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Grace Episcopal Church
Second Sunday After Epiphany
January 19, 2020 | 8 & 9:30am
Ministers | All of Us
Rector | Wren Blessing
Music | Martin Cockroft
Tribe | Cedar

The angels have no wings

the angels have no wings,
they come to you wearing
their own clothes.
they have learned to love you
and will keep coming
unless you insist on wings

~ Lucille Clifton
from *Collected Poems of Lucille Clifton*,
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Dreams

Hold fast to dreams
For if dreams die
Life is a broken-winged bird
That cannot fly.

Hold fast to dreams
For when dreams go
Life is a barren field
Frozen with snow.

~Langston Hughes
from *The Collected Works of Langston Hughes*.
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Songs & readings omitted at the 8:00 service are marked with an *

A bell rings. We listen to the longing of our hearts. We remain seated.

Gathering Song | The Light of Christ

by Donald Fishel

The musical notation consists of two staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a whole rest, and a 2/4 time signature. The melody starts with a quarter note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, and then a quarter note B4. The time signature changes to 4/4, and the melody continues with a quarter note C5, a quarter note D5, a quarter note E5, and a quarter note F5. The lyrics 'The li - ght o - f Christ has come in - to the world' are written below the notes. The second staff repeats the same melody and lyrics.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

After the gathering song, the Celebrant invites us to stand.

A Call to Worship

Celebrant In the beginning

People was the Word.

Celebrant The Word was with God,

People and the word was God.

Celebrant In the beginning was God.

People All things came into being through God. What has come into being is life,

Celebrant and that life is the light of all people.

People The light shines in the darkness,

Celebrant and the darkness did not

People will not

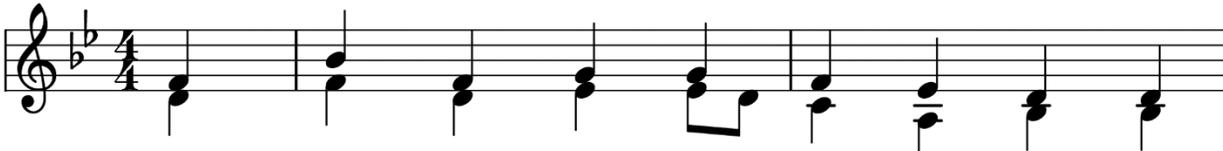
Celebrant can not

People overcome it.

We remain standing and sing together.

Opening Song | On Jordan's Banks the Baptist Cries *

Words: Charles Coffin; trans. John Chandler | Music: WINCHESTER NEW, LM; harm. William Henry Monk



1 On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry an -
2 Then cleansed be ev - ery life from sin; make
3 We hail you as our Sav - ior, Lord, our
4 Stretch forth your hand; our health re - store, and



nounc - es that the Lord is nigh; a - wake and heark-en,
straight the way for God with-in, and let us all our
ref - uge and our great re-ward; with - out your grace we
make us rise to fall no more. O let your face up -



for he brings glad ti - dings of the King of kings!
hearts pre - pare for Christ to come and en - ter there.
waste a - way like flowers that with - er and de - cay.
on us shine and fill the world with love di - vine.

The Collect

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

God our light, we are looking for you. In your compassion, draw us to come and see your power, know your goodness, and embody your deliverance, that a new song may fill our mouths, and your justice, our world. **Amen.**

WE TELL THE STORY

We are seated for the reading.

The First Reading | Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands,
pay attention, you peoples from far away!
The Lord called me before I was born,
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.
He made my mouth like a sharp sword,
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;
he made me a polished arrow,
in his quiver he hid me away.
And he said to me, "You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."
But I said, "I have labored in vain,
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;
yet surely my cause is with the Lord,
and my reward with my God."
And now the Lord says,
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him,
and that Israel might be gathered to him,
for I am honored in the sight of the Lord,
and my God has become my strength —
he says,
"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant
to raise up the tribes of Jacob
and to restore the survivors of Israel;
I will give you as a light to the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

(Reading continues on the following page.)

Thus says the Lord,
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,
the slave of rulers,
“Kings shall see and stand up,
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,
because of the Lord, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

After the reading, the reader will say
The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

We stand and say the psalm.

Psalm | 40:1-12

I waited patiently upon the Lord;
he stooped to me and heard my cry.

**He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay;
he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.**

He put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our God;
many shall see, and stand in awe,
and put their trust in the Lord.

**Happy are they who trust in the Lord!
they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.**

Great things are they that you have done, O Lord my God!
how great your wonders and your plans for us!
there is none who can be compared with you.

