



Order of Worship
February 6, 2022
[Livestream 10:15 am](#)

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

1300 E Aloha St
Adult Classes 9 AM
Youth & Children Classes 9 AM
Worship 10:15 AM
Live stream found on
Grace Church Seattle's
[YouTube](#)

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

9:00 AM

FEB 6	APR 3
FEB 20	MAY 1
MAR 6	MAY 22
MAR 20	

Nursery/Toddlers: Room 117
PreK-2nd Grade: Room 119
3rd-5th Grade: Fellowship Hall
YCG: Room 102
Adults: Upstairs Chapel

WORSHIP SERVICE

10:15 AM

6 mo to 3 yrs: Room 117

4 yrs to 2nd Grade:

dismissed to back of Sanctuary
during Passing of the Peace
for Sermon Time Class

Nursing Room

(Nursing moms only)

Back of Sanctuary, west side.

Family Room

Upstairs Chapel

Livestream Viewing

Adapted from Rev. Jeff Meyers

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Our Vision: To see the city of Seattle look more and more like the city of God.

By faith Abraham made his home in the promised land like a stranger in a foreign country; he lived in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God. Hebrews 11:9-10

Our desires as a church are audacious because we believe that God is audacious.

We believe that God has brought us into the richness of communion with the Trinity—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We were created to receive God's love and, in response, give our lives back to God. It is by walking in this purpose that we find true joy and meaning. This knowing and walking with God is the "abundant life" that Jesus promises us.

We also believe that God loves the city of Seattle and is at work all around us.

But it doesn't end there. In a staggering manifestation of God's love, we have been invited by God to share in the work of seeing the life-giving and healing kingdom of Jesus spread. We have been called by our heavenly Father to take our places as his beloved children and embrace his calling upon our individual lives and the life of our congregation.

So come, no matter what state you may be in today. Join us in being loved by God, receiving his blessing, and being sent out into the world as his beloved.

Let us worship.

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REFLECTION QUOTES

We are all, in some measure, both oppressors and oppressed. The gospel, the good news with which we are charged, is that the reign of God, present in Jesus, has brought us all together under judgment and has in the same act brought us all together under blessing. In the presence of the cross there are no innocent parties. In its presence we know that we are all together guilty and yet all together forgiven, loved, set free. The good news is that we are liberated, and it is out of that actually given liberation that our actions for justice and mercy flow.

Lesslie Newbigin

The true saint burns grace like a 747 burns fuel on takeoff.

Dallas Willard

Stand if able

***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***

LECTIO SACRA**1 Peter 1:13-21**

[13] Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. [14] As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, [15] but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, [16] since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy." [17] And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, [18] knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, [19] but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. [20] He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you [21] who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

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**Before The Throne Of God Above**

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

Charitie Lees Bancroft, 1863.

Stand, Sit, or Kneel

CONFESSION OF SIN

Holy Lord,

**I have sinned times without number,
and been guilty of pride and unbelief,
of failure to find thy mind in thy Word,
of neglect to seek thee in my daily life.**

**My transgressions and short-comings
present me with a list of accusations,
but I bless thee that they will not stand against me,
for all have been laid on Christ.**

Go on to subdue our corruptions,
and grant us grace to live above them.

**Let not the passions of the flesh
nor lustings of the mind
bring my spirit into subjection,
but do thou rule over me in liberty and power.**

**I thank thee that many of my prayers
have been refused –
I have asked amiss and do not have,
I have prayed from lusts and been rejected,
I have longed for Egypt and been given a wilderness.**



*Adapted from "Confession and
Petition" in the Valley of Vision*

Go on with thy patient work,
answering 'no' to our wrongful prayers,
and fitting us to accept it.

**Purge us from every false desire,
every base aspiration,
everything contrary to thy rule.**

**We thank you for thy wisdom and thy love,
for all the acts of discipline to which we are subject,
for sometimes putting us into the furnace
to refine our gold and remove our dross.**

No trial is so hard to bear as a sense of sin.

**If you should give us choice to live
in pleasure and keep our sins,
or to have them burnt away with trial,
give us sanctified affliction.**

**Deliver us from every evil habit,
every accretion of former sins,
everything that dims the brightness
of your grace in us,
everything that prevents us taking delight in you.**

**Then we shall bless you, God of Jeshurun,
for helping us to be upright. Amen.**

(You are invited to confess your sins silently.)



