



Order of Worship
September 26, 2021
[Livestream 10:30 am](#)



SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Live stream Worship 10:30 AM
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page on [YouTube](#)

Limited Nursery

6 months to 36 months
Registration required

Nursing Room

(Nursing moms only)
Back of sanctuary,
west side.

Family Room

Upstairs Chapel
Livestream viewing

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"If I find in myself desires which nothing in this world can satisfy, the only logical explanation is that I was made for another world."

C.S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*

Lewis' quote from *Mere Christianity* points to an inner discontent every human heart senses from time to time. In the silence of reflection, or in the fleeting realizations amidst a hurried state, there is a beckoning towards something peaceful, meaningful and full.

We simply desire more than we presently experience, and our hearts hear the call:

There is more.

Prior to a systematic understanding of doctrine or a vast lexicon of theology and spirituality, every person knows "the call" and either reaches out to embrace the whisper beyond our lived experience or resists the call, burying it under the weight of our obligations, ambitions and immediate desires.

The choice to respond to the call is a common phenomenon in the Bible. From the very beginning, this "call and response" is seen when God calls out the Void and it responds in obedience—yielding every created thing by His powerful commands. We then see promises offered to Humanity in the Garden and our First Parents are given an opportunity to embrace these call or to doubt it.

Moreover, the call/ response or promise/faith dynamic plays itself out for generations until it seems like all of Humanity has scattered turned their back on God.

It is then that we are presented with Abraham and Sarah; two people with that same common yearning, who hear that same call before there was a full systematic understanding of doctrine or a robust lexicon for who this "YHWH" is—and they embrace His will for their lives. They and their children are invited to embrace the One who calls order from chaos, fruitfulness out of barrenness, dreams in midst of heartbreak, and life out of certain death.

Our next series focuses on the call/response, promise/faith themes in Genesis 12-50, beginning with Abraham and ending with Joseph—and all passages pointing to a redemptive reality we know intimately in Christ, but only in whispers and shadows in the original texts. In these Scriptures, we get to likewise heed the Voice of the One who calls us out of our comforts—out of all that we know—to a life of faith and obedience. "For here we have no enduring City, but we seek the city that is to come (Hebrews 13:14)."

Come journey with us!

REFLECTION QUOTES

It is part of the destiny of our common faith that those who believe the promise and hope against barrenness nevertheless must live with the barrenness. Why and how does one continue to trust solely in the promise when the evidence against the promise is all around? It is this scandal that is faced here. It is Abraham's embrace of this scandal that makes him the father of faith.

Walter Brueggemann, "Introduction: Genesis"

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him.

Ephesians 1:3-4

Moment of honesty
Someone's gotta take the lead tonight
Whose it gonna be?
I'm gonna sit right here
And tell you all that comes to me
If you have something to say
You should say it right now

I was wondering maybe
Could I make you my baby
If we do the unthinkable would it make us look crazy
If you ask me I'm ready
(I'm ready, I'm ready)
If you ask me I'm ready
(I'm ready, I'm ready)

Alicia Keys, "Unthinkable"

WELCOME**PRELUDE**

Stand if able

CALL TO WORSHIP*Isaiah 49:13-16*

Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth;
break forth, O mountains, into singing!
For the Lord has comforted his people
and will have compassion on his afflicted.

But Zion said, "The Lord has forsaken me;
 my Lord has forgotten me."

"Can a woman forget her nursing child,
that she should have no compassion on the son of her womb?
Even these may forget,
yet the Lord will not forget us.

Behold, He have engraved us on the palms of His hands.

Amen! Praise the Lord!

Come Thou Fount

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace
 Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise
 Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above
 Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love

Here I raise my Ebenezer, hither by Thy help I'm come
 And I hope by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home
 Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God
 He to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood

Oh to grace how great a debtor, daily I'm constrained to be
 Let Thy goodness, like a fetter; bind my wandering heart to Thee
 Prone to wander, Lord I feel it, prone to leave the God I love
 Here's my heart, oh take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above

Seated

**PRAYER FOR OUR YOUTH COMMUNITY GROUP
 & GRACE KIDS MINISTRY**



The small symbols you will see throughout these pages correspond to a "Key to Liturgy" [available here](#) or printed and found in the lobby.

