



Order of Worship
February 14, 2016
9:00 am and 11:30 am



Worship Service

Sundays 1300 E Aloha St
First Service 9:00 AM
Second Service 11:30 AM

Christian Formation

10:30 AM
Kindergarten: Room 103
1st-2nd grade: FH
3rd-4th grade: Room 110
5th-6th grade: Room 217
Youth: Room 102
Adult: Sanctuary

FIRST SERVICE

Nursery
6 months - 2 years

Grace Kids

2s: Room 117
3s: Fellowship Hall (FH)
4-5 years: Room 119
5-8 years: Room 103 (first
service sermon time)

SECOND SERVICE

Nursery
6 months - 3 years

Winter 2016

*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!

FOR REFLECTION

By all means marry. If you get a good wife, you'll become happy. If you get a bad one, you'll become a philosopher.

Socrates

Christian singles are a radical witness to the resurrection. They forfeit heirs—their only other possibility of their survival beyond the grave—in the hope that one day all creation will be renewed. The Christian single makes no sense if the God of Jesus Christ is not living and true.

Rodney Clapp

Single life may be only a stage of a life's journey, but even a stage is a gift. God may replace it with another gift, but the receiver accepts His gifts with thanksgiving. This gift for this day. The life of faith is lived one day at a time, and it has to be lived—not always looked forward to as though the 'real' living were around the next corner. It is today for which we are responsible. God still owns tomorrow.

Elisabeth Elliot

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
CALL TO WORSHIP

Standing

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

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

Adapted from Isaiah 43:19-21

Let us worship God, who has done great things.

**We rejoice in our God, who makes a way
through the wilderness of this life.**

Let us worship God, who causes streams of mercy
to flow in the wasteland.

**We are the people God has formed through Christ;
we worship him, and we rejoice!**

Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

We praise God for the grace that has saved us.

Alleluia! We rejoice!

Oh! Great Is Our God!

**Oh! Great is our God! So we should worship greatly!
No song is too loud! No orchestra too stately
To hail the majesty of our King
So lift your voices loud as we sing**

**Oh! Great is our God! So let our songs be endless!
So awesome his ways, how could we comprehend them?
So we will make it known to our kids
And we will sing about the gracious gifts you give**

**Refrain: We will sing your praise and pour forth your fame
We will bless your name
Let ev'ry one give thanks, because our God is great!**

**Oh! Great is our God! And we cannot contain it!
We sing from our souls, affected by his greatness
His mercy covers all that he's made
Showing his glory and his grace**

Refrain (3x)

Seated

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1 Corinthians 7:25-35

Now concerning the betrothed, I have no command from the Lord, but I give my judgment as one who by the Lord's mercy is trustworthy. I think that in view of the present distress it is good for a person to remain as he is. Are you bound to a wife? Do not seek to be free. Are you free from a wife? Do not seek a wife. But if you do marry, you have not sinned, and if a betrothed woman marries, she has not sinned. Yet those who marry will have worldly troubles, and I would spare you that. This is what I mean, brothers: the appointed time has grown very short. From now on, let those who have wives live as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no goods, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

I want you to be free from anxieties. The unmarried man is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to please the Lord. But the married man is anxious about worldly things, how to please his wife, and his interests are divided. And the unmarried or betrothed woman is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to be holy in body and spirit. But the married woman is anxious about worldly things, how to please her husband. I say this for your own benefit, not to lay any restraint upon you, but to promote good order and to secure your undivided devotion to the Lord.

The word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

INTERLUDE

Standing

CONFESSION OF SIN

God of mercy,

you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost.

***We confess that we have strayed from you
and turned aside from your way.***

We are misled by pride,

***for we see ourselves pure when we are stained
and great when we are small.***

We have failed in love,

***neglected justice,
and ignored your truth.***

Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin.

***Return us to paths of righteousness
through Jesus Christ, our Savior.***

(You are invited to confess your sins silently)



"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.

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.

Ben Kilgore, David Gungor,
Evan Wickham, Ian Cron,
and John Arndt

You Hear Us Calling

You hear us calling; you hear us calling,
Ab-ba, Fa-ther; You hear us calling; you hear us calling,
Ab-ba, Fa-ther. Lord, have
mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy;
Christ, have mer-cy.
1. Christ, have mer-cy.
2. mer-cy. D.S. 3. Lord, have mer-cy.



