

MINISTRIES AT GREEN LAKE CHURCH

Green Lake Preschool and Childcare Center

For more than twenty years, Green Lake Church has been providing quality child care to the Green Lake community. Green Lake Preschool and Childcare Center, a nonprofit organization, operates by and in a manner consistent with the philosophy and mission of Green Lake Church. People of all faiths and those without religious traditions are welcome at the preschool. It's a safe place for any child to experience the important common denominators of unity, equality, respect, sharing, and community spirit. Green Lake Preschool has been continuously accredited by NAEYC since 1999.

Ronald McDonald House

Every Thanksgiving, Green Lake Church provides the food for Thanksgiving dinner at the Ronald McDonald houses associated with Children's Hospital. We typically feed about 80 families. Leftover funds and donated goods are provided to stock the pantries of the houses.

His Kids

For the past six years in December, Green Lake Church has had the His Kids Christmas Store, which provides the opportunity for more than 50 needy children and teens to shop for Christmas gifts for their family members. While they wait for their gifts to be wrapped, they and their families enjoy snacks, Christmas music, and crafts.

Sacred Heart Shelter Cooking

For almost three years, several young adults have been cooking a four- or five-course vegetarian dinner monthly at the Sacred Heart Shelter in downtown Seattle. The shelter is unlike any other shelter in that it is structured like a home and the residents eat dinner family style. The shelter houses families and women, as well as single fathers with children. Volunteer cooks are encouraged to plan a healthy menu and contribute all the ingredients and labor involved in preparing the meals.

Hands Across the Waters

This ministry exists to encourage awareness of needs outside our country and an opportunity to be directly involved. Weekly offerings are collected by the children after the children's story during the church service. This past year an International Food Fair fundraiser was a great success, and we hope it will be an annual event. Currently, we are supporting abandoned widows in India and children's education through PRIA ministries. Past projects include books for an orphanage in Mexico, a trip to help the orphanage construction, and educational support of girl scholars in Africa.

Lecture Series

Twice yearly—spring and fall—Green Lake Church sponsors a weekend Lecture Series with guest speakers on theological and ethical topics. Contact the church office (206-522-1330) to be notified about impending programs.

Clean Slate Improv

We're convinced that family, fun, and laughter go hand in hand in hand. We strive to create a welcoming environment where our players and the audience work together to explore life in a Christian setting. For the past five years, Green Lake Church has sponsored Clean Slate Improv. Currently, we do not have regular improv shows at our church; however, former team members have branched out to offer improv on the University of Washington campus. In 2010, we plan to offer classes to our teens and friends. We hope to have a few shows in 2010 to showcase our new talent, followed by open stage where one can sing a song, share a poem, do an interpretive dance, or even try a little improv. Leave your name and contact information at the church office (206-522-1330) to receive information about the classes or to be placed on the notification list for the next show.

Green Lake Academy of Fine Arts

For last two summers in August, Green Lake Church has conducted a week-long Academy of Fine Arts to introduce children ages 6 through 16 to music and the arts. Contact the church office for information.

Choirs

Adult, youth, and children's choirs enhance the Saturday morning worship service.

Orchestra

The church orchestra provides an opportunity for budding musicians to play with a team and polish their orchestral skills.

Cypress Adventist School

Green Lake Church is a constituent church of Cypress Adventist School (grades K-8) in Lynnwood, Washington, contributing to the school's operations and tuition scholarship program.

Bible Studies

Our small group meets weekly to study, socialize, and do outreach. We are composed primarily of young professionals. This year's study portion has focused on various books of the Bible as well as looking at spiritual disciplines. For outreach, we've begun serving a meal a Nickelsville once a month. As important as these portions are, sharing food, catching up on the week's events, and spending prayerful time together helps solidify us as a group.

Church Softball League

During late spring and summer, Green Lake Church participates in a coed softball league composed of six area Christian churches.

Summer Hikes

Hikes of varying difficulty are led by church members to scenic locations in the Puget Sound area during the summer.

Weddings

Green Lake Church makes its facility available for Christian weddings. Contact the church office for information.

Vegetarian Potluck Meals

Once a month (usually the second Saturday), members gather at 12:30 in the church fellowship hall following Saturday morning service for a vegetarian potluck lunch.