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.

Robert Robinson, 1758
John Wyeth, 1813



LECTIO SACRA

John 16:16-33

[16] "A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me." [17] So some of his disciples said to one another, "What is this that he says to us, 'A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'; and, 'because I am going to the Father'?" [18] So they were saying, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We do not know what he is talking about." [19] Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, "Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, 'A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me'? [20] Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. [21] When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. [22] So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you. [23] In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. [24] Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

[25] "I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. [26] In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; [27] for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. [28] I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father."

[29] His disciples said, "Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! [30] Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God." [31] Jesus answered them, "Do you now believe? [32] Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. [33] I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

"Lectio Sacra" means "sacred reading." It has been the practice of the church for thousands of years to have portions of the bible read during worship services. The assumption behind this practice is that we are people who need to be shaped by all of God's word.

INTERLUDE



CONFESSION OF SIN

Psalm 25:6-8, 11, 16-18

Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.

**Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
according to your steadfast love remember me,
for the sake of your goodness, O Lord!**

**Good and upright is the Lord;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.**

**For your name's sake, O Lord,
pardon my guilt, for it is great.**

**Turn to me and be gracious to me,
for I am lonely and afflicted.**

**The troubles of my heart are enlarged;
bring me out of my distresses.**

**Consider my affliction and my trouble,
and forgive all my sins.**



RECEIVING OF GRACE

2 Corinthians 1:20, 1 John 1:9, 1 Peter 4:8

Brothers and Sisters,

take heart that the promises of God are "Yes" and "Amen" in Christ!
So when we find ourselves doubting and fearful
remember this precious promise from the Lord:

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

Let us trust and believe the Gospel,
**that though our sins are great,
His grace is greater!**

And His love covers over a multitude of sins!
Amen!

May the peace of Christ be with you!
And also with you!

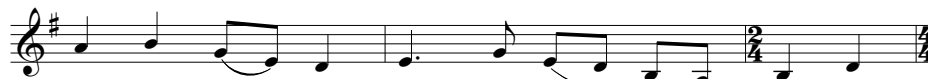
Come You Sinners Poor And Needy



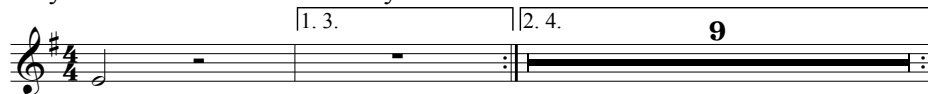
1. Come, you sin - ners, poor and need - y,
2. Let not cons - cience make you lin - ger,
3. Come, you wea - ry, heav - y lad - en,
4. Come, a - rise, and go to Je - sus,



weak and wound - ed sick and sore; Je - sus read - y
 nor of fit - ness fond - ly dream; all that he re -
 lost and ru - ined by the fall; if you tar - ry
 he will take you in his arms; in the love of



stands to save you, full of pit - y, love, and
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Joseph Hart 1759
 W. Walker's Southern Harmony
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PRAYING THE PSALMS

Psalms 119: 89-96



Forever, O Lord, your word
 is firmly fixed in the heavens.

**Your faithfulness endures to all generations;
 you have established the earth, and it stands fast.**

**By your appointment they stand this day,
 for all things are your servants.**

If your law had not been my delight,
 I would have perished in my affliction.

**I will never forget your precepts,
 for by them you have given me life.**

**I am yours; save me,
 for I have sought your precepts.**

The wicked lie in wait to destroy me,
 but I consider your testimonies.

**I have seen a limit to all perfection,
 but your commandment is exceedingly broad.**

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.

