



Order of Worship  
January 15, 2023  
Livestream 10:15 AM

## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

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

## CHRISTIAN FORMATION (First 3 Sundays of Month, except in January, we will meet Jan 8, 15, 22)

**9:00 AM**

Walkers to 3 yrs: Room 120  
4yrs to 2nd grade: Room 119  
3rd-5th grade: Room 117  
6th-12th grade: Room 102  
Adult Class: Upstairs Chapel

## WORSHIP SERVICE

**10:15 AM**

Toddlers: (Walkers to  
3yrs)Room 120

Sermon Time: (4yrs to 2nd  
grade) Room 119  
(children are picked up from  
class during passing of the  
peace)

Nursing Room  
(Nursing moms only)  
Back of Sanctuary, west side.

Family Room  
Upstairs Chapel  
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## EPIPHANY 2023

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

Welcome!  
We are genuinely glad you are here.

A little over 2,000 years ago, Jesus of Nazareth was born in a relatively obscure corner of the world. As he became an adult, he began to call people to follow him wherever he might lead them.

He healed their diseases, forgave their sins, cast out evil spirits that were tormenting them, and powerfully taught them the word and ways of God. Notably, Jesus had the holy audacity to encourage ordinary people like us to approach and relate to God as a loving parent.

The powers that be were threatened by Jesus, so they put him to death. Three days later, he rose from the dead. This same Jesus now reigns at God's right hand. He is the King over all creation, and he is continuing his work of redemption—restoring and healing every square inch of creation.

It is our sincere belief that this same Jesus is now present with us personally and graciously through the power of the Holy Spirit. It is our joy to welcome you regardless of who you are or what your background, personal history, or beliefs might be, for this is how Jesus has welcomed us. We have received freely from his hand, though the redemption he offers cost him infinitely more, so freely we give.

So, on behalf of Jesus, we welcome you to our congregation.

Let us worship!

## REFLECTION QUOTES

I have a heart full of questions  
Quieting all my suggestions  
What is the meaning of Christian  
In this American life?

I'm feeling awfully foolish  
Spending my life on a message  
I look around and I wonder  
Ever if I heard it right

Coming to you 'cause I'm confused  
Coming to you 'cause I feel used  
Coming to weep while I'm waiting  
Tell me you won't make me go

*I need to know there is justice  
That it will roll in abundance  
And that you're building a city  
Where we arrive as immigrants  
And you call us citizens  
And you welcome us as children home*

You were alone and rejected  
Misunderstood and detested  
You gave it all, didn't hold back  
You even gave up your life

How can we call ourselves Christians  
Saying that love is a tension  
Between the call of the cross and  
Between the old party line

Coming to you for the mothers  
Who are all running for cover  
There is a flood from their weeping  
Tell me you won't make them go

There is a man with a family  
He has a wife and a baby  
He broke the law just to save them  
Working for three bucks an hour

Truly you said we were equal  
Everyone's heart is deceitful  
Everyone born is illegal  
When love is the law of the land

Coming to you for the hungry  
Eating the scraps of this country  
Didn't you swear you would feed them  
Tell me you won't make them go

There is a wolf who is ranting  
All of the sheep they are clapping  
Promising power and protection  
Claiming the Christ who was killed

Killed by a common consensus  
Everyone screaming "Barabbas"  
Trading their God for a hero  
Forfeiting Heaven for Rome

Coming to you 'cause I'm angry  
Coming to you 'cause I'm guilty  
Coming to you 'cause you've promised  
To leave the flock for the one

Where we arrive as immigrants  
And you call us citizens  
And you welcome us as children home

Is there a way to love always?  
Living in enemy hallways  
Don't know my foes from my friends and  
Don't know my friends anymore

Power has several prizes  
Handcuffs can come in all sizes  
Love has a million disguises  
But winning is simply not one  
**"Citizens" by Jon Guerra**

Liturgical Colors: Liturgical colors can orient us to the season of the church year and help to engage our sense of sight in worship.

White is the color for Epiphany, symbolizing purity, holiness, and virtue, as well as respect and reverence. White (and gold) represent days and seasons of joy and mark pivotal events in the life of Christ.

