rainbow Lodge Retreat Center

This year's women's retreat will be held on March 8-10th at the Rainbow Lodge Retreat Center (approximately 45 minutes from Seattle). This is a great chance to get to know other women at Grace and enjoy a weekend of connecting and refreshment. Mark your calendar to join us! Registration will open after the start of the new year. If you have questions, please email Danielle Taniguchi at danielle@graceseattle.org.

Save The Date: Men's Retreat 2019 May 3rd-5th Rainbow Lodge Retreat Center

This is a great chance to get to know other men at Grace and enjoy a weekend of connecting and rest. Stay tuned for more details, but for now save the date for this great weekend together! Please email Orion Iffland for more information at orion@iffland.net.

Save the Date: All Church Retreat 2019 September 27-29th Warm Beach Camp & Conference Center

Save the date! We will be having a church-wide retreat at the Warm Beach Camp in Stanwood. This is a great time to build existing relationships and form new ones. For more information about the retreat, please email Danielle at danielle@graceseattle.org. More details to follow in early 2019.

SERMON TEXT

Luke 9:28-36

[28] Now about eight days after these sayings he took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. 29 And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became dazzling white. [30] And behold, two men were talking with him, Moses and Elijah, [31] who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. [32] Now Peter and those who were with him were heavy with sleep, but when they became fully awake they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. [33] And as the men were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. [34] As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. [35] And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!" [36] And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

11/18 Twenty Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Service 9 AM and 11:30 AM
Extended Fellowship 10:30 AM

11/25 Twenty Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Service 9 AM and 11:30 AM
Adult & Grace Kids Christian Formation 10:30 AM

12/2 First Sunday of Advent

Worship Service 9 AM and 11:30 AM
Mike Higgins Interview 10:30 AM

12/9 Second Sunday of Advent

Worship Service 9 AM and 11:30 AM
Advent Silent Retreat 10:30 AM

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