



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

# Welcome.

All Souls is a church in and for the city, and exists to be a vibrant expression of who God is—gracious, present, hospitable.

Launched in 2010, we are a worshipping community rooted in the belief that the historic Christian gospel is true, compelling, and promises to change our lives powerfully, in the direction of freedom, wholeness, and hope.

We seek to embody and articulate this gospel of grace, bringing about spiritual, social, and cultural renewal in Seattle and, through it, the world.

As a church, we are part of that historical, counter-cultural community that Jesus started and continues to build, sustain, and perfect.

Anyone is welcome in worship, and we encourage you to come as you are. We understand that visiting a church for the first time can be intimidating. So it's our commitment to walk you through each component of the worship service so no one feels like an outsider. There will be no obscure, tribal language. No 'in-house' moments.

Our worship is structured, with liturgy and rich music that connects us to the church of old and those who've gone before us—we are deeply rooted in something much larger than ourselves or our own cultural moment. But worship should be accessible and enjoyable if it's to be meaningful.

You should always feel the freedom to participate actively in worship or to just listen and observe at your discretion. It is a time to process freely and safely the audacious claims of Jesus, and the inevitable tension between the beauty and scandal of the historic Christian gospel.

We haven't heard the gospel for what it really is if we don't find it at once horribly offensive and staggeringly beautiful. It is both heart-breaking and heart-mending.

So let us explore. *Let us worship.*



*All Souls*

# Exploring?

Do you have questions about the Christian faith?

Do you wrestle with intellectual barriers that make belief seem implausible, even irresponsible?

Do you struggle to reconcile a good God with a hurting world?

We recognize that belief is hard. That's why:

- We value questions, and the people who ask them
- We prize being a community where you can belong before you believe
- We assume, each Sunday, that there are people present who are not convinced
- We desire to talk *to* skeptics not *about* them
- You are welcome here...

So, be curious. Doubt. Ask. Explore.

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*cover illustration by Scott Erickson*

the very condition of having friends is that  
we should want something else besides friends...  
Friendship must be about something, even if it  
were only an enthusiasm for dominoes or  
white mice. Those who have nothing can share  
nothing; those who are going nowhere can have  
no fellow travelers.

C. S. Lewis

The Four Loves

# Order of Worship

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*Please silence all devices for  
the duration of worship*

## welcome

*standing*

## call to worship

*based on Psalm 103*

Bless the Lord, O my soul  
All that is within me  
Bless His holy name

Bless the Lord, O my soul  
who forgives you  
who redeems you  
who satisfies you

Bless the Lord, O my soul

*from Psalm 57*

Be merciful to us, O God, be merciful to us,  
for in you our souls take refuge;

**In the shadow of your wings we will take refuge, till the storms pass by.**

We cry out to God Most High, **to God who fulfills his purposes for us.**

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens. Let your glory be over all the earth!

**Awake, my glory! Awake, O harp and lyre! We will awake the dawn.**

For your steadfast love is great to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

**Be exalted, O God, above the heavens. Let your glory be over all the earth!**

*Text in **bold** is read aloud  
by the entire congregation.  
Plain text is read by the  
worship leader only.*

## invocation

Psalm 55:22a

*In the Bible, God calls us to  
worship, because it is not our  
natural impulse to come to  
Him. But He calls, reminding  
us of His pursuing love, and  
we respond in gratitude.*

Cast your burden on the Lord,  
and he will sustain you

## hymns

### Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

words: Robert Robinson  
music: Ashael Nettleton

Come thou fount of every blessing,  
Tune my heart to sing thy grace  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
Call for songs of loudest praise  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
Sung by flaming tongues above  
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it,  
Mount of God's unchanging love

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

O to grace how great a debtor,  
Daily I'm constrained to be  
Let that grace now like a fetter,  
Bind my wandering heart to Thee  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
Prone to leave the God I love  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,  
Seal it for Thy courts above

words: W.P. Mackay, 1863  
music: Nathan Ryan  
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We praise Thee, O God!  
For the Son of Thy love,  
For Jesus Who died, and is now gone above  
We praise Thee, O God! (2x)

chorus:  
Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Hallelujah! Amen.  
Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Revive us again.

