

PENTECOST

Order of Worship May 31, 2020 Livestream 10 am



#### SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Live stream Worship 10:00 am Find Grace Church Seattle's page on <u>YouTube</u>

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#### Artist Statement

This year's artwork series visualizes the thematic chapters of the church calendar using simple geometric illustrations to highlight the interconnected nature of the chapters. Each chapter is a standalone piece of artwork, but together they will form a collective mosaic that symbolizes the holistic story of the church calendar.

-Josh Klekamp, visual artist

Front cover artwork: *Pentecost* Josh Klekamp, 2020

## **HEBREWS: FIXING OUR EYES ON JESUS**

Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. Hebrews 12:1-2 (NIV)

I am bound for the Promised Land. Samuel Stennett

My dad used to be a marathon runner. When he was in his late 50's, he wanted to run in the Boston Marathon. To qualify for Boston, he had to run another marathon in under a set amount of time.

He knew this was going to be a challenge to him. So he trained for the better part of a year. He also invited me to come and run with him for the key part of one of the qualifying races. The idea was that as I ran alongside of him, I could keep him on track and encourage him so he could make it to the finish line in time.

The book of Hebrews tells us that the Christian life is like a marathon race. To be sure, it is glorious and filled with joy. But it is also long and-at times-grueling.

And, the book of Hebrews is focused on answering one question:

How can we finish the race as Christians?

Herein lies the brilliance of Hebrews...it doesn't give us a strategy for finishing the Christian life. Instead, Hebrews gives us Jesus.

In this book, we are given numerous sketches of Jesus–highlighting his majesty, glory, and superiority. And, we are told in chapter 12 to "fix our eyes" on him. This means to look away from anything and everything else so that we might be able to focus our attention on Jesus–seeing him clearly and distinctly.

This, and only this, is how we finish the race.

Let us worship.

# **REFLECTION QUOTES**

"I do not ignore the theological and metaphysical interpretation of the Christian doctrine of salvation. But the underprivileged everywhere have long since abandoned any hope that this type of salvation deals with the crucial issues by which their days are turned into despair without consolation. The basic fact is that Christianity as it was born in the mind of this Jewish teacher and thinker appears as a technique of survival for the oppressed. That it became, through the intervening years, a religion of the powerful and the dominant, used sometimes as an instrument of oppression, must not tempt us into believing that it was thus in the mind and life of Jesus. "In him was life; and the life was the light of men." Wherever his spirit appears, the oppressed gather fresh courage; for he announced the good news that fear, hypocrisy, and hatred, the three hounds of hell that track the trail of the disinherited, need have no dominion over them."

## Howard Thurman, Jesus and the Disinherited

How glorious he was when the people gathered round him As he came out of the inner sanctuary!
Like the morning star among the clouds, Like the moon when it is full;
Like sun shining upon the temple of the Most High And like the rainbow gleaming in glorious clouds;
Sirach, 50: 6-10

Open my eyes to the sound of morning news And wish for ten more minutes left to sleep And as I get into the shower the thoughts of facing one more day Overwhelm me and I begin to weep And I've never felt like I've needed Your help so bad Well, my tears are pushed away now for the sake of morning rush 'Til the Bible on the table catches my eye And I read that you are near to the hearts that break with grief And I realize that I don't have to try To live life myself because You're ready to help me live Be the strength of my life Strength of my life Be the strength of my life today **Leslie Phillips, Strength of my Life** 

# WELCOME

PRELUDE

words: Isaac Watts, 1707 | music: (Lyrics below for reflection)

Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove, With all Thy quick'ning powers. Kindle a flame of sacred love In these cold hearts of ours.

In vain we tune our formal songs, In vain we strive to rise. Hosannas languish on our tongues, And our devotion dies.

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP** *Psalm* 97:6-8

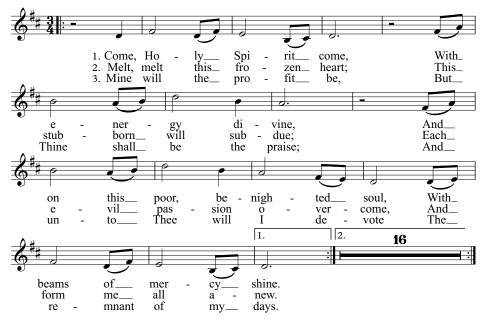
The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all the peoples see his glory.

