



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.

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REFLECTION QUOTES

The vast majority of us go to our graves without knowing who we are. We unconsciously live someone else' life, or at least someone else's expectations for us. This does violence to ourselves, our relationship with God, and ultimately others.

Peter Scazzero, Emotionally Healthy Spirituality

"I could never myself believe in God, if it were not for the cross. The only God I believe in is the One Nietzsche ridiculed as 'God on the cross.' In the real world of pain, how could one worship a God who was immune to it?"

John Stott, The Cross of Christ

WELCOME

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

Please silence all mobile phones

and electronic devices for the duration of the worship service.

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.

Frederick Hedge and Martin Luther

"Lord Sabaoth" (sab-ee-awth) means "Lord of hosts" and comes from the transliteration of the Hebrew word tsebha'oth, meaning "hosts" or "armies".

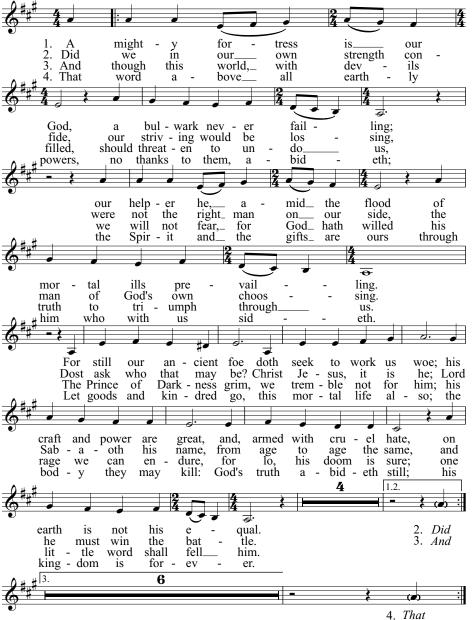
CALL TO WORSHIP Daniel 7:13-14

I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him.

And to him was given

dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.

Mighty Fortress Is Our God



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LECTIO SACRA John 2:23-25

Now when he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Feast, many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he was doing. But Jesus on his part did not entrust himself to them, because he knew all people and needed no one to bear witness about man, for he himself knew what was in man.

This is the Word of the Lord! Thanks be to God!

INTERLUDE

CONFESSION OF SIN

From The Worship Sourcebook

O God, you have shown us the way of life through your Son, Jesus Christ. We confess with shame our slowness to learn of him, our failure to follow him, and our reluctance to bear the cross.

Have mercy on us, Lord, and forgive us.

We confess the poverty of our worship,

our neglect of fellowship and of the means of grace, our hesitating witness for Christ, our evasion of responsibilities in our service, our imperfect stewardship of your gifts.

Have mercy on us, Lord, and forgive us. Amen.

(You are invited to confess your sins silently.)



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"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.





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RECEIVING OF GRACE

from the Worship Sourcebook; 1 Timothy 1:15; 1 Peter 2:24

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

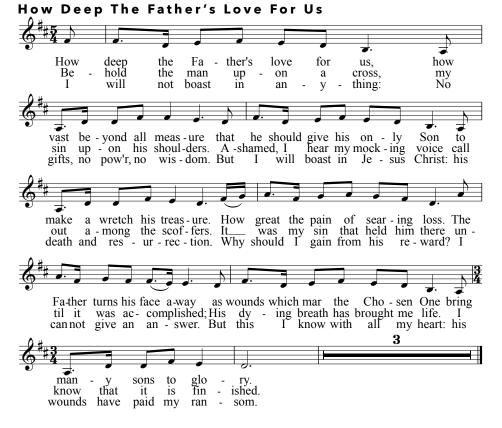
in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good.

I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ,

you are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF GOD'S LOVE



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PRAYING THE PSALMS

Psalm 16

Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge. I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord;

I have no good apart from you."

As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight. The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips. **The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup;**

you hold my lot. The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.

I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure. For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption.

You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.



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.



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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

"But Who Do You Say I Am?" Luke 9:18-22 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.

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.

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

Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that

I might be undaunted by the

Prayer for Those Searching for the Truth

leads to the life that you promise. Amen.



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.



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Adapted from Celebrate God's Presence

O God, Lover of the World, you hold all that you have created within your compassionate embrace. As you hold our lives torn by pain, sorrow or hatred within your aching heart, we cry out for wholeness– for ourselves, for those we love, and for our world.

May your healing presence gently transform the places of our lives where we hold pain. May your loving presence

be a comforting reality for all those who find themselves in despair, lost or alone.