We praise Thee, O God!  
For Thy Spirit of light,  
Who hath shown us our Savior,  
And scattered our night.  
We praise Thee, O God! (2x)

chorus

All glory and praise,  
To the Lamb that was slain,  
Who hath borne all our sins,  
And hath cleansed every stain.  
We praise Thee, O God! (2x)

chorus

Revive us again;  
Fill each heart with Thy love;  
May each soul be rekindled  
With fire from above.  
We praise Thee, O God! (2x)

chorus

*Hymns comprise most of the worship songs at All Souls, because of their richness, doctrinal depth, and focus on God's character and redemptive work. Many hymns are patterned after the Psalms with their varied expressions of praise and thanksgiving, and, too, a wrestling with what it is to trust in a love as audacious as the Lord's. Our hope is that these hymns and prayers set to music would lead us into a dynamic encounter with our Savior, in worship.*

## Holy, Holy, Holy

words: Reginald Heber, 1826

music: John B. Dykes, 1861

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning,  
Our song shall rise to Thee;

Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, Holy, Holy! All the saints adore Thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns

Around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim,

Falling down before Thee

Who wert, and art, and ever more shall be.

Holy, Holy, Holy!

Though the darkness hide Thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man

Thy glory may not see,

Only thou art holy;

There is none beside Thee,

Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

All thy works shall praise Thy name

In earth, and sky, and sea;

Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

## scripture reading + interlude

Psalm 89:5-8; 105:1-4

5 Let the heavens praise your wonders, O Lord,  
your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones!

6 For who in the skies can be compared to the Lord?  
Who among the heavenly beings is like the Lord,

7 a God greatly to be feared in the council of the holy ones,  
and awesome above all who are around him?

8 O Lord God of hosts,  
who is mighty as you are, O Lord,  
with your faithfulness all around you?

1 Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name;  
make known his deeds among the peoples!

2 Sing to him, sing praises to him;  
tell of all his wondrous works!

3 Glory in his holy name;  
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

4 Seek the Lord and his strength;  
seek his presence continually!

*It has been the practice of the church for thousands of years to have portions of the Bible read during worship. We do this because we are people who need to be shaped by all of God's Word.*

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

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

*seated*

*Confession of sin happens within the context of relationship, both with God and each other. We confess together, in community, before a gracious God who has given us himself. Confession both acknowledges our need for mercy and celebrates its abundance in Christ.*

*words: Henry Lyte,  
Justin Smith*

*music: Justin Smith*

## prayer of confession

Father in heaven, all glory and honor belong to you.

We come before you in need of your mercy and strength.

**Forgive us for pursuing comfort in the fleeting pleasures of the world.**

**Forgive us for resting our hope on the shoulders of broken, empty things.**

It is only by the blood of Jesus that we are redeemed and sustained.

**We are weak. But you are strong.**

**May we acknowledge and receive the power of the cross of Christ**

**as we humbly fall at your throne of grace.**

*Let's acknowledge these things silently before the Lord, knowing forgiveness and rest are freely available in Jesus.*

## hymn

Abide with Me

Abide with me; falls the eventide;  
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.  
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, abide with me.

Thou on my head, in early youth didst smile;  
And, though rebellious,  
and perverse meanwhile,  
Thou hast not left me, oft as I left Thee,  
On to the close Lord, abide with me.

I need Thy presence, every passing hour.  
What but Thy grace  
can foil the tempter's power?  
Who, like Thyself,  
my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless  
Ills have no weight,  
tears lose their bitterness  
Where is thy sting, death?  
Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still, abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross,  
before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom,  
and point me to the skies.  
Heaven's morning breaks,  
and earth's vain shadows flee;  
In life, in death, Lord, abide with me.

## receiving of grace

Jeremiah 33:8

*Hear the Lord's promise to his people through the prophet Jeremiah:*

I will cleanse my people from all the guilt of their sin against me,  
and I will forgive all the guilt of their sin and rebellion against me.

God's grace abounds for us, even in our weakness.