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

The Acclamation, similar to a greeting, is a way we welcome each other into this holy space and time. It prepares us for the hearing and responding to God. Our liturgy can be thought of as a conversation between each other and God. Conversations require both hearing a responding. The Acclamation prepares us for the hearing and responding to God.



## THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

*Epiphany is the season of the church calendar after Christmas and before Lent. An "epiphany" is an "A-ha moment" where we suddenly see or understand something that we didn't grasp before. In the season of Epiphany, the church celebrates events in Jesus' life—the visit of the Magi, turning water into wine, and his baptism—that manifest who he is as Savior of the world. Here is a fitting prayer for the Epiphany season:*

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

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### WELCOME

### PRELUDE

**Stand if able**

### THE ACCLAMATION

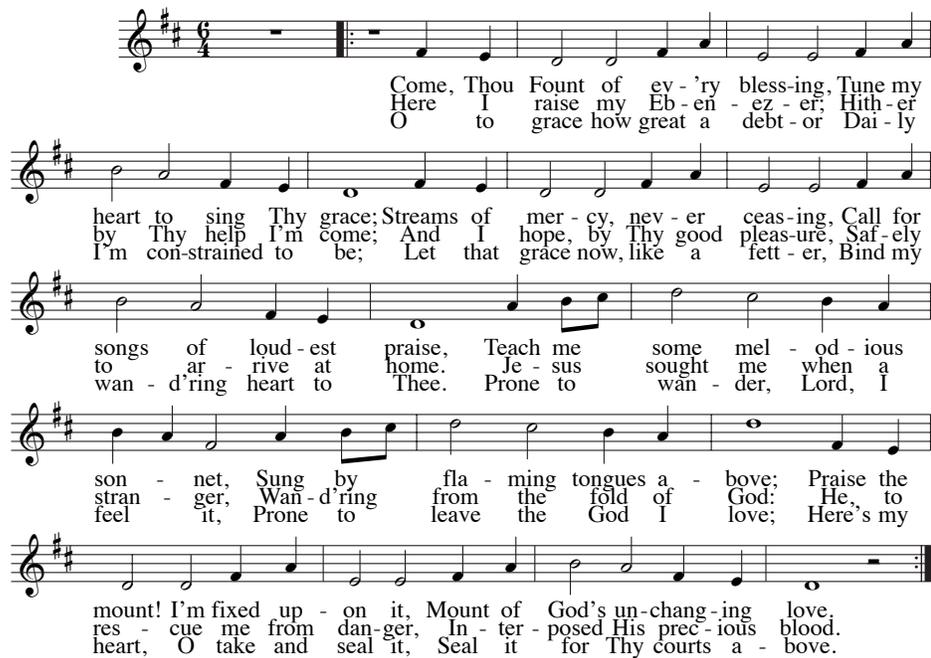
Blessed be God:  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.  
**And blessed be his kingdom,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

### CALL TO WORSHIP

In Christ, the God of heaven has made his home on earth.  
**Christ dwells among us and is one with us.**  
Highest of all creation, he lives among the least.  
**He journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.**

Come now, all who thirst,  
**and drink from the water of life.**  
Come now, all who hunger,  
**and be filled with good things.**  
Come now, all who seek,  
**and be warmed by the fire of love.**

## Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing



“Ebenezer” means Stone of Help and is a reference to 1 Samuel 7:12, when Samuel set up a stone to remind Israel of God’s help and protection.

Robert Robinson, 1758  
John Wyeth, 1813

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### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

**Almighty God,**

**to you all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from you no secrets are hid:**

**Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts**

**by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy Name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

A collect is a prayer that is intended to collect or sum up the prayers of the community, typically following a four-fold pattern: invocation, meditation, petition, and doxology. The Collect for Purity helps us to hear God’s word and worship by reminding us that we are laid bare when we come before him. He sees and knows all that we are and all that we bring to him.

We come to God that we might be shaped and formed by his Word.



### LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### LECTIO SACRA

##### Old Testament Reading

*Exodus 12: 21-28 (NIV)*

Then Moses summoned all the elders of Israel and said to them, “Go at once and select the animals for your families and slaughter the Passover lamb. Take a bunch of hyssop, dip it into the blood in the basin and put some of the blood on the top and on both sides of the doorframe. None of you shall go out of the door of your house until morning. When the Lord goes through the land to strike down the Egyptians, he will see the blood on the top and sides of the doorframe and will pass over that doorway, and he will not permit the destroyer to enter your houses and strike you down.

“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.

“Obey these instructions as a lasting ordinance for you and your descendants. When you enter the land that the Lord will give you as he promised, observe this ceremony. And when your children ask you, ‘What does this ceremony mean to you?’ then tell them, ‘It is the Passover sacrifice to the Lord, who passed over the houses of the Israelites in Egypt and spared our homes when he struck down the Egyptians.’” Then the people bowed down and worshiped. The Israelites did just what the Lord commanded Moses and Aaron.

### **New Testament Reading**

*John 1:29-42 (NIV)*

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is the one I meant when I said, ‘A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptizing with water was that he might be revealed to Israel.”

Then John gave this testimony: “I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. And I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, ‘The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.’ I have seen and I testify that this is God’s Chosen One.”

The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, “Look, the Lamb of God!”

When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, “What do you want?”

They said, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher”), “where are you staying?”

“Come,” he replied, “and you will see.”

So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon.

Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, “We have found the Messiah” (that is, the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus.

Jesus looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas” (which, when translated, is Peter).

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **INTERLUDE**

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

Stand if able

### Spirit of the Living God

1. O Spi - rit of the li - ving God, thou light and fire. di -  
 2. Blow, wind of God, with wis - dom. blow un - til our minds are  
 3. So shall we know the po - wer of Christ who came this world to

vine; de - scend up - on thy church once more and make it tru - ly  
 free from mists of er - ror, clouds of doubt, which blind our eyes to  
 save; so shall we rise with him to life which soars be - yond the

thine. Fill it with love and joy and power, with  
 thee. Burn, wing - ed fire, In - spire our lips with  
 grave. and earth shall win true ho - li - ness, which

right - eous - ness and peace. 'Til  
 fla - ming love and zeal, to  
 makes thy chil - dren whole; 'til,

Christ shall dwell in hu - man hearts and sin and sor - row cease.  
 preach to all thy great good news, God's glo - rious com - mon - weal.  
 per - fec - ted by thee, we reach cre - a - tion's glo - ri - ous goal.

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### SERMON

Luke 4:14-21(NIV)

Following Christ: Bearing the Good News

Drew Billups

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



### SERMON TEXT

[4:14] Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. [15] He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him.

[16] He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, [17] and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:

[18] "The Spirit of the Lord is on me,  
because he has anointed me  
to proclaim good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners  
and recovery of sight for the blind,  
to set the oppressed free,  
[19] to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

[20] Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. [21] He began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

## INTERLUDE



*Kneel or Sit*

### CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be your people.  
You have called us to be the church,  
to continue the mission of Jesus Christ  
to our lonely and confused world.

**Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active,  
isolated than involved, callous than compassionate,  
obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving.**

**Gracious Lord, have mercy on us and forgive our sins.**

Remove the obstacles preventing us  
from being your representatives to a broken world.

**Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of your indwelling Spirit.  
This we pray in Jesus' powerful name. Amen.**

*(You are invited to confess your sins silently.)*



*Stand if able*

### RECEIVING OF GRACE

The God who challenges us  
is also the God who encourages us.

**The God who confronts us  
is also the God who accepts us.**

Be assured that God is with us even now,  
accepting, guiding, and forgiving.  
Thanks be to God.

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

## **Amazing Grace**

**Amazing grace!  
How sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost,  
but now am found;  
Was blind, but now I see.**

**'Twas grace that taught  
my heart to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did  
that grace appear  
The hour I first believed.**

**Through many dangers,  
toils and snares,  
I have already come;  
'Tis grace hath brought  
me safe thus far,  
And grace will lead me home.**

**When we've been there  
ten thousand years,  
Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days  
to sing God's praise  
Than when we'd first begun.**

John Newton, 1779  
"New Britain," 1831  
(last stanza author unknown)

## **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."

**Seated**

## **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please let us know about your visit or update your information with us using the QR Code in the margin. Please use the cards inserted in the OW to share any praises or prayer requests you might have.

