



GRACE

CHURCH SEATTLE

MAKING DISCIPLES. SERVING THE CITY.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, January 11, 2015

9:00 am and 11:30 am

graceseattle.org

GRACE CHURCH SEATTLE

*Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!*

- Psalm 95:6

No matter who you are—a committed follower of Jesus, a person curious about Christianity, or a skeptic of spirituality—God is calling you to worship him. Wherever you are on the journey, we hope that you feel welcomed and at home. Perhaps you have never been to church (or not in a long time) and fear that you will not know what to do, how to act, or what to say. Be assured: God's grace is for people just like you.

In our congregation, we follow an ancient liturgical pattern in our worship, drawing from the wisdom of Christians who have gone before us. Every Sunday we renew our commitment to God, offer him our prayers and gifts, confess our sins, receive forgiveness, hear from God's word, and celebrate the Lord's Supper together.

We find worshipping this way liberates us from our culture's obsession with that which is novel. We have also found worshipping this way to be deeply and profoundly formative over time. If you are not used to worship, or not used to worshipping in this manner, give yourself some time to get acclimated. We also make every effort to explain things as we go along.

Although we are committed to worshipping in this manner, we realize that the danger of liturgical worship is that it can become an empty ritual. We understand that, at its heart, worship is profoundly relational. It encompasses both our relationship with God and our relationship with one another. Every week we gather to meet with God, strengthen our ties to one another, and welcome strangers into our congregation. For these reasons, although our worship is structured and informed by ancient practices, we also strive for it to be warm and personal.

In all of this, our great confidence is that God enjoys meeting with us.

Let us worship!

WORSHIP SERVICE

Sundays, 9:00 am and 11:30 am
Meeting in the Volunteer Park Seventh-day Adventist church building (1300 E Aloha St).

NURSERY

Available for 6 months to 2 years during Christian Formation Hour and the worship services.
Located in the Chapel, next to the Sanctuary (upstairs).

GRACE KIDS

During Worship Service (9:00 am - 1:00 pm)
2-3 years: Room 117
4-5 years: Room 119
5-8 years: Room 103 *during 2nd service sermon only*

YCG

First and third Sundays (10:30 am - 11:15 am)
Grades 7-12: Room 102

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Grace Kids Christian Formation Classes (10:30 am - 11:15 am)
2-3 years: Room 117
4-5 years: Room 119
Kindergarten: Room 103
1st/2nd grade: Room 110
3rd/4th grade: Room 218
5th/6th grade: Room 217
Sunday Morning Prayer Gathering (10:30 am - 11:15 am)
Foyer Office

FOR REFLECTION

The first duty of love is to listen.

- Paul Tillich

Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

- I John 4:8-11

Concepts create idols; only wonder understands anything.

- Gregory of Nyssa



SUNDAY, JANUARY 11, 2015
FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

STANDING

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 103

Praise the LORD, O my soul,
all my inmost being,
praise his holy name!

Praise the LORD, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits:
he forgives all our iniquity,
he heals all our diseases,
he redeems our lives from the pit,
he crowns us with love and compassion,
he satisfies our desires with good things
so that our youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Praise the LORD, O my soul,
all my inmost being,
praise his holy name!

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

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

Bless the Lord

Jonas Myrin, Matt Redman

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Bless the Lord, o my soul, o my soul,
wor-ship his ho - ly name. Sing like ne - ver be-fore,
o my soul. I'll wor-ship your ho - ly name. 1. The
sun comes up, it's a new day dawn-ing; it's time to sing your song
— a- gain. What -ev -er may pass, and what -ev -er lies be - fore me,
let me be sing-ing when the even - ing comes. 2. You're
3. And
rich in love, and you're slow to an-ger. Your name is great, and your
on that day when my strength is fail-ing, the end draws near, and my
heart is kind. For all your good-ness, I will keep on sing-ing;
time has come; still my soul will sing your praise un - end - ing:
ten thou - sand rea - sons for my heart to find. Bless the
ten thou - sand years and then for - e - ver - more!
Lord, o my soul, o my soul, wor - ship his ho - ly name. Sing
ne - ver be - fore, o my soul. I'll
wor - ship your ho - ly name. (repeat refrain last time) 3. And

SEATED

LECTIO SACRA

1 Corinthians 13

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

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.