RECEIVING OF GRACE

Psalm 103:8-13

Family of God,
hear and accept these words of grace and restoration:

The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

He will not always accuse,
nor will he keep his anger forever.

**He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.**

**For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
as far as the east is from the west,
so far he removes our transgressions from us.**

**As a father has compassion for his children,
so the LORD has compassion for those who fear him.**

In Christ Jesus, we are forgiven of our sins!

Praise be to God!

May the peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

Steadfast

1. I will build my house, whe-ther storm or drought, on the
 2. By the word you spoke are the star-ry 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 watch-ful care I will
 pro-mise I will stand. I will shout for joy, I will

love, oh Lord, and your faith-ful-ness will prove: You are
 rest se-cure, as you lead us with your light. You are
 raise my voice: Hal-le-lu-jah to the lamb! You are

stead - fast,___ steady - fast,___ 2. By the
 steady - fast,___ steady - fast,___
 steady - fast,___ steady - fast,___

2. 3. 1. You are stead - fast,___ steady - fast,___ 3. I

4. In the mo-ment of emp-ti-ness all was ful-filled, 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,___ steady - fast,___ You are

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 Jordan, and Josh Silverberg
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Stand, Sit, or Kneel

PRAYING THE PSALMS

Psalm 119:65-80

Do good to your servant
 according to your word, Lord.
 Teach me knowledge and good judgment,
 for I trust your commands.

**Before I was afflicted I went astray,
 but now I obey your word.
 You are good, and what you do is good;
 teach me your decrees.**



Praying through the psalms each week teaches us how to pray, using the prayer book of ancient Israel. As we pray, there will be pauses for reflection.

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Though the arrogant have smeared me with lies,
 I keep your precepts with all my heart.
 Their hearts are callous and unfeeling,
 but I delight in your law.

**It was good for me to be afflicted
 so that I might learn your decrees.**

**The law from your mouth is more precious to me
 than thousands of pieces of silver and gold.**

Your hands made me and formed me;
 give me understanding to learn your commands.

**May those who fear you rejoice when they see me,
 for I have put my hope in your word.**

**I know, Lord, that your laws are righteous,
 and that in faithfulness you have afflicted me.**

**May your unfailing love be my comfort,
 according to your promise to your servant.**

Let your compassion come to me that I may live,
 for your law is my delight.

May the arrogant be put to shame for wronging me without cause;
 but I will meditate on your precepts.

**May those who fear you turn to me,
 those who understand your statutes.**

**May I wholeheartedly follow your decrees,
 that I may not be put to shame.**

Stand if able

Instrument of Peace

Lord, make me an in-stru-ment of peace, an in-stru-ment of
 peace. 1. Where there is ha-tred, let me sow love. Where there is
 2. Where there is sor-row, let me sow hope! Where there is
 dark-ness, let me sow light. For in the gi-ving, we shall re-
 doubt_ let me sow faith! Where there is in-jur-y, your par-don
 ceive, and in the dy-ing, we're gi-ven life.
 give; your con-so-la-tion to those in pain.
 Lord, make me an in-stru-ment of peace, an in-stru-ment of peace.
 Lord, make me an in-stru-ment of peace, an in-stru-ment of peace. Where there is
 peace. A - men. A - men.

Isaac Wardell, Jessica Fox, Liz
 Vice, Orlando Palmer, and Paul
 Zach

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

Away

Genesis 27:34-28:9

Rev. Jason Davison

Sermons can be streamed and downloaded [here](#).

SERMON TEXT

[27:34] As soon as Esau heard the words of his father, he cried out with an exceedingly great and bitter cry and said to his father, "Bless me, even me also, O my father!" [35] But he said, "Your brother came deceitfully, and he has taken away your blessing." [36] Esau said, "Is he not rightly named Jacob? For he has cheated me these two times. He took away my birthright, and behold, now he has taken away my blessing." Then he said, "Have you not reserved a blessing for me?" [37] Isaac answered and said to Esau, "Behold, I have made him lord over you, and all his brothers I have given to him for servants, and with grain and wine I have sustained him. What then can I do for you, my son?" [38] Esau said to his father, "Have you but one blessing, my father? Bless me, even me also, O my father." And Esau lifted up his voice and wept.