RECEIVING OF GRACE

Adapted from Ezekiel 36 & 2 Corinthians 1

The Lord has said to us:

***I will give you a new heart
and put a new spirit within you;
I will remove from you your heart of stone
and give you a heart of flesh.***

Brothers and sisters:

In Christ, all God's promises are "Yes."

Hear the good news:

Through Jesus Christ,
our minds and hearts are cleansed, healed, and renewed!

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

HYMN OF ATONEMENT

Jesus Paid It All

5 I hear the Sa-vior say, thy strength in-deed is small. Child of
Lor-d now in-deed I find Thy pow'r and Thine a-lone can-
And when be-fore the throne I stand in Him com-plete. Je-sus
wea-kness watch and pray, find in Me thine all in all. Je - sus paid it
change the le-per's spots and melt the heart of stone.
10 died my soul to save. My lips shall still re-peat:
13 all, all to Him I owe. 1. 2. 7
Sin had left a crim-son stain; He washed it white as snow.
3.
Sin had left a crim-son stain; He washed it white as snow. He
washed it white as snow. He washed it white as snow. 2
O praise the One who paid my debt and raised this life up from the dead. (O)

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PRAYING THE PSALMS

Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 NRSV

Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High
will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.

***I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress,
my God, in whom I trust."***

Because you have made the Lord your refuge,
the Most High your dwelling-place,
***no evil shall befall you,
no scourge come near your tent.***

For he will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.

***On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.
You will tread on the lion and the adder,
the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.***

(continued)



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.

Those who love me, I will deliver;
 I will protect those who know my name.
When they call to me, I will answer them;
I will be with them in trouble,
I will rescue them and honor them.
With long life I will satisfy them,
and show them my salvation.

HYMN OF GOD'S LOVE

We Are Not Overcome

Isaac Wardell and Robert Heiskell, © 2011 Bifrost Arts

1. Flesh will fail and bones will break; thieves will
 2. Put no trust in the earth, in the
 3. Have no fear for your life; turn your

steal, the earth will shake. Night will fall, the light will
 you stand up on. Flow - ers fade in - to
 cheek! Turn your cheek! Bear the yoke of love and

1. 4
 fade; The Lord will give and take a-way:
 dust; The Lord will make a place for
 death; The Lord will give all life and

2. 3.
 us: Be-cause of his great love, we are not o-ver - come!
 breath:

— Be -cause of his great love, we are

4
 not o - ver come!

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



GOSPEL LESSON
Sanctifying Singleness
1 Corinthians 7:25-35
 Rev. Mark Swanson

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.

Rev. Mark Swanson is preaching to us today. Mark lives in Vancouver, B.C. where he is the Associate Pastor of Grace Vancouver Church. Prior to moving to Vancouver, Mark served as Pastor to the Homeless at All Angels Church in New York City. He has a passion for social justice, ecumenicism, hockey, and looking for God in the everyday moments of life.

Sermons can be streamed and downloaded at graceseatle.org/resources and on iTunes. Grace Kids order of worship is available in the lobby. Sermon time activity for kids ages 5-8 in room 103 during first service sermon time.

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 welcome card in the offering basket.



The song text below is given for reflection.

Teach Me, O Lord

*Teach me, O Lord, your way of truth,
and from it I will not depart;
that I may steadfastly obey,
give me an understanding heart.*

*text: Psalm 119, Genevan
Psalter, 1912 | music: Jess
Alldredge*

*In your commandments make me walk,
for in your law my joy shall be;
give me a heart that loves your will,
from discontent and envy free.*

*Your word sheds light upon my path;
a shining light, it guides my feet;
your sound judgments to observe,
my solemn vow I now repeat.*

*I thirst for your commandments, Lord,
and for your mercy press my claim;
O look on me and show your grace
displayed to all who love your name*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

O Jesus who wept over the death of Lazarus,

be with all who grieve. *(silent prayer)*

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

O Jesus who wept over the state of Jerusalem,

***be with our cities, our towns,
and our centers of worship.*** *(silent prayer)*

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

O Jesus who wept alone in Gethsemane,

***be with all who feel alone,
and all who face difficult decisions.*** *(silent prayer)*

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

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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.