Let us remember the hope of the gospel: **In Christ, we are forgiven.**

# prayers of the people

10th Century African Hymn

Lord of Mercy, hear us as we pray, that we would believe and know:

The cross is the hope of Christians.

**The cross is the resurrection of the dead.**

The cross is the way of the lost.

**The cross is the Saviour of the lost.**

The cross is the staff of the lame.

**The cross is the guide of the blind.**

The cross is the strength of the weak.

**The cross is the doctor of the sick.**

The cross is the aim of the priests.

**The cross is the hope of the hopeless.**

The cross is the freedom of the slaves.

**The cross is the power of the kings.**

The cross is the water of the seeds.

**The cross is the consolation of the captive.**

The cross is the source for those who thirst.

**The cross is the cloth of the naked.**

We thank you, Lord, for the cross. **Amen.**

*We regularly pray for needs in our community, our city, and the world as an act of obedience and love, and to align our concerns with the Lord's.*

*If you have children with you, please feel free to use this time to teach them to pray with us.*

*Submit prayer requests to [prayer@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:prayer@allsoulsseattle.org)*

# hymn

It Is Finished

standing

"It is finished!" Sinners, hear it,  
'Tis the dying Victor's cry;  
"It is finished!" Angels, bear it,  
Bear the joyful news on high!  
"It is finished!"  
Tell it through the earth and sky

"It is finished!" All is over;  
Yes, the cup of wrath is drained;  
Such the truth these words discover,  
Thus the victory was obtained:  
'Tis a victory,  
None but Jesus could have gained

Justice from her awful station,  
Bars the sinner's peace no more  
Justice views with approbation,  
What the Savior did and bore  
Grace and mercy  
Now display their boundless store.

Crown the mighty Conqueror, crown Him,  
Who His people's foes o'ercame;  
In the highest heaven enthrone Him,  
Men and angels sound His fame!  
Great His glory!  
Jesus bears a matchless name.

*Thomas Kelly, ca. 1853*

*Preschool and elementary-age children are dismissed to All Souls Kids following announcements, where they can learn and discover in a language and style more suitable to them.*



*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.*

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.*

COMMUNION PRAYER

*Lord Jesus, your perfect life, your death, and your 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.*

*Allergen-free communion elements (wafer ingredients: organic brown and white rice flour) are available at the center of the communion table. To partake, please dip in either the wine (larger cup) or grape juice and proceed through the line.*

## gospel lesson

‘And they accompanied him’ | Acts 20:17–38

Rev. Andy Pelander

17 Now from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him.  
18 And when they came to him, he said to them:

“You yourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, 19 serving the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; 20 how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, 21 testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. 22 And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, 23 except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. 24 But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. 25 And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. 26 Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all, 27 for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. 28 Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. 29 I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; 30 and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. 31 Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish every one with tears. 32 And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. 33 I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. 34 You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. 35 In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’”

36 And when he had said these things, he knelt down and prayed with them all. 37 And there was much weeping on the part of all; they embraced Paul and kissed him, 38 being sorrowful most of all because of the word he had spoken, that they would not see his face again. And they accompanied him to the ship.

## offering

1 Corinthians 4:7

What do you have that you did not receive?

*Whether we have much or little, God calls us to treasure and trust Him above all. So we are to give as generously as we are able of the gifts that God has given to us, knowing that He who met our most dire need through Christ will continue to provide for every need we have. All gifts go toward ministry initiatives of All Souls and the relief of the poor.*

*If you are our guest today, please feel no obligation to give. Let us know you've joined us today, as well as any comments or prayer requests, by placing your comment card in one of the offering bowls as they are passed. Read more about giving in worship on p.12.*

# the Lord's table

## hymns

How deep the Father's love for us  
 How vast beyond all measure  
 That He should give His only Son  
 To make a wretch His treasure

How great the pain of searing loss  
 The Father turns his face away  
 As wounds which mar the chosen one  
 Bring many sons to glory

Behold the man upon a cross  
 My sin upon his shoulders  
 Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice  
 Call out among the scoffers

It was my sin that held Him there  
 Until it was accomplished  
 His dying breath has brought me life  
 I know that it is finished