[39] Then Isaac his father answered and said to him:

"Behold, away from the fatness of the earth shall your dwelling be,
and away from the dew of heaven on high.

[40] By your sword you shall live,
and you shall serve your brother;
but when you grow restless
you shall break his yoke from your neck."

[41] Now Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing with which his father had blessed him, and Esau said to himself, "The days of mourning for my father are approaching; then I will kill my brother Jacob." [42] But the words of Esau her older son were told to Rebekah. So she sent and called Jacob her younger son and said to him, "Behold, your brother Esau comforts himself about you by planning to kill you. [43] Now therefore, my son, obey my voice. Arise, flee to Laban my brother in Haran [44] and stay with him a while, until your brother's fury turns away— [45] until your brother's anger turns away from you, and he forgets what you have done to him. Then I will send and bring you from there. Why should I be bereft of you both in one day?"

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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.

[46] Then Rebekah said to Isaac, "I loathe my life because of the Hittite women. If Jacob marries one of the Hittite women like these, one of the women of the land, what good will my life be to me?"

[28:1] Then Isaac called Jacob and blessed him and directed him, "You must not take a wife from the Canaanite women. [2] Arise, go to Paddan-aram to the house of Bethuel your mother's father, and take as your wife from there one of the daughters of Laban your mother's brother. [3] God Almighty bless you and make you fruitful and multiply you, that you may become a company of peoples. [4] May he give the blessing of Abraham to you and to your offspring with you, that you may take possession of the land of your sojournings that God gave to Abraham!" [5] Thus Isaac sent Jacob away. And he went to Paddan-aram, to Laban, the son of Bethuel the Aramean, the brother of Rebekah, Jacob's and Esau's mother.

[6] Now Esau saw that Isaac had blessed Jacob and sent him away to Paddan-aram to take a wife from there, and that as he blessed him he directed him, "You must not take a wife from the Canaanite women," [7] and that Jacob had obeyed his father and his mother and gone to Paddan-aram. [8] So when Esau saw that the Canaanite women did not please Isaac his father, [9] Esau went to Ishmael and took as his wife, besides the wives he had, Mahalath the daughter of Ishmael, Abraham's son, the sister of Nebaioth.



Offering Tiles

Many of us tithe electronically and this can be a wise practice and a blessing to the church. A downside can be the loss of the embodied practice of physically bringing our offering to the Lord. If it will aid you in your worship to reclaim a physical expression of tithing, tiles are now available in baskets at our welcome table for you to choose and place in the offering basket as it is passed.

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.



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Inspired by Ephesians 2:11-18

Lord, as we reflect on the first family of the Promise,
we see so much strife, division, and betrayal.
Help us to come to terms with similar wounds in our families,
heal us, O Lord!

For the abandonment from our parents,
heal us, O Lord!

From the favoritism that divides and isolates,
deliver us, O God!

From sibling rivalry and unspoken resentments,
deliver us, O God!

**Risen Lord, you were crucified so that those far and near,
may be made One by the blood of your Cross,
we ask, God, make it so by your great power!**

May hard hearts be softened,
**generational patterns broken,
exiles come home,
and forgiveness reign in your Church,
our families, and the world.**

Amen.

Stand if able

Spirit Of God

Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart;
I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies,
Teach me to feel that Thou art al - ways nigh;
Hast Thou not bid me love Thee, God and King?
Teach me to love Thee as Thine an - gels love,
Wean it from earth; through all its puls - es move
No sud - den rend - ing of the veil of clay,
Teach me the strug - gles of the soul to bear.
All, all Thine own, soul, heart and strength and mind.
One ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame;
Stoop to my weak - ness might-y as Thou art;
No an - gel vi - sion, no o - p'ning skies;
To check the ris - sing doubt, the re - bel sigh,
I see Thy cross; there teach me to cling:
The pre - sence of Thy de - scend - ded Dove,
And make me love Thee as I ought to love.
But take the dim - ness of my soul a - way.
Teach me the pa - tience of un - an - swered prayer.
O let me seek Thee, and O let me find!
My heart an al - tar, and Thy love the flame. (repeat line)

words: George Croly, 1854
music: Karl Digerness, 2006



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.