**Oh, that I could make them known and tell them!
but they are more than I can count.**

In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure
(you have given me ears to hear you);

**Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required,
and so I said, "Behold, I come.**

In the roll of the book it is written concerning me:
'I love to do your will, O my God;
your law is deep in my heart.'

**I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation;
behold, I did not restrain my lips;
and that, O Lord, you know.**

Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance;
I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great congregation.

**You are the Lord;
do not withhold your compassion from me;
let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever.**

We are seated for the second reading.

The Second Reading | I Corinthians 1:1-9 *

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind — just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you — so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

After the reading, the reader will say

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

We stand together and sing

Gospel Song | **Come and See**

Words: From John 1:38,39 | Music: Martin Cockroft

The image shows two staves of musical notation in 3/4 time, with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The first staff contains the melody for the lyrics "What are you looking for?". The notes are: quarter note G4, quarter note A4, quarter note B4, quarter note G4, quarter note F4, quarter note E4, quarter note D4. The second staff contains the melody for the lyrics "Come and see". The notes are: quarter note G4, quarter note A4, quarter note B4, quarter note G4, quarter note F4, quarter note E4, quarter note D4. Both staves end with a double bar line.

The Celebrant introduces the Gospel by saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Gospel | John 1:29-42

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

After the Gospel the Celebrant will say

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

What are you look - ing for?
Come Co - me and see

OUR RESPONSE TO THE STORY

The Homily

Affirmation of Faith

We stand and say

**We believe in God above us,
maker and sustainer of all life,
of sun and moon,
of water and earth,
of all humanity.**

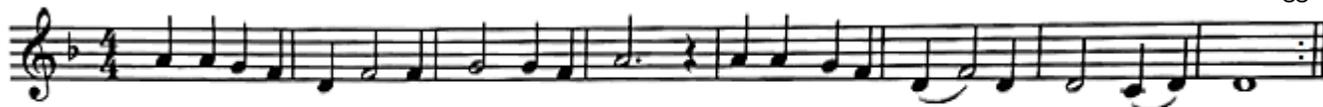
**We believe in God beside us,
Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh,
born of a woman's womb, servant of the poor.
He was tortured and nailed to a tree.
Knowing full passion and deep sorrow, he died forsaken.
He descended into the earth to the place of death.
On the third day he rose from the tomb.
He ascended into heaven to be everywhere present.
And his Kingdom will one day be known.**

**We believe in God within us,
the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire,
life-giving breath of the Church.
She is the Spirit of healing and forgiveness,
source of resurrection and of life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

In today's *Prayers of the People*, we pray in response to excerpts from Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s "Letter from Birmingham Jail."

William Doggett



When I was in trouble, I called out to God. I called out to God, and God was there.

Leader "I am cognizant of the interrelatedness of all communities and states. I cannot sit idly by in Atlanta and not be concerned about what happens in Birmingham. Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly affects all indirectly."

We pray for the world. Give vision, companionship, and strength to all who long for transformation and healing. We pray especially for those situations of pain and injustice we name now.

We pause for prayers to be offered silently or aloud.

Leader To you, God of love,
All we raise our voices.

Leader "I must confess that I am not afraid of the word 'tension.' I have earnestly worked and preached against violent tension, but there is a type of constructive nonviolent tension that is necessary for growth."

We pray for households, neighborhoods, schools, and institutions experiencing tension. In the spaces of tension we inhabit, give us wisdom to abandon violence, and to grow in patience, gentleness, and gratitude. Infuse our lives with your peace.

We pause for prayers to be offered silently or aloud.

Leader To you, God of love,
All we raise our voices.

Leader "I must honestly reiterate that I have been disappointed with the church. [...] In the midst of a mighty struggle to rid our nation of racial and economic injustice, I have heard so many ministers say, 'Those are social issues which the gospel has nothing to do with.' And I have watched so many churches commit themselves to a completely otherworldly religion which made a strange distinction between bodies and souls, the sacred and the secular."

We pray for the church around the world. Lead this and all communities of faith out of complacency and into faithfulness. Guide us to listen to and pray for our neighbors, to love with our actions, and to seek justice.

We pause for prayers to be offered silently or aloud.

Leader To you, God of love,
All we raise our voices.

Leader “We must come to see that human progress never rolls in on wheels of inevitability. It comes through the tireless efforts and persistent work of men [and women] willing to be coworkers with God, and without this hard work time itself becomes an ally of the forces of social stagnation.”

We pray for all who are discouraged as they work for peace and justice. Renew and strengthen all who seek justice, especially parents, educators, health workers, teachers, volunteers, those who care for the earth, and all in positions of public trust. We pray for Chaplains on the Harbor, our ministry partners as they pastor, organize, and empower the leadership of poor people in Grays Harbor County.