INTERLUDE

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

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.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Adapted from A New Zealand Prayer Book

***Almighty and merciful God,
we have sinned against you,
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with all our heart.
We have not loved others as you have loved us.
We are truly sorry.
In your mercy
forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be.
That we may
delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
through Jesus Christ our Savior.***

(You are invited to confess your sins silently.)

RECEIVING OF GRACE

Adapted from Colossians 1

God has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints of light.

***God has delivered us from the domain of darkness
and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son,
in whom we have redemption,
the forgiveness of our sins.***

May the peace of God be with you.

And also with you!

HYMN OF GOD'S LOVE

Amazing Grace John Newton 1779 (last stanza author unknown), "New Britain" 1831
Amazing grace! *Through many dangers,*
How sweet the sound *toils and snares,*
That saved a wretch like me! *I have already come;*
I once was lost, *'Tis grace hath brought*
but now am found; *me safe thus far,*
Was blind, but now I see. *And grace will lead me home.*

'Twas grace that taught *When we've been there*
my heart to fear, *ten thousand years,*
And grace my fears relieved; *Bright shining as the sun,*
How precious did *We've no less days*
that grace appear *to sing God's praise*
The hour I first believed. *Than when we'd first begun.*

PRAYING THE PSALMS

Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,

ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;

worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

The voice of the LORD is over the waters;

the God of glory thunders,

the LORD, over many waters.

The voice of the LORD is powerful;

the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;

the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf,

and Sirion like a young wild ox.

The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.

The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;

the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth

and strips the forests bare,

and in his temple all cry, "Glory!"

The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;

the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.

May the LORD give strength to his people!

May the LORD bless his people with peace!

Psalm 29

*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.*

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.

Gloria Patri

*Gloria Patri, 2nd cent.
 Karl Digerness, 2009*

3 Glo-ry be__ to the Fa - ther, glo-ry be__ to the Son,
 5 Glo-ry be__ to the Spi - rit, Three in One. As it
 7 was in the__ be- gin - ing it will be__ for - ev - er A - men,
 2 A - men, A - men.

S E A T E D

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.

GOSPEL LESSON

*Love
 1 Corinthians 13
 Rev. Pat Roach*

Rev. Pat Roach is preaching to us today. Pat lives in Portland, Oregon where he spent the last 8 years planting Hope Presbyterian Church in the Grant Park neighborhood of Northeast Portland. Pat is currently the West Coast Area Coordinator of Reformed University Fellowship, the campus ministry of the Presbyterian Church in America.

Grace Kids order of worship is available in the lobby for kids 5 years old and up. Sermon activity for kids ages 5-8 in room 103. Information for all ages on inside front cover.

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.

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 feel under no compulsion to give. Please let us know you've joined us today, as well as any comments or prayer requests, by placing your comment card in the offering basket.

SIT, STAND, OR KNEEL

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of glory, fill this congregation and this city with the power of Christ's resurrection. May we, your people, be a living demonstration of the new life you offer in Christ.

We pray for this congregation,

that we would reflect your grace, compassion, and justice.

(Pray silently for the mission of Grace Seattle; Andy & Rachel Pelander and All Souls; Jason & Foxy Davison and Jubilee Community; James B. & Renée Notkin and Union Church; Rev. Carey Anderson and First AME Church.)

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for our friends who do not yet know you,

that you would draw them to your fountain of life.

(Pray silently for those who need a relationship with God.)

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for the City of Seattle and our world.

Unleash your redemptive power and restore what is broken.

(Pray silently for God to pour out his life upon our city. Pray for just and redeemed race relations in our country.)

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for the sick and suffering.

Bring healing where it is needed.

(Pray for those who are battling sickness, disease, infertility, and mental illness.)

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

**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.**

HYMN OF PETITION

Jesus, With Thy Church Abide

Thomas B. Pollock, 1871
Christopher Miner © 1997 Christopher Miner Music

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.

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.

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

HYMN OF FAITH

The Solid Rock

Edward Mote 1834, William B. Bradbury 1863

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

BENEDICTION

Psalm 29:11

May the Lord give strength to his people!

May the Lord bless his people with peace! **Amen.**

SENDING

Let us go forth and serve the world

as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God!*Sermons can be streamed and downloaded at graceseatle.org/sermons**Unless otherwise noted, all Scripture quotations are from The Holy Bible, English Standard Version® (ESV®), copyright © 2001 by Crossway, a publishing ministry of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved.*



ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

New Christian Formation Class Begins Next Sunday - *Sunday, January 18, 10:30 am.* Drew Billups will be teaching this six week class on Economics and the Church during Christian Formation hour at 10:30 am. More info on page 14.