O Jesus who cried,
 "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"
**be with all who are tortured,
 all who are victims,
 and all who feel abandoned by you.** (*silent prayer*)

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

**O Jesus who wept in sympathy and frustration,
 O living God who knows all our pain and joy,
 be with us in our lives.**

Standing

And now, let us pray together as Jesus taught us, saying,
**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

Come Messiah, Come (Psalm 102)

Jess Alldredge
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1. Lord, hear my prayer, and let my cry come be-fore you;
 2. I'm like a vul - ture in my own wild - er - ness;
 3. But you, O Lord, you are en - throned for - ev - er - more;

hide not your face from me in my day of trou - ble.
 lone de - sert owl, I fly a - bove de - so - late lands.
 you are re - mem - bered through - out all ge - ner - a - tions.

In - cline your ear to me; when I call, an - swer me; days drift a -
 I lie a - wake and groan; cast a - side; all a - lone. All day my
 You will a - rise and have com - pas - sion for Zi - on; for it is

way like smoke, my bones are hot as coals.
 e - ne - mies, armed with hate, curse my name.
 time to grant un - to her your fa - vor.

Come Me - ssi - ah, come. Come Me - ssi - ah, come.

Come Me - ssi - ah, come. Come Me -

1. 2. 3. **17**

ssi - ah, come.

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 the wine cup on the table, then proceed through the line.

Standing

HYMN OF HOPE

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

3

1. Come be - hold the won - drous my - stery in the
 2. Come be - hold the won - drous my - stery; he the
 3. Come be - hold the won - drous my - stery; Christ the
 4. Come be - hold the won - drous my - stery; slain by
 dawn - ing of the King. He the theme of hea - vens prai - ses, robed in
 per - fect Son of Man. In his li - ving, in his suf - fer - ing, ne - ver
 Lord up - on the tree. In the stead of ru - ined sin - ners hangs the
 death the God of life. But no grave could e'er re - strain him. Praise the

[Refrain]

frail hu - ma - ni - ty. In our long - ing, in our dark - ness, now the
 trace nor stain of sin. See the true and bet - ter A - dam, come to
 Lamb in vic - to - ry. See the price of our re - demp - tion, see the
 Lord; he is a - live! What a fore - taste of de - liv - erance, how un -

light of life has come. Look to Christ, who con - de -
 save the hell - bound man. Christ the great and sure ful -
 fa - ther's plan un - fold: Bring - ing ma - ny sons to
 wav - er - ing our hope. Christ in pow - er re - sur -

2

scend - ed; took on flesh to ran - som us. Come be
 fill - ment of the law; in him we stand.
 glo - ry; grace un - mea - sured, love un - told.
 rect - ed, as we will be when he comes. (Repeat refrain)

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.

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BENEDICTION

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

Now may the God of peace himself
 sanctify you completely,
 and may your whole spirit and soul and body
 be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.
 The one who calls you who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it. **Amen!**



SENDING

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

Thanks be to God!



UPCOMING EVENTS

See our full calendar at graceseattle.org/events/calendar
Sign up for our email list <http://eepurl.com/bpBC1r>

Upcoming Christian Formation Class *Shepherding Children's Sexual Development*

Begins Today @ 10:30 AM

Sanctuary

Class leaders: Nathaniel Taylor, Heidi Hansen, and Jordan Klekamp
In this three session class we will explore a positive theological framework of sexual development in children and how parents and trusted adults can work to protect them from abuse. We will also discuss our community's role in abuse prevention and response, and how to build a safe space for survivors of abuse to continue to heal. This class is for all adults in the congregation, whether single, married, with or without kids, and whether or not you serve in Grace Kids.

Occupational Connections: Stay-at-home Parents

Saturday, Feb 20 @ 10 AM-Noon

Grace Office, 400 E Pine St #215

Stay-at-home parents! Please join us for an opportunity to meet other parents at Grace who share the primary vocation of managing a home and caring for children. One of our goals at Grace this year is to provide opportunities for people within the same occupation to connect and get to know one another more, to share some common challenges, and discuss ways to grow in relationship with self, God and others while purposefully engaging with the work of each day. Please come child-less to this 2-hour event so that you can be fully present and available to participate in the conversation and interaction.