We pause for prayers to be offered silently or aloud.

Leader To you, God of love,
All we raise our voices.

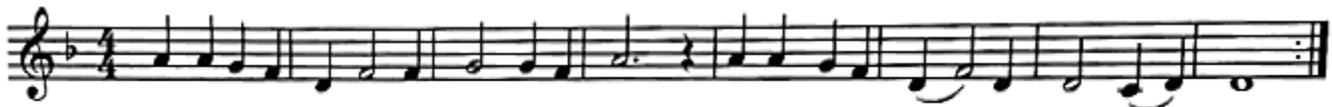
Leader “Was not Jesus an extremist in love? - ‘Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, pray for them that spitefully use you.’” [...] “So the question is not whether we will be extremist, but what kind of extremists we will be.”

Kindle trust and generosity in the lives of all gathered here. Help us to love one another as you love. We pray now for those on our prayer list.

We pause for prayers to be offered silently or aloud.

Leader To you, God of love,
All we raise our voices.

William Doggett



When I was in trouble, I called out to God. I called out to God, and God was there.

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Silence may be kept.

All **Most merciful God,**
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

We conclude these prayers with the sharing of God's peace.

Celebrant Now the peace of the Lord be always with you.
All **And also with you.**

We remain seated.

Offertory Song | 40 *

by u2 | Offered by Music Circle Ensemble

I waited patiently for the Lord
He inclined and heard my cry
He brought me up out of the pit
Out of the miry clay

I will sing, sing a new song
I will sing, sing a new song
How long to sing this song?
How long to sing this song?
How long to sing this song?

He set my feet upon a rock
And made my footsteps firm
Many will see
Many will see and fear

I will sing, sing a new song
I will sing, sing a new song
How long to sing this song?
How long to sing this song?
How long to sing this song?

WE GATHER AROUND THE TABLE

We stand as the table is set with the gifts of our hearts and hands.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon and stars; earth, wind and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away. And yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity lifting our voices to you as we sing:

Traditional Argentine | Translated by Jose Alvarez & Debi Tyree

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, My heart, my heart a - dores you. My
San - to, san - to, san - to, Mi cor - a - zon te/a - dor - a. Mi
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, My heart, my heart a - dores you. My

heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly Lord.
cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to/e - res Se - nor.
heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly Lord.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus, the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.

Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again he gave thanks to you, gave it to them and said: "Drink this, all of you. And whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now, gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet of the world.

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

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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 Breaking of the Bread

We are now invited to share the gifts of Communion.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast! Alleluia!

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Please know that at Grace Church all are invited to receive the bread and wine. This sacrament is God's free gift. Assist the Chalice Bearers by tipping the cup from the base. Please tell your server if you prefer alcohol free wine, or a wafer that is free from gluten, soy, and dairy.

Music is offered as we receive the bread and cup.

Music During Communion | MLK * *by Adam Clayton, Dave Evans, Larry Mullen, Paul Hewson*

Offered by the Music Circle Ensemble

*"MLK" is a U2 song written as one of two songs honoring King on their 1984 album, *The Unforgettable Fire* (the other song is "In the Name of Love").*

Sleep	Sleep
Sleep tonight	Sleep tonight
And may your dreams	And may your dreams
Be realized	Be realized
If the thundercloud	If the thundercloud
Passes rain	Passes rain
So let it rain	So let it rain
Rain down on him	Let it rain
So let it be	Rain on him
So let it be	

Jesus, Lover of My Soul *

Words: Charles Wesley | Music: Simeon B. Marsh



1. Je - sus, lov - er of my soul, Let me to Thy bo-som
2. Oth - er ref - uege have I none; Hangs my helpless soul on
4. Plenteous grace with Thee is found, Grace to cov - er all my



fly, While the near - er wa - ters roll, While the tem-pest
Thee; Leave, O leave me not a - lone, Still sup-port and
sin; Let the heal-ing streams a-bound; Make and keep me



still is high: Hide me, O my Sav - ior, hide,
com - fort me: All my trust on Thee is stayed,
pure with - in: Thou of life the foun-tain art,



Till the storm of life is past; Safe in - to the
All my help from Thee I bring; Cov - er my de-
Free-ly let me take of Thee; Spring Thou up with-



ha - ven guide; O re - ceive my soul at last.
fense-less head With the shad - ow of Thy wing.
in my heart, Rise to all e - ter - ni - ty.

When Night Becomes Dark *

Taizé Community



When the night be - comes dark, your love, O Lord, is a fire, your love, O Lord, is a fire.