# All worshipers of images are put to shame, who make their boast in worthless idols; worship him, all you gods!

Zion hears and is glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoice, because of your judgments, O Lord.

For you, O Lord, are most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.

# Come, Holy Spirit, Come



# Jonathan Green, 2010

The small symbols you will see throughout these pages correspond to a "Key to Liturgy" <u>available here</u>



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

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.

Music: ABBEVILLE by E.J. King, 1844 Words: Benjamin Beddome, 1990 Standing

#### Seated

# LECTIO SACRA Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Behold, my servant shall act wisely; he shall be high and lifted up, and shall be exalted. As many were astonished at youhis appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of the children of mankindso shall he sprinkle many nations. Kings shall shut their mouths because of him, for that which has not been told them they see, and that which they have not heard they understand. Who has believed what he has heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed? For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned-every one-to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth. By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people? And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him; he has put him to grief;

RUL

"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. when his soul makes an offering for guilt,

he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days; the will of the Lord shall prosper in his hand. Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong, because he poured out his soul to death

and was numbered with the transgressors;

yet he bore the sin of many,

and makes intercession for the transgressors.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

INTERLUDE By His Wounds

Standing

**CONFESSION OF SIN** Adapted from Isaiah 44: 9-20; Hebrews 9:14

The Lord points out the danger of saving ourselves when he says, **"All who fashion idols are nothing,** 

and the things they delight in do not profit."

And yet, we foolishly try to save ourselves with the things we create, and comfort ourselves with.

A carpenter cuts down a cypress or oak tree, it becomes fuel for man. Part of it he warms himself with, and the other part he fashions into a god and worships it. He prays to it and says, "Deliver me, for you are my god!"

Lord, we are blind and dumb. We are so in need of the ability to see the subtle ways we manufacture our own comforts, and attempt to save ourselves.

## Open our eyes, O God!

May we see the folly Of trusting in our schedules Our abilities And the dead works That we busy ourselves with So that we feel good about ourselves

Our daily sacrifices cannot absolve May your Sacrifice cleanse us Lord Jesus, Amen.

Traditional American Folk Melody Isaac Wardell © 20011 Bifrost Arts



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.

# **RECEIVING OF GRACE**

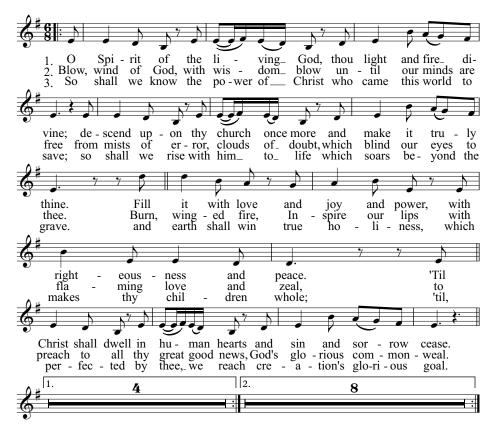
Hebrews 9:14

Family of God, rejoice! For better than the blood of bulls, And the blood, sweat and tears Of our own efforts Jesus has offered his own blood To fulfill every injustice, And to forgive every sin.

# Christ, through the eternal Spirit Offered himself without blemish to God, And has purified our conscience From dead works To serve the living God. Hallelujah!

Let us strip ourselves Of our stained priestly garments And trust in His priestly work alone! Amen!

# Spirit Of The Living God





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#### THE APOSTLES' CREED

Christian, what do you believe?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried.