Steadfast

Sandra McCracken, Leslie Jordan, and Josh Silverberg
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1. I will build my house, whether storm or drought, on the
 2. By the word you spoke are the starry host, all called
 3. I will not trust in the strength of kings, on your
 rock that does not move. I will set my hope in your
 out by name each night. In your watchful care I will
 promise I will stand. I will shout for joy, I will
 love, oh Lord, and your faithful-ness will prove: You are
 rest secure, as you lead us with your light. You are
 raise my voice: Hal-le-lu-jah to the lamb! You are
 1.
 stead-fast, stead-fast, 2. By the
 stead-fast, stead-fast,
 stead-fast, stead-fast.
 2. 3. 1.
 .. You are stead-fast, stead-fast. 3. I
 2.
 4. In the moment of emptiness all was fulfilled, in the
 ho-ur of dark-ness your light was re-vealed, in the pre-sence of death your
 life was af-firmed, in the ab-sence of ho-li-ness you are still God. You are
 (Repeat 4x)
 stead-fast, stead-fast. You are

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

In The Dark

Genesis 15

Rev. Jason Davison

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

SERMON TEXT

[1] After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." [2] But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" [3] And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir." [4] And behold, the word of the Lord came to him: "This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir." [5] And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." [6] And he believed the Lord, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

[7] And he said to him, "I am the Lord who brought you out from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to possess." [8] But he said, "O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" [9] He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." [10] And he brought him all these, cut them in half, and laid each half over against the other. But he did not cut the birds in half. [11] And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

[12] As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell on Abram. And behold, dreadful and great darkness fell upon him. [13] Then the Lord said to Abram, "Know for certain that your offspring will be sojourners in a land that is not theirs and will be servants there, and they will be afflicted for four hundred years. [14] But I will bring judgment on the nation that they serve, and afterward they shall come out with great possessions. [15] As for you, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried in a good old age. [16] And they shall come back here in the fourth generation, for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete."

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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.

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.

[17] When the sun had gone down and it was dark, behold, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. [18] On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your offspring I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates, [19] the land of the Kenites, the Kenizzites, the Kadmonites, [20] the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Rephaim, [21] the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Girgashites and the Jebusites."



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

To give to the Serving the City Fund or Deacons Fund, you can give several ways:

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

Seated

Receiving & Sending

Receiving:

Jess Alldredge
Danielle Taniguchi
Darik Taniguchi

Sending:

Heather Andrews
Tamarack Randall
Adam Schuyler
Alyssa Werner



AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Colossian Hymn (NLT)

Sisters and Brothers, what do we believe of Jesus Christ?

**He is the visible image of the invisible God.
He existed before anything was created
and is supreme over all creation,
for through him God created everything
in the heavenly realms and on earth.
He made the things we can see
and the things we can't see—
such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities
in the unseen world.
Everything was created through him and for him.
He existed before anything else,
and he holds all creation together.**

And who is Christ to His People?

**He is also the head of the church, which is his body.
He is the beginning,
supreme over all who rise from the dead.
So he is first in everything.
For God in all his fullness
was pleased to live in Christ,
and through him God reconciled everything to himself.
He made peace with everything in heaven and on earth
by means of Christ's blood on the cross.**

Let us stand in awe of this cosmic and crucified Savior, and pray the prayer He taught us to pray:

Stand if able

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**



THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

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.

Receiving Communion

We will come forward by rows, starting at the front and alternating sides to ensure distancing in the center aisle. As you come forward, please maintain distance with your neighbor.

Communion Elements:

Cup: Wine or Grape Juice

Challah Bread: Contains wheat, egg, milk, instant yeast (Many thanks to Danielle Taniguchi for freshly baking challah bread each week!)

Rice Crackers: Organic Brown Rice Flour, Organic White Rice Flour

Prefilled, factory-sealed communion elements also available:

Communion wafer ingredients: wheat flour, water, vegetable shortening (soybean oil, cottonseed oil).

Gluten-free wafer ingredients: flour mix (garbanzo bean, tapioca, sorghum, fava beans, potato starch), water, canola oil, salt.

Christopher Miner and Samuel Stennett, 1997.

Introduction to the Lord's Table

The Words of Institution

Stand if able

On Jordan's Stormy Banks

On Jordans stormy banks I stand,
And cast a wishful eye
To Canaans fair and happy land,
Where my possessions lie.

All o'er those wide extended plains,
Shines one eternal day;
There God the Son forever reigns,
And scatters night away.

I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound for promised land,
I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound for promised land.

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath
Can reach that healthful shore;
Sickness, sorrow, pain and death,
Are felt and feared no more.