May your transforming presence create generosity in places of greed, harmony in place of hatred, and everlasting justice where evil now reigns.

O God, Lover of the World,

from the silence of our own hearts, we bring before you these people and places that need your healing, loving, transforming presence.

O God, Lover of the World,

this is your world, and we claim your power and your presence to make it whole.

In Christ's Name, Amen.



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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 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). by Jess Alldredge © 2018

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:

Sanctus

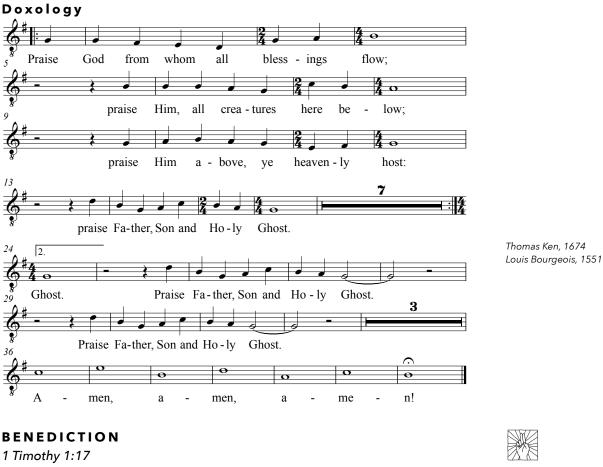


Together we proclaim the mystery of the faith: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

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The Words of Institution

The Ministration of Communion



To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

SENDING

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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.

Standing





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/

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 Ifland 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

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

Parish Number Key

Neighborhood	Parish #	Neighborhood
Ballard, Fremont, Greenwood, Bitterlake,	9	Arbor Heights, Burien, Delridge, Fauntleroy, Highland
Broadview		Park, South Park, West Seattle, Westwood
Lake City, Maple Leaf, Northgate,	10	Beacon Hill, Columbia City, Hillman City, Kent, Mt.
Pinehurst, Lake Forest Park, N. View		Baker, Rainier Valley, Renton, Seward Park, Tacoma
Ridge, Woodinville, Wedgwood		
Eastlake, Lower Capitol Hill, South Lake		
Union		
	Ballard, Fremont, Greenwood, Bitterlake, Broadview Lake City, Maple Leaf, Northgate, Pinehurst, Lake Forest Park, N. View Ridge, Woodinville, Wedgwood Eastlake, Lower Capitol Hill, South Lake	Ballard, Fremont, Greenwood, Bitterlake, 9 Broadview 10 Lake City, Maple Leaf, Northgate, 10 Pinehurst, Lake Forest Park, N. View Ridge, Woodinville, Wedgwood Eastlake, Lower Capitol Hill, South Lake 10

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

See our full calendar at **graceseattle.org/events/calendar** Sign up for our email list by emailing *office@graceseattle.org*

Christian Formation Hour Introduction to Theology Class TODAY 10:30-11:15 AM Fellowship Hall

What is theology? Why should we study it? Join us for a four week series that includes an overview of theology and how our knowledge of what God has revealed about Himself can help us grow in our Christian faith. October 21-November 11, fellowship hall, Christian formation hour. Led by Drew Billups, Eric DeMoney, Rebecca Ifland, and Nat Taylor.

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.

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. If you are interested in joining, please email Danielle Taniguchi at *danielle@graceseattle.org.*

Grief and Loss Support Group First Sunday of the month, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM Classroom 102

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*.

Me, a Seminary Student? Saturday, December 1st , 9 AM

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 (location TBD), 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.

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 Ifland for more information at *orion@ifland.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 9:18-22

[18] Now it happened that as he was praying alone, the disciples were with him. And he asked them, "Who do the crowds say that I am?" [19] And they answered, "John the Baptist. But others say, Elijah, and others, that one of the prophets of old has risen." [20] Then he said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" And Peter answered, "The Christ of God."

[21] And he strictly charged and commanded them to tell this to no one, [22] saying, "The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised."

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

10/28 Twenty Third Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service 9 AM and 11:30 AM Adult & Grace Kids Christian Formation 10:30 AM

11/04 Twenty Fourth Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service 9 AM and 11:30 AM Adult & Grace Kids Christian Formation 10:30 AM

11/11 Twenty Fifth Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service 9 AM and 11:30 AM Adult & Grace Kids Christian Formation 10:30 AM

11/18 Twenty Sixth Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service 9 AM and 11:30 AM Extended Fellowship 10:30 AM

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