He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

# King of Kings

 In the darkness we were waiting Without hope without light Till from heaven You came running There was mercy in Your eyes

To fulfill the law and prophets To a virgin came the Word From a throne of endless glory To a cradle in the dirt

[Chorus] Praise the Father Praise the Son Praise the Spirit three in one God of glory Majesty Praise forever to the King of Kings

2. To reveal the kingdom coming And to reconcile the lost To redeem the whole creation You did not despise the cross

For even in Your suffering You saw to the other side Knowing this was our salvation Jesus for our sake You died

# [Chorus]

3. And the morning that You rose All of heaven held its breath Till that stone was moved for good For the Lamb had conquered death

And the dead rose from their tombs And the angels stood in awe For the souls of all who'd come To the Father are restored

4. And the Church of Christ was born Then the Spirit lit the flame Now this gospel truth of old Shall not kneel shall not faint

By His blood and in His Name In His freedom I am free For the love of Jesus Christ Who has resurrected me

[Chorus]

This year, Grace Kids and YCG are memorizing the Apostles' Creed and exploring the biblical truths it communicates. For the year, please take the advantage of memorizing the creed with the youngest in our congregation and look to join us for our Grace Kids Chapel if you and your child would like to participate on the second Sunday of every month during the Christian Formation hour.

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#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Share with us your visit and prayer requests.

## 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. 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**

Once For All Hebrews 9:11-28 Rev. Jason Davison

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

#### SERMON TEXT

#### Hebrews 9:1-14

[11] But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) [12] he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. [13] For if the blood of goats and bulls, and the sprinkling of defiled persons with the ashes of a heifer, sanctify for the purification of the flesh, [14] how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

[15] Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant. [16] For where a will is involved, the death of the one who made it must be established. [17] For a will takes effect only at death, since it is not in force as long as the one who made it is alive. [18] Therefore not even the first covenant was inaugurated without blood. [19] For when every commandment of the law had been declared by Moses to all the people, he took the blood of calves and goats, with water and scarlet wool and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book itself and all the people, [20] saying, "This is the blood of the covenant that God commanded for you." [21] And in the same way he sprinkled with the blood both the tent and all the vessels used in worship. [22] Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.

[23] Thus it was necessary for the copies of the heavenly things to be purified with these rites, but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. [24] For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. [25] Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, [26] for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. [27] And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, [28] so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

#### Seated

#### 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 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 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.

# MUSICAL OFFERING



## OFFERING

To give to the Grace General Fund, you can give several ways:

- To give via text message, text GODISLOVE to 206.859.9405. (This will take you to our on-line giving page)
- To give via the Grace app, look up "Grace Church Seattle" on the App Store or Google Play and click the giving tab within the app.
- Give via Venmo (Give to @graceseattle.org; all transactions are private)
- Give via PayPal (Give to bookkeeper@graceseattle.org)
- To gift stock, contact our bookkeeper@graceseattle.org
- Mail to check to:

Grace Church Seattle 400 E Pine St, #215 Seattle, WA 98122

For more online giving options, please go to <u>graceseattle.org/giving</u>. To give to the Grace Deacons Fund, you can give several ways:

- For text, online, and app giving, specify "Deacons Fund" in the "Fund" field.
- For all other giving, Indicate "Deacons Fund" in the memo or comments field.

# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In love a throne will be established; in faithfulness a man will sit on itone from the house of Davidone who in judging seeks justice and speeds the cause of righteousness.

Jesus, we love you; we worship you; you are the Lord and King of our lives. May your kingdom come.

On this Pentecost Sunday we cry for your Spirit of unity to be poured out into our hearts. We need you because we are broken, hurting, rebellious, anxious, and angry.

We pray for relief from COVID-19. Heal the sick. Protect the weak. Bring us back together again in our worship and our work. (silent prayer)

We pray for racial justice across this land. Ahmaud Arbery and George Floyd are the most recent names on a very long and heartbreaking list.

As a predominantly white congregation, we are so regularly unaware of the pain our siblings of color are feeling. We can be blind and terrible family members. Jesus, teach many of us how–for our family of color–these events add and deepen the layers of injury they have experienced their entire lives and for centuries before that.

The murders of Ahmaud and George are not shocking or surprising to them, but another invitation to wail, to be afraid and to be angry.

Jesus teach us to pray together, "Lord how long?" (silent prayer)

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Standing

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,

and the glory, forever. Amen.



# Doxology



# BENEDICTION

Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory 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!

## UPDATES

**Sunday Worship & Other Church Gatherings.** We will be worshiping by live stream every Sunday at 10am on our YouTube page (search for "Grace Church Seattle" on YouTube).