I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound for promised land,
I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound for promised land.

When shall I reach that happy place,
And be forever blessed?
When shall I see my Fathers face,
And in His bosom rest?

I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound for promised land,
I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound (I am bound)

BENEDICTION

Romans 11:33, 36



Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!
For from him and through him and to him are all things.
To him be glory forever..

Amen.

SENDING

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



Thanks be to God!

SUNDAYS

Sunday Worship 10:30AM. Join us for in-person worship or join us via [livestream](#) on YouTube on Grace Church Seattle's page. **Please note, starting Oct 3, our worship service time will change to 10:15AM.**

Christian Formation Hour. Join us as we engage with Job starting October 3 at 9am. Job is a curious book. Labeled by some as poetry and labeled by others as horror, this book demands our attention. Job will not let us off the hook with easy answers and he often seems demanding of God that his questions get answered. In this year's Christian Formation hour, we'll dive into the text and learn to ask the hard questions with Job. Counselors will periodically aid us in some nuanced discussion around grief and trauma and we'll learn how the Bible teaches us to lament and even get a chance to write some of our own. It will be a holistic class that engages spirit, body, and mind.

Grace Kids. Children's worship guide available every week in the foyer. Limited Nursery (6 months to 36 months) available for parents who [Pre-register for Nursery](#) each week. A mother's nursing room is available in the back of the sanctuary on the west side. Family room is also provided in the Upstairs Chapel with a Livestream viewing. Christian Formation Classes will begin October 3 at 9:00AM. For more information, email Miss Linn, linn@graceseattle.org.

Youth. YCG classes start Sunday, October 3 during our Christian Formation Hour at 9AM. This year our high schoolers will be partnering with adult YCG leaders in leading our study of the book of John. Every Sunday of Christian Formation, youth will meet for a short game, Bible study and prayer in small groups.

Also, beginning on Monday, October 4, 6:00 PM to 7:45 PM, 10 week Alpha course will begin! Alpha is an interactive time of learning and discussion around the basics of the Christian faith, where young people will inquire of the faith and one another over a weekly meal. Youth from Icon Church, Central Community Church, Saint Ambrose, and Grace Church Seattle will be participating. For questions, please email Pastor Jason at jason@graceseattle.org.

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).

CONNECT

Connect Groups. We have a wide variety of groups: Community Groups, Bible Studies, Prayer Groups, Men's Groups, and Women's Groups. To find a group, or if you are interested in starting one, please contact our Director of Community Formation, Jamie Afshari jamie@graceseattle.org.

SERVE

Congregation. There are many ways to serve in the congregation. Please contact [Alyssa Werner](#) or go to our [website](#) for more information.

City. Grace partners with a number of great organizations in the city. To find out more, please contact [Pastor Jason](#) or go to our [website](#).

GIVE

You can give financially to Grace many ways.

- Our General Fund, which goes to support the mission and worship of our congregation
- Our Deacons Fund, which goes to help those in our congregation and community who are facing unexpected financial need
- Our Serving the City Fund, which goes directly to our efforts to serve the hurting and marginalized in our city

For more information, please go to graceseattle.org/giving

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Ministry Year Begins Sunday, October 3:

- *Who are we and where is God leading us?* Our new Vision, Mission, & Values will be shared with the congregation.
- Christian Formation Hour will begin a 9 AM with learning and connection opportunities for adults, children, and youth.
- Worship will begin at a new time, 10:15 AM
- Numerous small groups will begin.

For more information, please see the announcements on our YouTube page (www.youtube.com/gracechurchseattle)

TODAY Church wide party: Today, after the worship service to celebrate the beginning of the ministry year. Amy's Merkato Eritrean & Ethiopian Restaurant is catering lunch for us. We welcome back Jess and Danielle to our staff, thank Alyssa for her faithful and invaluable service this summer, welcome and say goodbye to other members of the PCT returning from or moving toward sabbatical.

Women at Grace: Join a new Women's Bible Study starting October 5! Miriam Decker will lead people through Galatians and Ephesians every other Tuesday from 7-8:30 PM. For the time being, it will meet on Zoom. Please email miriammdecker@hotmail.com to register and receive the question guide or for any questions about the study! Hope to see you there!