Brian Eichelberger and Zach Bolen

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).



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.

Seated

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Introduction to the Lord's Table

The Words of Institution

Stand if able

Joy to Be

[Chorus]

O the joy to be, joy to know

It's when I decrease, You fill up my soul

What a joy to see, joy to hold

It's when You increase, I want nothing more

Open my hands, humble my heart

All that I have is Yours

Color my prayers, widen my eyes

Wash me in glorious light

[Chorus]

Hasten my ears, bridle my tongue

Focus my heart to hear

Settle my pace, purge me of pride

Again and again, You provide

[Chorus] 2x

BENEDICTION

1 Peter 5:10-11

After you have suffered a little while,
the God of all grace,
who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ,
will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you.

To him be the dominion 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!



THIS SUNDAY**9:00 Christian Formation Classes****10:15 AM Worship****...NEXT WEEK****10:15 AM Worship****SUNDAYS**

Sunday Worship 10:15 AM. Join us for in-person worship or join us via [livestream](#) on YouTube on Grace Church Seattle's page.

Christian Formation Hour Dates for Ministry Year.

FEB 6	APR 3
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Adult Christian Formation Hour. Join us as we engage with Job. 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. In our Christian Formation classes our youngest children are studying New Testament Stories and our 3rd-5th graders are learning about the Parables of Jesus using the DWELL curriculum. A Children's Worship Guide is available every week in the foyer for our children to use during the worship service. A combined class for 6 months through 3 year olds is available during the worship service downstairs in room #117. We also have a Sermon Time class for 4 year olds through 2nd graders. A mother's nursing room is located in the back of the sanctuary on the west side. A family room is provided in the Upstairs Chapel with a Livestream viewing. We use KidCheck (<https://www.kidcheck.com/>) to check children into our programs. Please create a free account: [Sign Up Using Mobile App](#) OR [Sign Up Using Website](#). For questions, please contact Linn Haralson at linn@graceseattle.org.

Youth. YCG classes started Sunday, October 3 during our Christian Formation Hour at 9:00 AM. 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 Central Community Church, Saint Ambrose, and Grace Church Seattle will be gathering at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1200 10th Avenue East, Seattle, WA 98102. 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 at pastoralcare@graceseattle.org.

CONNECT

Connect Groups. We have a wide variety of groups: Community Groups, Bible Studies, Growth Groups, Prayer Groups, Men's Groups, Women's Groups, and Listening Prayer 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 [Danielle Taniguchi](#) 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

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 Taniguchi at danielle@graceseattle.org to sign up!

Grace Kids Volunteers Needed: As more and more families are returning to worship, we need more adult volunteers during the worship service in the Toddler classroom and during our Sermon Time Class. Please contact Linn Haralson at linn@graceseattle.org. Thank you!

Growth Groups: These groups will focus on a Rule of Life in order to grow with two others in desired areas (communion with God, emotional health, and service are just a few areas one group might decide to flourish in). If you have questions please email Jamie Afshari at jamie@graceseattle.org.

New Foster Care Partnership with Foster Support Faith Alliance: We have an exciting new partnership to support children and youth falling between the cracks of our local foster care system. The Foster Support Faith Alliance in south Seattle has asked Grace to join area churches and the MLK DSHS, as we provide wrap-around care to foster families, "kinship" families, (families care for kids not officially in the system), and "reunion" families, (where youth are reconciling and returning back to their birth parents). Starting this Winter, we are looking for 2-3 volunteers from Grace to join two other congregations in supporting a family as a "Care Community". A care community walks with a foster family in practical, relational, and spiritual needs on a monthly basis. There is a required training on February 19th at 10:00 AM on [Zoom](#). If you have any questions, please send Pastor Jason an email at jason@graceseattle.org.