All in-person meetings have been suspended. Many Community Groups, men's groups, and women's Bible studies have transitioned to all on-line meetings. In addition, our Youth Community Group (YCG) has begun to meet on Sundays via Zoom. We are working to put together more online gatherings each week. To find out more, please <u>contact our</u> <u>leadership team</u> and check <u>our website</u> for updates.

**Pastoral Care.** Please contact us if you have needs or if you have resources you would like to offer our community. We can be reached here (*pastoralcare@graceseattle.org*).

**Loving God.** During this season, in addition to continuing to maintain your practice of Sunday worship–though in the new online format–we are encouraging you to do two things:

*Daily Prayer & Scripture Reading.* We have three great resources to help you pray and read Scripture more regularly. Go to the <u>Daily Prayer</u> section of our website.

*Midweek Liturgy*. We will be creating and sending out a midweek liturgy every Tuesday that people can use individually or in a small gathering. This liturgy will have prayers, Scripture readings, and songs. Go to the <u>Midweek Liturgy</u> section of our website.

**Loving Neighbor.** Loving God is always bound up with loving our neighbors. Here are some concrete things you can do:

*Hygiene & Social Distancing.* Following the coronavirus health and safety protocols is a critical way that we exhibit a real love of neighbor by helping reduce the possibility of the spread of the virus.

*Deacons Fund.* Our Deacons Fund exists to help those in our congregation and community who are facing unexpected financial need. This is an incredible way to lovingly and sacrificially support those whose lives have been impacted by current events.

- To give to our Deacons fund, go to the <u>Giving</u> section of our website.
- To request financial assistance during this time, please get in touch with our deacons (<u>deacons@graceseattle.org</u>).

Helping the hurting. We are taking steps to actively care for and provide some relief to needs within our congregation already brought to our attention. In addition, we are seeking to form partnerships with local businesses and provide care for those on the margins who have been adversely affected by recent events. Dan & Renée Huie are also establishing a non-perishable food and household supply drop-off location at the Layne. We are partnering with local organizations to get this food delivered to seniors and shut-ins in the community. Please contact Pastor Jason for more information or to find out how you can help.

**Giving to Grace.** As we mentioned before, now is a wonderful opportunity to give to the Deacons Fund at the church. At the same time, it is important to point out that our expenses haven't significantly changed, and we still need folks to give generously and graciously to our General Fund. For more information, please visit the <u>Giving</u> section of our website.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS**

Because of the Coronavirus, and the ever changing nature of our day to day lives at this present time, please contact the host of these events to see whether or not they are currently being continued. Please note that most groups have been updated and are now running through video conferencing.

# CONNECT

## **Sermon Time Activity**

Please email <u>linn@graceseattle.org</u> if you would like to create your own Sermon Time Activity to share with your Grace Kids Friends!

## Toddler Time, Sundays at 9:30 am

Led by Ruth Haubenstock and Andrea Frankenfeld. A time for toddlers to worship, sing songs and see the faces of their friends. 15-20 minutes. Stay for as long or short as your toddler's attention span will allow! Bring an instrument from around your house—a real one or make your own.

Email Andrea, <u>andrea@andreafrankenfeld.com</u>, or Linn, <u>linn@graceseattle.org</u>, for the zoom link and password.

## Women's Summer Bible Study

Thursdays 10:00 am - 11:30 am, June 4-August 20. Ruth Haubenstock, Kirstin McAuley, & Katie Truelove will lead us using the book <u>Ruth and Esther: A 12-Week Study</u>, by Kathleen Nielson. We will begin meeting via Zoom, and if restrictions are lifted within our city, we will switch to meeting in person at our Volunteer Park Church location! If we do meet in person, we will try to hire childcare workers for women who might need this resource, and we will request donations to assist in covering childcare costs. If we are unable to hire, we may ask for volunteers to rotate taking turns watching children. **Please register by Monday, June 1st**: <u>Summer</u> <u>Women's Bible Study Registration</u>

## Women's Bible study Wednesday evenings (once a

month): 7pm-8:30pm.

June 17, July 15, and August 12. Ecclesiastes Study Book by She Reads Truth. This 3-week study will meet via zoom. To receive a zoom invitation or if you have any questions, please contact Andrea Frankenfeld, <u>andrea@andreafrankenfeld.com</u>, or Jennifer Spaith, <u>jennifermarielane@hotmail.com</u>. If you need financial help in purchasing this book, please contact Linn Haralson, linn@graceseattle.org.