## How Deep the Father's Love for Us

I will not boast in anything  
 No gifts, no power, no wisdom  
 But I will boast in Jesus Christ  
 His death and resurrection

Why should I gain from His reward  
 I cannot give an answer  
 But this I know with all my heart  
 His wounds have paid my ransom

*The Lord's Supper, also called Communion or the Eucharist, is the family meal of Christians. We invite all baptized followers of Jesus Christ who acknowledge their sin against God and their neighbors and confess their need for the grace of Christ to partake of this meal. We take it as a sign of health to have regular attenders who love our community but don't profess faith in Christ, and so remain seated during this time. If you are a Christian and haven't been baptized, please talk with our pastor. We would be honored to baptize you.*

*words and music by  
 Stuart Townend*

## Redeemed

Redeemed, how I love to proclaim it!  
 Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb;  
 Redeemed through His infinite mercy,  
 His child and forever I am.

*chorus:*

Redeemed, redeemed,  
 Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb;  
 Redeemed, redeemed,  
 His child and forever I am

Redeemed, and so happy in Jesus,  
 No language my rapture can tell;  
 I know that the light of His presence  
 With me doth continually dwell.

*chorus*

I think of my blessed Redeemer,  
 I think of Him all the day long;  
 I sing, for I cannot be silent;  
 His love is the theme of my song.

*chorus*

I know I shall see in His beauty  
 The King in whose law I delight;  
 Who lovingly guardeth my footsteps,  
 And giveth me songs in the night.

*chorus*

## standing

*words: Fanny Crosby, 1882*

*music: Nathan Ryan  
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## benediction + sending

1 Corinthians 16:23

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. **Amen.**

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

**Thanks be to God!**

*Our pastors and other leaders are available following the service for prayer or to answer any questions you may have about All Souls.*

*Unless otherwise noted, all Scripture is taken from The Holy Bible, English Standard Version (ESV) or New International Version (NIV).*

Please contact [info@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:info@allsoulsseattle.org) for details or directions to any of these gatherings, or visit [allsoulsseattle.org/calendar](http://allsoulsseattle.org/calendar).

## Gathering

### PINT NIGHT

Next: Monday, April 23, 7:30-9:30p

Join us at the Beveridge Place Pub, near Morgan Junction, for a pint and some friend-making. Anyone is welcome— especially those new to the All Souls community— so inviting friends and neighbors is easy. Bring your own food, and/or dog; **parents, find a sitter and have a night out!**

### DINNER FOR SIX

Next: Friday, May 11

Dinner for Six is a periodic meal hosted by those within the All Souls community who will welcome four to five others into their home (six total) as an opportunity to get to know folks and, very often, spark a new friendship(s). All are encouraged to sign up or host, and you will be assigned to a home.

## Growing

### WEEKLY PRAYER

Fridays, 11:45-12:30p

We gather to pray for our community and the world on Fridays at the All Souls Loft.

Bring your lunch and join us (4138 California Ave SW, 2nd fl.; [prayer@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:prayer@allsoulsseattle.org)).

### GROWTH GROUPS

Ready to learn and apply the Bible more broadly, press the gospel of Jesus further into your heart and life, dig into deeper, bigger questions, and share with greater transparency in a smaller (6-8 ppl max), gender-specific group? Growth Groups are a unique and more intimate place to grow spiritually, with a committed focus on discipleship. Details and sign up / [groups@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:groups@allsoulsseattle.org)

### JOIN A HOME GROUP

Home groups provide safe places to know and be known as we grow in relationship with ourselves, God, and one another. Each group is unique and has its own 'personality,' while they share a focus on growing in relationship with Jesus and with each other. Groups meet throughout the week and neighborhood. Please see p.11 for group meeting time, location, and contact details.

### CARE + COUNSEL

The Bible teaches that God has given us powerful tools to navigate difficulty and grapple with hard questions: the Holy Spirit, the gospel, and community. At All Souls we lean heavily on these for encouragement, direction, and life-change. So whatever it is, you should know it's okay to talk about it (relationships, sexuality, addiction, marriage/family, faith, etc.). Don't wait.