Sunday Volunteers Needed! With the return to in-person worship, we need people willing to help with communion, ushering, check-in, and reading. Please contact Danielle at danielle@graceseattle.org to sign up!

Grace Kids Registration/Survey: If you have an infant through 5th grader, please fill out our [Grace Kids Form](#) to help us prepare for the ministry year. To receive a link, email linn@graceseattle.org.

Community and Connect Group Leaders Training: If you are a connect/small group leader, host of a group, or a member and considering becoming a leader or host, please mark your calendar for a weekend training-palooza October 1-2 (Friday night start 6PM, Saturday morning start 8:30 AM.) Meals provided along with important training topics on leading and hosting groups. We will meet at Epiphany Parish Church in Madrona: 1805 38th Avenue. Please RSVP to Jamie at jamie@graceseattle.org. If you will need childcare, please reach out!

Listening Prayer Groups:

"By beginning with the revealed word of God, lectio divina (listening prayer) continues the conversation that God has begun. We first pay attention to his approach to us and focus on our receptivity. Scripture becomes a means for God to feed, heal, and love us. We open ourselves to God's presence and respond with our hearts." -Stephen J. Binz - Conversing with God in Scripture.

A Listening prayer group is a small group that meets monthly with the intention of building community around the word of God. During this time together we will listen to God's word read out loud. We will have an opportunity for individual silence and reflection on the scripture, and then conclude our time together, sharing the gifts that God has given in our silence with him. Please contact Shelly Morse at Shelly@graceseattle.org by September 26th to join. Group Listening Prayer will begin in October.

Youth Central/Alpha: Grace is partnering with Central Community Church, Icon Church and St. Joseph Church. Our last summer gathering is Thursday, September 16, 6PM. AND beginning October 4, 6-7:45 PM, a 10 week class for 6-12th graders called Alpha begins! Please email Pastor Jason at jason@graceseattle.org with questions.

NEW Seward Park Walking Group: Starting October 14, every Thursday, regardless of weather, meet by the bathrooms at 10AM (babies in strollers and leashed pets welcome). Contact Linn at linn@graceseattle.org if you would like to join.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (continued)

GraceLife Distribution List: GraceLife (gracelifeseattle@googlegroups.com) is an email group designed to foster spontaneous generosity and hospitality among anyone and everyone who regularly attends Grace. The distribution list allows anyone who signs up to send out an email to the larger group. It's designed 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. Email Danielle at danielle@graceseattle.org

Weekend Silent Retreats:

- **November 12-14, 2021**
- **January 14-16, 2022**

Weekend Silent Retreats are back!

After a year of Covid, we are once again able to gather together and rest in the beauty and quiet of Archbishop Brunett Retreat Center, to seek the face of God, and find ourselves held in Jesus' loving gaze. This is good for the soul. Really good!

Participants will meet one on one with our retreat leaders on Saturday and Sunday as a way to check in, see how the retreat is going, and to provide prayer materials for your retreat. There are trails nearby, amazing views of Puget Sound, warm fireplaces, and private bedroom/bathrooms for your privacy and relaxation.

*"God never tires of giving, nor can He exhaust His mercies.
Let us not tire of receiving."
St Teresa of Avila*

Register early as space is limited and will fill up!

Cost: \$250.00

Scholarships are available

Registration Deadline: November 1, 2021 for Fall Retreat

To register: email danielle@graceseattle.org

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9/26 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Worship Service 10:30AM
(In-Person and Livestream)
Church wide Fall party in parking lot

10/3 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Christian Formation 9AM
Worship Service 10:15AM
(In-Person and Livestream)

10/20 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
Christian Formation 9AM
Worship Service 10:15AM
(In-Person and Livestream)

10/27 Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost
Christian Formation 9AM
Worship Service 10:15AM
(In-Person and Livestream)

Emergency Plan

In the unlikely event of an emergency or evacuation, all children attending a Grace Kids Class will be escorted immediately from their classrooms to the farthest edge of the front lawn, at the corner of E. Aloha St. and 13th Ave. E., where they can be reunited with their parents or guardians.

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