**\*Parents, please pick up your children from the 4yrs to 2nd Grade class.**





## **PRAYING THE PSALMS**

*Psalm 40:1-11 (NIV)*

I waited patiently for the Lord; he turned to me and heard my cry.

He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire;  
he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand.

**He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God.  
Many will see and fear the Lord and put their trust in him.**

Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord,  
who does not look to the proud, to those who turn aside to false gods.

**Many, Lord my God, are the wonders you have done,  
the things you planned for us.  
None can compare with you; were I to speak and tell of your deeds,  
they would be too many to declare.**

Sacrifice and offering you did not desire—but my ears you have opened—  
burnt offerings and sin offerings you did not require.

**Then I said, “Here I am, I have come—it is written about me in the scroll.  
I desire to do your will, my God; your law is within my heart.”**

I proclaim your saving acts in the great assembly; I do not seal my lips, Lord,  
as you know.

I do not hide your righteousness in my heart; I speak of your faithfulness and your  
saving help.

I do not conceal your love and your faithfulness from the great assembly.

**Do not withhold your mercy from me, Lord;  
may your love and faithfulness always protect me.**

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.

Stand if able

## Psalm 46 (Be Still)

1. God is our re - fuge, our strength and our shield, an  
2. Na - tions in up - roar, men's king - doms, they fall; he  
3. Come, let us see what the Lord has done, the

e - ver pre - sent help.  
speaks and the earth melts a - way. The  
ru - ins he brings to the earth. He

We will not fear though the earth  
worst we im - a - gine, the strong -  
makes wars to cease to the ends

— gives way, and moun - tains crash in - to the sea. (to Verse 2)  
— gest of storms; our for - tress, it will still re - main.  
— of the earth; he shat - ters the bow and the spear.

There is a ri - ver who's streams will make glad the  
There is a ri - ver who's streams will make glad the

ci - ty of our most High King. God is with - in her, and  
ci - ty of our most High King. God is with - in her, and

she will not fail, he helps her at break of the day. "Be -  
she will not fail. List - en and hear the Lord say:

— still, and know that I am God." (Sing 4x at end)

Mike Crawford, 2009  
altered Isaac Wardell, 2010  
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## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God. (*Silent prayer*)

Lord, in your mercy:

**Hear our prayer.**

For Foley Beach, our Archbishop, and Todd Hunter, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our Diocese and Congregation. (*Silent prayer*)

Lord, in your mercy:

**Hear our prayer.**

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others. (*Silent prayer*)

Lord, in your mercy:

**Hear our prayer.**

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith. (*Silent prayer*)

Lord, in your mercy:

**Hear our prayer.**

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service especially President Biden, Governor Inslee, and Mayor Harrell. (*Silent prayer*)

Lord, in your mercy:

**Hear our prayer.**

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. (*Silent prayer*)

Lord, in your mercy:

**Hear our prayer.**

For the Ukrainian people who are experiencing the senseless destruction of war, especially those who struggle to find adequate shelter, warmth, food, and safety this winter. (*Silent prayer*)

Lord, in your mercy:

**Hear our prayer.**

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving let us pray. (*Silent prayer*)

Lord, in your mercy:

**Hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Gloria Patri

Words: Gloria Patri, 2nd Century  
Music: Karl Digerness  
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3 Glo-ry be\_\_ to the Fa - ther, glo-ry be\_\_ to the Son,  
5 Glo-ry be\_\_ to the Spi - rit, Three in One. As it  
7 was in the\_\_ be - gin - ing it will be\_\_ for - ev - er A - men,  
A - men, A - men.