Meditation/Prayer for Children and Families at Grace: All are welcome, you do not have to have children to attend this gathering. This will be a 20-minute meditation/prayer, on the second Wednesday of each month at 8:00 AM on Zoom starting on February 9. We will begin with a short time of centering prayer, followed by a brief scripture reading, then a time to listen and pray along with prayer requests generated from our congregation for our children and families, and we will close with a blessing. If you would like a zoom link, please email Linn at linn@graceseattle.org. Please remain muted for this call, you are welcome to have your video on or off. If you would like to have a specific prayer request prayed (can be anonymous), please send it to Linn at linn@graceseattle.org the Tuesday night before the meeting.

Lent and Evening Services: Ash Wednesday is on March 2nd this year and we will resume our practice of holding evening services during the Lent season as well. The evening services are on the following dates at the church building:

- Wednesday, March 16th at 7:00 PM
- Wednesday, March 30th at 7:00 PM

Lent Booklet: We hope to have another Lent booklet available in the next few weeks with both personal and family-friendly ideas to help us prepare for Easter.

Belltower Counseling Announcement: Katie Ribera visited us last Sunday to share more about her counseling center that runs out of our sister congregation, Trinity Church Seattle. To learn more, please watch this short video [here](#).

Young Adult Group: As a young adult, it can be difficult to find friendship in Seattle. You've probably just moved here, got to or out of college, or you're coming out of your Covid-19-enforced hermitage and finding it difficult to meet people. If you consider yourself a young adult and are interested in growing in the community and breaking bread with others, join us for weekly dinner on Sunday nights in Eastlake! For those living or working downtown, in South Lake Union or the University District, it should be a quick bus ride on the 70. Reach out to Brent Williams at brent.williams333@gmail.com for the specific location, or if you have any questions.

Updates to Giving Statements: For 2022, financial giving records will be in Planning Center. More details on how to access your giving for this year will be coming soon. For any questions, please contact Danielle Taniguchi at danielle@graceseattle.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (continued)

Book Club: Stephanie Pommer leads our book club for Grace. This group meets over Zoom. To join, email Stephanie at stephanie@graceseattle.org.

Thursday morning Walking Group: Regardless of the weather, we meet weekly at 10:00 AM in various parks around the city (Seward Park, Greenlake, Discovery park...), babies in strollers and leashed pets welcome. Contact Linn Haralson at linn@graceseattle.org if you would like to join us.

Listening Prayer Group Opportunity at The Layne 2021-22

"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 with the intention of building a 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 join us for listening prayer, led by Shelly Morse, at the Layne on the following dates at 7:00-9:00 PM:

- Thursday, February 17
- Thursday, March 10
- Wednesday, April 27
- Thursday, May 12

Please RSVP to Shelly Morse at shelly@soulcareseattle.com if you plan to attend a meeting.

Lent Silent Retreat with Soul Care Seattle at The Layne

Saturday March 5th

9:00AM-12:00PM

Lent, a 40 day season of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, is a time of preparing our hearts to celebrate the mystery of the crucifixion and resurrection. It is a time to reflect on the reign of Christ, in both its beauty and suffering, and our invitation to participate in it.

Join us for a morning of contemplation over the mystery of all that Christ has invited us to, and to seek the Love and the Grace we need to open the lives we have been given to receiving more of Christ this Easter.

Registration: www.soulcareseattle.com

Deadline to register: March 4th

Suggested Donation: \$20.00

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 Taniguchi at danielle@graceseattle.org.

Save The Date! Grace Talent Show: We are holding a talent show for the church on Sunday, June 5th immediately following the worship service. Please contact Danielle Taniguchi at danielle@graceseattle.org if you would like to participate in the planning or showcase your talent.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

02/06 Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany
Christian Formation Classes All Ages 9:00 AM
Worship Service 10:15 AM
(In-Person and Livestream)

02/13 Sixth Sunday After the Epiphany
Worship Service 10:15 AM
(In-Person and Livestream)

02/20 Seventh Sunday After the Epiphany
Christian Formation Classes All Ages 9:00 AM
Worship Service 10:15 AM
(In-Person and Livestream)

02/27 Last Sunday After the Epiphany
Worship Service 10:15 AM
(In-Person and Livestream)

03/02 Ash Wednesday
Worship Service 7:00 PM
(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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Not sure who to contact? If you have needs or resources you'd like to offer the community, please contact us at pastoralcare@graceseattle.org.

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