**Women's Bible Study Thursday Mornings**. 10:00 - 11:30am. June 4 - August 20. <u>Ruth and Esther: A 12-Week Study</u>. We will start via zoom individually. As restrictions, locations and schedules allow, smaller groups may form and zoom-in together, and perhaps even a larger in-person meeting with childcare at our church building (keeping the zoom-in option available throughout each stage). **Please register by Monday, June 1st**: <u>Registration for</u> <u>Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study</u>, questions please contact Linn Haralson, <u>linn@graceseattle.org</u>.

## Grief and Loss Support Group, Third Sunday of Each Month

This ministry provides a time and space to share our grief and loss, so that we can be consoled in knowing that we are not alone in our suffering. If you are experiencing grief or loss over the death of a loved one, infertility, the loss of health, difficult family dynamics, the loss of a job, or another loss, join us. There is no grief or loss that is too big or too small. The participants simply listen to and pray for each person that shares. A moderator describes the group guidelines at the start of each meeting. We continue to meet the 3rd Sunday of the month at 12:15 through Zoom. If you have questions or to get the meeting link, please contact Lisa Behringer at cozycottage@mac.com.

#### **Recovery From Sexual Compulsivity Discussion Group**

Time: Wednesdays at 7:00pm

Location: Currently meeting through Zoom. This 1-hour, men-only meeting follows a 12-step format and is open to men of any or no faith. It is anonymous (first-name basis only) and focuses on sharing everyone's experience in an open and safe environment. (When arriving at the Layne, use the Galer St entrance where a set of stairs will lead you through the gate to the back entrance of the main house.) For more information contact Clint Morse (206-915-1669) or Justin Hawkins (314-614-7736.)

#### **Betrayal Trauma Support Group**

We meet the fourth Wednesday of each month from 6:30-8:00pm. The gathering provides a safe, supportive place to experience understanding and kindness in a confidential setting. This group is for women whose spouses are involved in sexual compulsivity. If you wish to attend or have any questions, please contact Shelly Morse at (206) 2273043 or <u>shelly@graceseattle.org</u>. Meetings are currently happening through Zoom.

#### Start your own Video Conferencing Group?

If you would like to start a video conferencing prayer group, Bible study, support group or social club within our church community, please <u>email Linn Haralson</u>, or 206-718-3982. She can help assist in getting your message out to other members of our community and/or help you set up a video formatting tool.

# Support for LGBT Individuals and Families, By: Soul Care Seattle @ The Layne

#### Please contact dan@soulcareseattle.com or

<u>renee@soulcareseattle.com</u> for details (some groups are now meeting through video conferencing.)

<u>Sexual Minority Group</u> seeks to provide community for people in the church who experience non-heterosexual attractions or conflict with their gender. This ministry offers a safe place for people to ask questions, be understood, and do life together, within the context of a theologically conservative community, while seeking to understand who we are in relationship with God.

Meeting Time: Second and Fourth Tuesday of each month, 7:00PM-9:00PM.

Parents and Families Group provides support for family members of those who identify as LGBTQ, experience same-sex attraction, or experience gender dysphoria. A loved one's journey in this area can be very painful and confusing for those who care deeply for the individual. This group offers support and encouragement as family members learn how to love well and grieve well the pain that they and their loved one may feel over this issue. Meeting Time: Third Wednesday of each month starting in September at 7:00PM-9:00PM

## 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. To join, <u>email Sean</u>.

#### Women's Gatherings

Check our website or contact Linn Haralson.

#### **Grace Kids Events**

Check our website or contact Linn Haralson

## Men's Groups

There are a number of men's groups that meet regularly for Bible study, prayer, and relationship building. Many are now meeting through video conferencing. If you are interested, please contact Eric DeMoney at mensgroups@graceseattle.org.

#### **Community Group Season**

Community Groups are a wonderful context for community here at Grace and for formation as a Christian, seeker or skeptic. Currently, most of our groups are at capacity, but there are a couple new groups forming, (in addition to a few open spots across the city). We also appreciate prayer for new hosts and leaders as our congregation continues to grow numerically and relationally. With some structures still finding definition we are not publishing new groups on the website, so if you are still looking to join a CG, please reach out to cg@graceseattle.org.