## 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.

## MUSICAL OFFERING: Who You Say I Am

*Lyrics below for reflection*

Who am I that the highest King	Yes I am
Would welcome me?	In my Father's house
I was lost but He brought me in	There's a place for me
Oh His love for me	I'm a child of God
Oh His love for me	Yes I am
Who the Son sets free	I am chosen not forsaken
Oh is free indeed	I am who You say I am
I'm a child of God	You are for me not against me
Yes I am	I am who You say I am
Free at last	I am chosen not forsaken
He has ransomed me	I am who You say I am
His grace runs deep	You are for me not against me
While I was a slave to sin	I am who You say I am
Jesus died for me	I am who You say I am
Yes, He died for me	In my Father's house
Who the Son sets free	There's a place for me
Oh is free indeed	I'm a child of God
I'm a child of God	Yes I am

### 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.

*Ben Fielding and Reuben Morgan*  
*Arr. by Dan Galbraith*  
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We come to the Table of our Lord that he might feed and nourish us.



## LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Stand if able

### THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

#### The Sursum Corda

The *Sursum Corda* (Latin: "Lift up your hearts") is an opening dialogue in the Eucharistic liturgy of the Christian Church and dates back (at least) to the third century. This text encourages the church to come with thankfulness and joy to the Lord's table.

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,  
Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Therefore we praise you,  
joining our voices with Angels and Archangels  
and with all the company of heaven,  
who for ever sing this hymn  
to proclaim the glory of your Name:

#### Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
God of pow'r and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est!  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est!

The *Sanctus* (Latin: "Holy") is a Christian hymn text, typically sung in response to The Sursum Corda. It is an invitation to join the voices of the church with the heavenly host, who are continually proclaiming the Father's glory (Isaiah 6:1-3; Matthew 21:9).

Jess Alldredge  
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#### Prayer

Together we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

**Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again.**

## The Words of Institution Prayer of Consecration

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

**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,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## The Ministration

*(All are invited to come forward during Communion. The act of receiving the bread and wine is a confession, that as you receive those gifts, you have already received the gift of a renewed relationship with God, through Christ. If that is not your confession, you may still come forward to receive a prayer. Simply cross your arms across your chest as an indication that you are only coming for prayer.)*

"Ministration" is the action of administering the sacrament (Communion)

## Receiving Communion

We will come forward by rows, starting at the front. There will be factory sealed communion elements as well as gluten free crackers with designated juice and wine on the table at the front. Otherwise, there is bread to dip in either wine (short cup) or juice (tall cup).

**Communion Elements:**  
Cup: Wine or Grape Juice

Bread ingredients vary 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).

**Doxology**

Words: Thomas Ken  
Music "Old Hundredth"

5 Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow;  
 9 praise Him, all crea - tures here be - low;  
 13 praise Him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host:  
 24 Ghost. Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.  
 29 Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.  
 36 A - men, a - men, a - me - n!

**The Post Communion Prayer**

Let us pray.

**Heavenly Father,**

**We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
 of the most precious Body and Blood  
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
 and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
 that we are living members  
 of the body of your Son,  
 and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.**

**And now, Father, send us out to do the work  
 you have given us to do,  
 to love and serve you as faithful witnesses  
 of Christ our Lord.**

**To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
 be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

## **BENEDICTION**

*Hebrews 13: 20-21 (NIV)*



Now may the God of peace,  
who through the blood of the eternal covenant  
brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus,  
that great Shepherd of the sheep,  
equip you with everything good for doing his will,  
and may he work in us what is pleasing to him,  
through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever 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 AM Christian Formation Hour/Prayer****10:15 AM Worship****... NEXT WEEK****9 AM Christian Formation Hour****10:15 AM Worship**

**Christian Formation Classes for Adults, Children, and Youth.** Classes run from 9-10 AM. We meet the first 3 Sundays of each month (4th & 5th Sundays there will not be class, except for January!) See the calendar on our website for more details.

Adults have a class in the upstairs chapel on "Women in Ministry Leadership". You can listen to previous classes at [graceseattle.org/resources/audio-library](http://graceseattle.org/resources/audio-library)

(\*New\*) There is a group meeting downstairs in the board room for prayer for the church and our city.

- Four Classes Available for Children and Youth:
  - Toddlers (Walkers-3 years), God Loves Me Curriculum;
  - 4 years thru 2nd grade, Dwell Curriculum;
  - 3rd-5th grade, New City Catechism;
  - Youth (6th-12th grade), Axis.org.
- We use KidCheck, a secure children check-in system, for all children/youth the first time they visit a class. Walkers through 2nd Graders need to be checked in through KidCheck every week.