Women's Retreat!

March 4-6

Rainbow Lodge Retreat Center

The theme for this year's retreat is "The Unexpected Journey through Loneliness: Finding Connection with Yourself, God and Others." This is a great chance to get to know other women at Grace and enjoy some wonderful time of worship and fellowship together. \$145 for the full weekend, \$60 for Saturday only. Registration is now open at graceseattlewomen.eventbrite.com.

One Worship Service

March 6

Due to the Women's Retreat, we will have one service at 9:00 AM.

Men's Retreat

March 18-20

Rainbow Lodge Retreat Center

Join the men of Grace Seattle for fellowship, teaching, and fun. We'll be studying The Lord's Prayer over the course of the weekend, including time for solitary prayer. Whether you are a long time attendee of Grace or just finding your place, please join us. Register online at graceseattlemen.eventbrite.com and get the Early Bird rate of \$135 through Feb 22. Scholarships are also available.

Novum Chorus

In an effort to bring children into the musical worship of the church, we would like to start a children's choir. Rehearsals will likely take place on some Sundays between 11:30 AM-Noon. For ages 5 (kinder) to 18. Lead by Elizabeth Anderson.

Sign up here <http://goo.gl/forms/looH0iNfX4> or contact Heidi at heidi@graceseattle.org.

Sacred Road "Come and See" Mission Trip

July 2 - 9

Yakama Reservation, Yakima, WA

It's time to register! It's our 5th year and space is limited. Plan to attend one of two informational meetings: Feb 21 and April 10 at 10:30 AM, between services. These meetings are for those that are unsure, plan on going, or wish to be involved from home. Grace partners with Sacred Road Ministries because "We believe that the good news of the gospel is very powerful and can bring life, hope, and change to the reservation." Registration deadline is April 17. Cost is \$325 (includes meals, lodging and transportation) Please contact Dan Huie at dan@graceseattle.org if you have any further questions.

Help out in our toddler class

Do you like trains, coloring, storybooks and dolls? Then maybe you should work with our 2 and 3 year olds once a month at first service. We need several new people to help with our toddler group. They are really wonderful children and you will be blessed to know them. For more information and to start the application process, contact Heidi heidi@graceseattle.org. An orientation will be held in late February.

ONGOING EVENTS & GROUPS

Book Club

Saturdays @ 10:30 AM

8231 Densmore Ave N

Delicious food and discussion of award-winning literature.

› February 20 Between the World and Me; Ta-Nehisi Coates

› March 19 A God in Ruins; Kate Atkinson

Contact: Karissa Taylor karissalynnetaylor@gmail.com

Community Gatherings

Third Saturday of each month (excluding Feb)

400 E Pine St #215

Contact: Katie katherine.e.ross@gmail.com

Dinner for 6

Saturday, Feb 20

Dinner for 6 is a dinner hosted by a Grace attendee, who will then welcome 4 to 5 other attendees into their home (a total of 6 adults) as an opportunity to get to know other Grace Seattle people. All adults, single or married, are encouraged to sign up! Please come by the Connection Center in the foyer for more information or email Danielle Spangle at danielle@graceseattle.org to sign up. Please include in your email if you must host (due to child care reasons), would like to host, or would like to attend. We will be collecting sign-ups through February 14.

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.

Contact: Karissa Taylor karissalynnetaylor@gmail.com

Mangroup

Contact: Dan Koch dancoke@gmail.com

Play Group

Parents from Grace meet on a weekday morning in the Northgate neighborhood.

Contact: Ruth Haubenstein haubensteinr@gmail.com

Serving Seattle

Grace is committed to being a gift to our city. As a part of this, we help feed the homeless, care for homeless mothers and children, provide meals to people with HIV/AIDS and other chronic diseases. For more information on how to get involved and serve with others from our congregation, get in touch with Coleen.