## DISCOVER

#### **Free Parenting Webinars**

Shoreline Christian School is hosting two webinars by Christy Keating, J.D. & Certified Parent Coach® Owner, Savvy Parents Safe Kids Founder, The Heartful Parent and The Heartful Parent Academy. June 2, 7:30-9:00 pm PST: "Optimizing Online Safety: Tips for Parents in a Time of Tech" and June 23, 7:30-9:00 pm PST: "Outside the B.O.C.S." Parenting: Managing Challenges from Toddlers to Teens. Pre-Register at:

heartfulparentacademy.mykajabi.com/shoreline-christian

#### The Barnabas Podcast is Live!

All episodes of our new, 7-episode series "<u>The Barnabas Podcast</u>" are now available. They feature interviews with author Wendy Alsup, biblical studies professor Jeff Dryden, Eric & Joy Hadden, Seattle Pacific professor Tom Carpenter, and our own Danielle Taniguchi. The show provides stories of how God is at work in peoples' lives and critical teaching for our cultural moment. Search for "Barnabas" in your preferred podcast player to subscribe. We will be releasing one episode every other Wednesday. If you like it, please rate on iTunes to help spread the word.

#### **Spiritual Direction**

Questions or desiring more information please contact Renee Huie, <u>renee@soulcareseattle.com</u>, Dan Huie,

dan@soulcareseattle.com or Shelly Morse, <u>shelly@graceseattle.org</u>, for other resources visit Soul Care Seattle. They are now hosting meetings through Zoom. Please do not let cost be a barrier as Renee, Dan, and Shelly would like to donate a portion of their time during this crisis to those within our Grace Community.

#### A Key to Liturgy for Kids

Learn what the small symbols in our OW mean.

# SERVE

# New Service Opportunity with YCG & Serving the City

YCG is launching a new service opportunity to support local artists in the Seattle area this Summer. For the next 8 weeks, our Youth Community Group will work synergistically with four local artists to create a small and thoughtful way for our congregation to support their craft. Our Sunday meetings will be aimed at prayerfully setting up a way to enjoy and support our four friends. Please encourage your teens to participate and join us this Sunday! Questions? Email Foxy Davison, foxyandjason@g.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

# Weekly Serving Opportunity with First AME Church

F.A.M.E. Church, (First African Methodist Episcopal), on 14th and Pine is holding a weekly food giveaway on Friday's at 12pm. Pastor Carey Anderson and Sister Denise Williams have reached out to us for two reasons: (1) If anyone needs food and non-perishables to please come and take advantage of their weekly distribution, (2) F.A.M.E. could use no more than 2 volunteers from Grace every Friday to help with the giveaway. There is no driving or transporting food involved, but simply distributing food from their food pantry, (within social distancing protocols). This is a wonderful way to strengthen our relationship with F.A.M.E. and serve our city during this critical time. If you would like more details and are interested in volunteering, please email Pastor Jason at jason@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 <u>paigelively@gmail.com</u>.

#### **Deacons Fund**

Our Deacons Fund exists to help those in our congregation and community who are facing unexpected financial need. This is an incredible way to lovingly and sacrificially support those whose lives have been impacted by difficult life circumstances. To give to our Deacons fund, go to the <u>Giving section</u> of our website. To request financial assistance during this time, please get in touch with our deacons (<u>deacons@graceseattle.org</u>).

#### Food and Household Supply Drop Off

Dan & Renée Huie are also establishing a non-perishable food and household supply drop-off location at the Layne, 1252 16th Ave E, Seattle, WA 98112.We are partnering with local organizations to get this food delivered to seniors and shut-ins in the community. You can <u>contact Dan & Renée</u> directly for more information.

#### Have an Idea for Serving?

Pray for how we can continue to partner with the infrastructure of our city and individual neighborhoods. If you have stories of how you are doing this now, or ideas for the future, please contact Pastor Jason, jason@graceseattle.org.

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

5/31 Pentecost Sunday Worship Service 10 AM

**6/7 First Sunday after Pentecost** Worship Service 10 AM

6/14 Second Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service 10 AM

6/21 Third Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service 10 AM

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