**Worship Service.**

- Toddlers (Walkers-3 years, all service long), Drop off - Room 120, Pick up - Fellowship Hall
- Sermon Time (4 years thru 2nd grade, children are picked up during Passing of the Peace), Room 119

**Small Groups.** We are strongly encouraging everyone in the congregation to get involved in one type of small group this year. To find a group, or if you are interested in starting one, contact our Director of Community Formation, Jamie Afshari [jamie@graceseattle.org](mailto:jamie@graceseattle.org).

- Community Groups. These are groups of 6-12 people that will gather in peoples' homes throughout the week. Groups will share a meal together and join together for Evening Prayer from the Book of Common Prayer. Community Groups are a wonderful way to make meaningful connections with other Christians outside of Sunday mornings.
  - Orion and Rebecca: Saturdays 3x/mo in NE Seattle
  - Eric and Joy: Sundays 2x/mo in Greenwood/Phinney
  - Steven and Renee: Wednesdays 2x/mo in Ballard
  - Nathan and Rachel: Tuesdays 2x/mo in Capitol Hill
  - Darik and Jo: Wednesdays 3x/mo in Pinehurst
  - John and Linn: Sundays 2x/mo in Capitol Hill
  - Bennett and Tess: Tuesdays 3x/mo in Crown Hill
  - Jahan and Jamie: Thursdays 2x/mo in Mountlake Terrace
- Growth Groups. These are groups of 3 men or 3 women who commit to walking together for a year and help one another to strengthen and deepen each other's walk with Christ. These groups are designed to be communities where people can be seen and known on a deeper level. This year, each group will start by working through Pete Scazzero's book Emotionally Healthy Spirituality.

**SERVE**

**Congregation.** There are many ways to serve in the congregation, please email [nicole@graceseattle.org](mailto:nicole@graceseattle.org).

**City.** Grace partners with a number of organizations in the city. To find out more, visit our website or contact Drew.

**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](http://graceseattle.org/giving)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Women in Ministry Leadership.** Our congregation is entering a time of learning, prayer, and discernment with regards to whether or not women can and should be ordained to the priesthood.

- More resources for your own consideration can be found through this QR code:
- To submit a question, please use this QR code:



**Youth Sunday on February 5.** Mark your calendars! Please note this is a date change. If you are a 6th to 12th grader, please consider signing up to serve, as it is a huge gift to our congregation! The roles to be filled include Ushers, AV & Slides Operators, Lector/Reader, Co-Liturgists, Vocalists, Musicians, Artists, and Grace Kids Volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering, please sign up by emailing Nelson at [nelson@graceseattle.org](mailto:nelson@graceseattle.org).

**Young Adults.** Join other young adults in our community as we gather for lunch this Sunday at the Halls. Please contact Nelson at [nelson@graceseattle.org](mailto:nelson@graceseattle.org) to RSVP and receive details.

**STC Partner Lunches.** Get to know more about some of the organizations that Serving the City partners with and learn about the people that they serve. In an effort to create more awareness of the work of STC, we will host a series of lunch meetings after worship on the 4th Sunday of each month. We will have a speaker from a different organization each month. We will gather at the Layne at 12:30 and the events will last approximately 90 minutes. Food will be provided, please RSVP by emailing [drew@graceseattle.org](mailto:drew@graceseattle.org) with any food restrictions so that we can plan accordingly.

- Jan 22 - REST
- Feb 26 - Olive Crest
- March 26 - New Horizons
- April 23 - TBD

**Sunday Morning Prayer Group.** We have felt a steady and growing prompting from God to pray regularly for our congregation and the work God has given us to do. A group is now gathering during Christian Formation Hour to pray to God for his transforming and healing kingdom to spread in us and through us. For questions, please contact Darik Taniguchi at [dariktaniguchi@gmail.com](mailto:dariktaniguchi@gmail.com). \*\*Please note that the location will be in the cry room on 1/22 instead of the board room.\*\*

**Women's Retreat.** Save the date, March 17-19 at the Rainbow Lodge. If you are interested in joining the retreat planning committee, please reach out to Linn at [linn@graceseattle.org](mailto:linn@graceseattle.org) by Monday, January 23.