Contact: Coleen Marta coleen@graceseattle.org

Women's Gatherings

Contact: Karissa Taylor karissalynnetaylor@gmail.com

CLASSIFIEDS

Bo Steadman is seeking a (preferably male) roommate in Lower Queen Anne. \$960/month including most utilities (except electrical), fully furnished. Available beginning of Feb. Please contact Bo at bsteadman711@gmail.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. Contact: Debbie Smith debbie@graceseattle.org

Neighborhood	Contact	Time	Info
BALLARD	Andy & Hannah Garcia andygarcia@gmail.com hannahgracegarcia@gmail.com	7:30 PM Wednesdays except 4th Wednesday	Mixed group of adults.
BEACON HILL	Erin Christensen suprhanson@gmail.com	7:00 PM 2nd & 3rd Wednesdays	Mixed group of adults.
BELLEVUE	Delbert & Candice Dueck dcdueck@gmail.com	5:00 PM Every other Sunday	Mixed group of adults. Children welcome. Babysitting provided.
CAPITOL HILL	Elizabeth Matzen elizabeth.matzen@gmail.com	7:30 PM Wednesdays	Young adults.
CAPITOL HILL	Michael & Amy Taron michael.taron@gmail.com amy.taron@gmail.com	7:30 PM Tuesdays	Young Adults.
CENTRAL DISTRICT	Amanda Cook ajtame1@gmail.com	6:30 PM Every other Thursday	Dinner included
EASTLAKE	Miriam Decker miriammdecker@hotmail.com	7:00 PM Wednesdays except 3rd Weds	Mixed group of adults.
GREEN LAKE	Mike Behnke & Gloria VonGeldern behnke.vongeldern@gmail.com	6:00 PM Wednesdays	Mixed group of adults. Potluck dinner. Children welcome.
HAWTHORNE HILLS	Orion & Rebecca Ifland orion@ifland.net becca.ifland@gmail.com	10:00 AM 2nd & 4th Saturdays	Mixed group of adults. Children welcome.
LAKE CITY	Grace Weigel rubishparty@hotmail.com	6:00 PM Every other Thursday	Mixed group of adults. Children welcome. Potluck Dinner.
LAKE FOREST PARK	Dan Koch & Jaffrey Bagge dancoke@gmail.com jaffreyrose@gmail.com	7:00 PM 1st Mondays	Mixed group of adults. Children welcome. Potluck dinner.
NORTH SEATTLE	Daniel & Jacqueline Rogers graddy462@gmail.com huntermare@gmail.com	7:30 PM Every other Wednesday	Young adults.
QUEEN ANNE	Eric & Joy Hadden hadden.eric.a@gmail.com joybhadden@gmail.com	6:30 PM 1st & 3rd Mondays	Mixed group of adults. Children welcome.
SANDPOINT	Edna Parzybok ednaparz@gmail.com	6:30 PM Every other Wednesday	Mixed group of adults. Children welcome.
SOUTH SEATTLE	Santino & Alica Pascua santinopascua@yahoo.com alicaknutson@hotmail.com	6:00 PM 1st Fridays 4:30 PM 3rd Sundays	Mixed group of adults. Potluck dinner. Children welcome. Babysitting provided.
SAMMAMISH	Greg Hohman & Pamela Kortrey greg.hohman@gmail.com pamela.kortrey@gmail.com	6:30 PM 1st Fridays 4:30 PM 3rd Sundays	Mixed group of adults. Potluck dinner. Children welcome.

SERMON TEXT

1 Corinthians 7:25-35

[25] Now concerning the betrothed, I have no command from the Lord, but I give my judgment as one who by the Lord's mercy is trustworthy. [26] I think that in view of the present distress it is good for a person to remain as he is. [27] Are you bound to a wife? Do not seek to be free. Are you free from a wife? Do not seek a wife. [28] But if you do marry, you have not sinned, and if a betrothed woman marries, she has not sinned. Yet those who marry will have worldly troubles, and I would spare you that. [29] This is what I mean, brothers: the appointed time has grown very short. From now on, let those who have wives live as though they had none, [30] and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no goods, [31] and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

[32] I want you to be free from anxieties. The unmarried man is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to please the Lord. [33] But the married man is anxious about worldly things, how to please his wife, [34] and his interests are divided. And the unmarried or betrothed woman is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to be holy in body and spirit. But the married woman is anxious about worldly things, how to please her husband. [35] I say this for your own benefit, not to lay any restraint upon you, but to promote good order and to secure your undivided devotion to the Lord.

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