Congregational Meeting - *Sunday, February 1, 10:30 am.* During this meeting we will be presenting the 2015 budget. All members and attendees are invited. For questions, contact any of the elders (information on the back page).

Grace Women's Retreat - *February 27 - March 1.* Debbie Smith will be speaking on "Beloved...Daughters of the King" at this year's women's retreat. Early Bird registration ends on Sunday, January 25! For a full weekend, the cost is \$125 or \$55 for Saturday only. After January 25, a full weekend is \$140 or Saturday only for \$60. If you need financial assistance, please email Karissa Taylor. Details on the retreat are available on the registration site.

Register: (graceseattlewomen.eventbrite.com) or in the lobby after the service.

Contact: Karissa Taylor (karissalynnetaylor@gmail.com)

Call for Submissions - Grace Gallery is looking for art works for the next show in February-March. Please email Heidi for more information.

Contact: Heidi Hansen (heidi@graceseattle.org)

Serve at the Welcome Table - Do you enjoy meeting people and making them feel welcome? The Welcome Table after the 11:30 am service could use your gifts!

Contact: Renée Huie, (reneethuie@comcast.net)

Serve in Grace Kids - Nurturing children's faith is an honor and responsibility of the church. We need a wide variety of people to continue to do this well at Grace. Please make space for our kids in your schedule. Contact Heidi, or pick up an application at the Grace Kids check-in table in the foyer.

Contact: Heidi Hansen (heidi@graceseattle.org)



WOMEN'S HAPPY HOUR

A quarterly event for women to make new connections.

Contact: *Karissa Taylor (karissalynnetaylor@gmail.com)*

MANGROUP (A GROUP FOR MEN)

A casual group for men to spend time in fellowship with one another.

Contact: *Dan Koch (dancoke@gmail.com)*

DIACONATE

Grace's deacons provide care for the needs of the church community.

Contact: *deacons@graceseattle.org*

PARENTS' EMAIL LIST

Connect with other parents and share resources and requests.

Group email: *graceparents@googlegroups.com*

Contact: *Linn Haralson (linn@graceseattle.org), Karissa Taylor (karissalynnetaylor@gmail.com)*

BOOK CLUB

Delicious food and discussion of award-winning literature (mostly fiction). Upcoming monthly potluck brunch meetings (Saturdays, 10:30 am) and books:

- January 24 - *Anna Karenina* by Leo Tolstoy (7715 15th Avenue NE)
- February 21 - *Americanah* by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie (8231 Densmore Ave N)
- March 21 - *The Narrow Road to the Deep North* by Richard Flanagan (7715 15th Avenue NE)

Group email: *seattlebookgroup@googlegroups.com*

Contact: *Amy Grooms (amy@graceseattle.org) to RSVP or for information*

INFERTILITY SUPPORT GROUP

No matter where you are in the journey of infertility, you are not alone. We are a small group of women affected by infertility and all of its collateral damage. We meet regularly to pray, share our stories, and encourage one another as we face these difficult battles. We would love for you to join us. Please contact Karissa Taylor for details or with any other questions.

Contact: *Karissa Taylor (karissalynnetaylor@gmail.com)*

REFORMED UNIVERSITY FELLOWSHIP (RUF)

Our denomination's college ministry has weekly large group meetings at the University of Washington with worship, teaching, and fellowship, as well as small groups and many events. If you're a student in Seattle, come join us!

Contact: *Drew Burdette (drew.burdette@ruf.org)*

Website: *uw.ruf.org*

YCG

Youth Community Group is a place for everyone in 7th-12th grade to spend time in fellowship with one another. Meets every first and third Sunday from 10:30 am to 11:15 am in Room 102.

Contact: *Lauren Ewer (lauren@graceseattle.org)*

GIVING

We can receive automatic contributions from most banks. If you'd like help getting set up, email *office@graceseattle.org*.



COMMUNITY GROUPS

Community Groups are places of care and community where we live the Christian life together. For more information or to host or lead a group, please contact Matt Parzybok (matt@graceseattle.org).