**Email Changes.** All non-staff grace emails are changing! New contact information are live on the website and in the order of worship this Sunday. Email [office@graceseattle.org](mailto:office@graceseattle.org) if you have any questions.

**Sickle Cell Gospel Concert.** Gospel Choir Concert to benefit the work of Metropolitan Seattle Sickle Cell Taskforce at Trinity Church Seattle (6512 23rd Ave NW, Seattle, WA 98117) on February 4th at 5:30pm. If you are interested in joining the choir, rehearsal would be at 2pm, (just before the concert) contact Foxy Davison at [foxyandjason@q.com](mailto:foxyandjason@q.com).

**Men's Retreat.** Save the date, May 5-7 at the Rainbow Lodge. More details to come!

*More announcements continued on the next page*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS *continued*

### **Weekend Silent Retreat: February 24 - 26, 2023**

The weekend Silent Retreat tradition continues! These retreats are our opportunity to rest in the beauty and quiet of Archbishop Brunett Retreat Center, to seek the face of God, and find yourselves 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 your own bedroom/bathroom 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 often fills up! We have 8 spots available

Cost: \$269.00 Scholarships are available, apply for one through this QR code:



Deadline to register is February 4, 2023 Register through this QR code:

For questions email: [reenehuie@gmail.com](mailto:reenehuie@gmail.com)



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM SOUL CARE SEATTLE**

Grace is blessed to partner with Soul Care Seattle, an urban retreat and spiritual direction ministry located on Capitol Hill. They have many different ways to help you grow in your relationship with God.

**Listening Prayer Group Opportunity at The Layne:** A Listening prayer group is a small group that meets with the intention of building a community around the word of God. We are currently praying through scripture that is focused on heaven. For more information about Listening Prayer go to [www.soulcareseseattle.com](http://www.soulcareseseattle.com). Meetings are at 7pm at The Layne. RSVP to Shelly Morse at [shelly@soulcareseseattle.com](mailto:shelly@soulcareseseattle.com) if you plan to attend a meeting. Future dates are: Thursday 1/26, 2/16, 3/23, 4/20, 5/18

**Centering Prayer Group Opportunity at The Layne:** Centering Prayer consists of sitting in silence with God - beyond thoughts, words, and emotions and opening our mind, heart and whole being to the Trinity. We begin each session praying a Psalm together, a 20-minute period of Centering Prayer, followed by Sacred Reading of Scripture (Lectio Divina). We invite you to join us at The Layne for six sessions of an hour of prayer from 7:00pm to 8:30pm on the following Thursday evenings: January 18, March 9, and May 25. All are welcome. Visit our website at [www.soulcareseseattle.com](http://www.soulcareseseattle.com) to register.

**Half-day Retreat schedule at the Layne** (Saturdays, 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM)

2023: Jan 28, Feb 11, March 4, March 18, April 22, May 6, May 20

Why a silent retreat? How many of us are truly at home with ourselves? Ourselves; free of distractions, defenses, calendars, and performance is likely the last person we are comfortable to spend time with. Often we are terrified to discover who we are or who we are not. Into this very fear, Jesus our Good Brother and the very son of God, says, "Come to me... and I will give you rest for your souls" (Matt 11:28-30).

These retreats are available to those who would like to experience silence & prayer in community. You will start, and end, as a larger group, but then you will have personal time to do any of the following: contemplate the prayers and writings that are given to you, walk in the beautiful parks around The Layne, or rest on the porch or other areas in the house.

Registration is now open for all Half Day Silent Retreats Sept 2022 - May 2023

Please register to attend at [www.soulcareseseattle.com](http://www.soulcareseseattle.com). If you have any questions email [reene@soulcareseseattle.com](mailto:reene@soulcareseseattle.com).

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

01/15 Second Sunday of Epiphany  
Christian Formation Hour 9 AM  
Worship Service 10:15 AM  
(In-Person and Livestream)

01/22 Third Sunday of Epiphany  
Christian Formation Hour 9 AM  
Worship Service 10:15 AM  
(In-Person and Livestream)

01/29 Fourth Sunday of Epiphany  
Worship Service 10:15 AM  
(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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