*Following communion we share silence with one another.
The quiet will last a few minutes and will begin and end with a bell.*

We remain seated and sing together.

Song After Communion | Freedom Bound *

by June Jordan

We have come too far, we can't turn 'round; we'll
flood the streets with jus - tice, we are free - dom bound.

GOING OUT INTO GOD'S WORLD

Our Prayer after Communion

We stand and say together

**Eternal God,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

The Celebrant offers a blessing.

The peace of Christ, which passes all understanding, guard your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God. And the blessing of God, the power of the Spirit, and the compassion of Christ strengthen and sustain you today and always. **Amen.**

Closing Song | We Are Marching in the Light of God / Siyahumba *

South African

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are: "We are march - ing* in the light of God, we are march - ing in the light of God, march - ing in the light of the we are march - ing, light of God, we are march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing in the light of God." The score includes various musical notations such as eighth notes, quarter notes, and chords, along with triplets and first/second endings.

* Alternate text: *dancing, singing, praying*

Birthday and Anniversaries *

We pray together then sing "God Grant Them Many Years."

Announcements *

Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Church

On Sundays, the preacher gives everyone a chance
to repent their sins. Miss Edna makes me go

to church. She wears a bright hat
I wear my suit. Babies dress in lace.

Girls my age, some pretty, some not so
pretty. Old ladies and men nodding.

Miss Edna every now and then throwing her hand
in the air. Saying Yes, Lord and Preach!

I sneak a pen from my back pocket,
bend down low like I dropped something.

The chorus marches up behind the preacher
clapping and humming and getting ready to sing.

I write the word HOPE on my hand.

~ *Jacqueline Woodson from *Locomotion*. Copyright © 2003*

January Ministry Focus: Chaplains on the Harbor

Collection baskets will be in the narthex. Helpful food items include: Individual packets of hot chocolate/coffee, oatmeal/cereal in plastic bowls, individual fruit cups, snack bars, peanut butter, and powdered milk.

Upcoming Events & Programs

Today | January 19 | Youth Group | 5 – 7 pm

January 20 | Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

The Grace office will be closed.

January 21 | Streets of Seattle | 5 pm

Meet at Grace at 5pm to prepare a warm, healthy meal to serve at the outdoor meal site in Seattle. Or meet us at 8pm at 6th & James to serve. Find a signup link here: www.gracehere.org/streets-of-seattle

January 23 | Book Discussion | 12 pm

Join us in the living room each Thursday during January for a discussion of C.S. Lewis's classic work, Perelandra. For more information, contact Wayne Herbert, co-chair of Faith Formation at herbert@sbcglobal.net or Kim Cockroft, minister of Faith Formation at kim@gracehere.org

January 26

We Welcome Chaplains on the Harbor

Chaplains on the Harbor will offer the homily during the 8:00 & 9:30 am liturgies, with Service Sunday following.

Service Sunday | 11am-12:30 pm

We will be assembling food baskets for Chaplains on the Harbor.

Newcomer Dinner | 5 - 7 pm in Walker Hall

At the next family-friendly newcomers' event, we'll share a light soup supper, meet Grace's leadership, share stories, and tour Grace. Contact Mairead Shutt: mairiadshutt@gmail.com

Register now for these upcoming retreats

February 8 | Couples Retreat | 9 am – 4 pm

Register online: www.gracehere.org/couples-retreat

February 29 | St. Hildegard Day Retreat | 10 am – 2 pm

For information contact Kim Cockroft: kim@gracehere.org

Ongoing Grace Ministries & Programs

Eucharist

8am & 9:30am Sundays

Youth Group Gathering

5 – 7pm 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Sundays
11:15 – 2pm Service Sundays on 4th Sundays

Poetry as Prayer Practice

11am 1st & 3rd Sundays

Centering Prayer

Noon to 1pm Tuesdays

Healing Eucharist & Bible Study

10:30am to noon Wednesdays

Grace Music Circle Rehearsals

7pm Wednesdays. Info:
martin@gracehere.org

Streets of Seattle

5pm 3rd Tuesdays starting in the Grace kitchen

Mom's Morning Retreat

9:30-11am 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Thursdays
September through May

Island Kirtan

7-8:30pm 1st Thursdays

Compassionate Caring Support Group

9:30-11am 2nd & 4th Fridays

Friday Friends Bulletin Folding

10:30am Fridays

Super Suppers

3pm the last Friday of every other month, Eagle Harbor Congregational Church

Grounds & Trails Work Party

9am to noon 3rd Saturdays

Service Sundays

11:30am-12:30pm 4th Sundays

Team Flower Altar Arrangements

To participate, contact janicejeffcoat@msn.com