NEIGHBORHOOD	CONTACT	WHEN	ABOUT
Ballard	Andy & Hannah Garcia andygarcia@gmail.com hannahgracegarcia@gmail.com	Thursdays, except fourth Thursday 7:00 pm	Contact us for address.
Beacon Hill 5804 17th Ave S	Justin & Courtney Sikes courtneysikes@gmail.com jbsikes33@yahoo.com	Second and fourth Sundays 4:30 pm	We have dinner and discuss the sermon. Kid friendly.
Bellevue 12412 NE 6th Place	Candice & Delbert Dueck dcdueck@gmail.com	Every other Sunday 5:00pm	Kid friendly.
Capitol Hill 1422B 25th Ave	Amanda Cook ajtame1@gmail.com	Every other Thursday 6:30 pm	Dinner included.
Capitol Hill 500 Belmont Ave E Apt 302	Rob & Mary McMurray rdmcmurray@gmail.com mary@graceseattle.org	Wednesdays, except third Wednesday 7:00 pm	A group of singles and marrieds in their 20s and 30s with no kids. We discuss the sermon, share our lives, and drink good beer.
Capitol Hill	Michael & Amy Taron michael.taron@gmail.com amy.taron@gmail.com	Tuesdays 7:30 pm	Contact us for address.
Columbia City 5351 A 48th Ave S	Tess Trinitade tesstrinidad@gmail.com	Thursdays 7:30 pm	A group of 20 somethings applying the sermon to our lives while eating hodge- podge meals and praying for each other. New and improved with an infant.
Eastlake 2714 Fairview Ave. E Apt 3	Miriam Decker miriammdecker@hotmail.com	Wednesdays, except third Wednesday 7:00 pm	Singles and marrieds in their 20s-40s, following the sermon series.
Eastside	Greg & Pamela Hohman greg.hohman@outlook.com pamela.kortrey@gmail.com	Second Friday of each month 6:00 pm	Family-friendly group. Come hungry, we'll share a meal together.
Greenlake 8231 Densmore Ave N	Nat & Karissa Taylor nat@graceseattle.org karissa.taylor@kingcounty.gov	2nd and 4th Saturday 9:00 am	Kid friendly.



NEIGHBORHOOD	CONTACT	WHEN	ABOUT
Greenwood	Ryan & Jenny James ryan@ryanjam.es jenny@jennydjames.com	1st and 3rd Thursdays 6:00 pm	Potluck dinner, then casual and intentional discussion. Kid friendly.
Hawthorne Hills 4743 NE 55th St	Orion Ifland orion@ifland.net	2nd and 4th Saturday 9:00 am	Babysitting provided.
North Greenwood 11253 Fremont Ave N	Eric DeMoney & Nate Andrews rdemoney@gmail.com n8randrews@gmail.com	1st and 3rd Saturday 10:00 am	Family oriented CG that is just expanding from existing CG. Babysitting provided
North Seattle 14331 22nd Ave NE	Silas Snider swsnider@gmail.com	Every other Sunday 6:00 pm	Dinner included.
North Seattle 820 NE 128th St	Darik and Jo Taniguchi dariktaniguchi@gmail.com taniguchijo@gmail.com	Every other Sunday 5:00 pm	Dinner included.
Queen Anne	Eric & Joy Hadden hadden.eric.a@gmail.com joybhadden@gmail.com	Wednesdays, except third Wednesday 7:30 pm	A group of singles and marrieds in their 20s and 30s. Laid back, either discussing the sermon or sharing what's going on in each other's lives. Contact us for address
Ravenna/Roosevelt 7715 15th Ave NE	Lee & Amy Grooms lee@graceseattle.org amy@graceseattle.org	Wednesdays 7:00 pm	20s-40s, single and not, considering what it means to follow Jesus together.
Sandpoint/Viewridge 4320 NE 58th Street	Edna Parzybok ednaparz@gmail.com	Every other Wednesday 6:30 pm	Kid-friendly, but come no matter what stage of life you're in (single, married without kids, etc.)
Shoreline 15565 9th Ave NE	Dan Koch & Jaffrey Bagge dancoke@gmail.com jaffreyrose@gmail.com	First Monday of each month 7:00 pm	Potluck dinner, then casual and intentional discussion. Once-a-month frequency may be good for those with children or in a very busy seasons.
South Seattle 3720 37th Ave S	Santino Pascua santinopascua@yahoo.com	Wednesdays 6:00 pm	Potluck dinner, then casual and intentional discussion. Very diverse group but unified under Christ. Kid Friendly.

**Economics and the Church**

We live in a capitalist society. The character of our economy has a massive impact on our everyday lives – the things we purchase, our education, and careers are shaped by the market. If Christ is Lord, then he is sovereign over all these things. What does it mean to think theologically about the market? How does our Christian commitment affect our economic choices? We will raise questions about what it looks like to allow the Gospel to transform the way we engage with the marketplace.

When: Sundays starting January 18, 10:30 am

Where: Sanctuary

Class Leader: Drew Billups (drewbillups@hotmail.com)

Prayer Gathering

This is a great time of community building to pray for God's glory and leading, personal prayer requests, and growth in our church body and the city.

When: Sunday, 10:30 am

Where: Foyer Office

Contact: Dan Huie (dan@graceseattle.org)

Men's Bible Study

We are reading through the book of Deuteronomy together. We hope you can join us. Coffee and pastries will be provided.

When: Second & Fourth Wednesday, 6:00-7:00 am. The next meeting is January 14.

Where: Grace Seattle Office (400 E Pine St, Suite 215)

Contact: Adam Schuyler (adam@graceseattle.org, 206.383.4854)

Grace Kids

Grace Kids exists to cultivate the love of God in the lives and hearts of all children that encounter Grace Church Seattle. Each class explores God's story found in scripture and our place in it, and engages in a variety of activities to foster a sense of wonder, worship, and community.

When: Every Sunday

Where: See the inside front cover for class location

Contact: Heidi Hansen (heidi@graceseattle.org)

Introduction to Grace Seattle

A course offered each Spring and Fall to learn more about our ministry and philosophy. The next course is March 20-21.

Contact: Mary McMurray (mary@graceseattle.org)



IN OUR CONGREGATION

Hospitality: The Coffee ministry needs a few more people to help out with set-up or clean-up once a month. The Welcome Table could also use a few volunteers, so if you enjoy meeting new people and making them feel welcome, this ministry could use your gifts.

Coffee Ministry Contact: Erin Christensen (erin@graceseattle.org)

Welcome Table Contact: Renée Huie (reneethuie@comcast.net)

Serve in Grace Kids - Grace Kids needs kind adults to serve as helpers in all our classes. The commitment is once a month during either worship service.

Contact: Heidi Hansen (heidi@graceseattle.org)

Meals Ministry - Serves 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.

Contact: Sara Huey (meals@graceseattle.org)

Sound assistance needed! Ever had an interest in recording and mixing live music? Grace is in immediate need of more people to help bolster our sound techs team! No prior experience necessary, just a willingness to learn.

Contact: Jess Alldredge (jess@graceseattle.org)

Sunday Worship Servers: Greet and usher, read scripture, or help serve communion.

Contact: Mary McMurray (mary@graceseattle.org)

IN SEATTLE

Lifelong AIDS Alliance: Grace Seattle delivers pre-made meals once a week to individuals living with or at risk of HIV/AIDS and/or other chronic diseases.

Contact: Coleen Marta (coleen@graceseattle.org)

Website: llaa.org

Operation Nightwatch: Join the group from Grace that cooks and serves dinner on the third Wednesday of each month (7:00-10:00 pm) for non-housed and low-income people at the Operation Nightwatch Dispatch Center in the International District.

Contact: Miriam Decker (miriammdecker@hotmail.com)

Website: seattlenightwatch.org

Penny's Place: A ministry of Northwest Family Life, Penny's Place is a shelter for abused women and children.

Contact: Hope Brian (baldwin.hope@gmail.com)

Website: pennysplace.info

For more information on serving in Seattle, contact Coleen Marta (coleen@graceseattle.org).

IN OUR WORLD

Sacred Road Ministries: A ministry that serves our "first neighbors" on the Yakama Reservation in central Washington. Grace is sending a team to serve next summer, July 11-18, 2015.

Contact: Dan Huie (dan@graceseattle.org)

Website: sacredroadministries.com

For more information on serving in our world, contact Abby St. Hilaire (abby@graceseattle.org).

S E R M O N T E X T

[1] If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. [2] And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. [3] If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

[4] Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant [5] or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; [6] it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. [7] Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

[8] Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. [9] For we know in part and we prophesy in part, [10] but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. [11] When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. [12] For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

[13] So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

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