## Bulletin Board

### BRAVE EVENT

Saturday, May 5

Brave is a one-day catalytic event whose purpose is to remind a very specific demographic that they are worth celebrating: girls 12-18 years old who are in vulnerable situations like foster care, homelessness, youth probation, etc. If you are interested in volunteering or donating, please contact Nancy Spiro: 206-261-5381 / [nancyspiro@gmail.com](mailto:nancyspiro@gmail.com)

### BABYSITTING CO-OP

New members welcome! Join our community of All Souls families who help each other with childcare and gather monthly for playdates and fun. Contact: Anndrea Beaty ([beaty.anndrea@gmail.com](mailto:beaty.anndrea@gmail.com))

*How do we desire to be 'formed,' spiritually?*

*The gospel cultivates gratitude, generosity, patience, and compassion... and also a sense of wonder— a curious heart that seeks to know God more deeply and more intimately. Together, these are the makings of being 'spiritually formed'... alongside others, journeying toward maturity in Christ.*

*Coming to understand the gospel is the beginning of a process that gradually transforms how we do every aspect of life as new desires, new hopes, new thoughts, and new affections emerge. As we engage this new life in the Spirit, we find ourselves drawn to doctrines, practices, and disciplines that enable us to know Jesus more intimately, and savor Him more fully.*

*To meet with a pastor or other leader confidentially, or for a counseling referral: [pastor@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:pastor@allsoulsseattle.org)*

# All Souls Kids + Youth



Our ministry to children is designed to equip and partner with families as you seek to invest in the spiritual wholeness of your children.

We value the role of kids in our community, and are committed to cultivating an environment where they feel known, loved and respected. We intend to draw them into an engaging, enjoyable, and provocative encounter with the gospel using language familiar to them.

We encourage them to learn to ask good questions in the discovery of who they are and who God is, in the hope of building a foundation that shapes their lives for years to come!

Because worship is a celebration of grace, not a theological lecture, children of all ages are encouraged to join us at any time during the service— we are used to having them around!

We also offer a safe place for kids to be together during the service.

- **Nursery (4mos-new walkers) and Toddlers (18mos-2 yrs):** Both rooms are open through the entire worship service and are fully staffed by providers who are trained in First Aid/CPR. Little ones receive excellent care in a safe, peaceful space set up specifically for our babies and toddlers. Please sign your child in and out on the provided clip-board when you arrive and pick up. You will be contacted during worship, if needed.
- **3-year-olds, Pre-K (4-5 yrs), and Kindergarten:** Children begin in worship, and are dismissed midway to these dynamic and fun classes. Kids will receive excellent care as they play, sing, read, do crafts, and have a nut-free snack. *The Jesus Storybook Bible* is our primary teaching tool. Please sign your child in and out on the provided clip-board when you drop-off and pick-up.
- **1st, 2nd Grade, and 3rd-5th Grade:** Kids begin in worship and are dismissed midway to class where they will learn and discover in a language and style more suitable to young, growing hearts and minds. Our instruction is framed around a cyclical exploration of key Biblical truths and gospel realities. Students are dismissed by their teachers to rejoin their families after worship (except for the 4th-5th Grade Class, which rejoins their families before the Lord's Supper).

## Middle and High School Students

We desire to be a community where each of us experiences significant, lasting relationships that would highlight the active presence of Jesus in the lives of His people, and where we would encounter Jesus in ways that will shape our understanding and experience of His grace for the rest of our lives. And this is true regardless of age. Middle and high schoolers are invited to stay in worship to explore, question, and reflect alongside adults.

Because we believe we grow best in the context of relationship, we are committed to coming alongside middle and high school students through monthly, age-specific Growth Groups on Sunday evenings, geared towards laughing, playing, sharing, exploring, serving, studying, praying and growing together. If you have a middle or high school student, or would like to get involved, please contact us.

Additionally, **Young Life** has many opportunities for youth to connect, and to explore the gospel. To learn more, contact Area Director Alison Bray (alisonb.yl@gmail.com).

*If you have special needs or have a friend or family member with special needs, we do not want to miss an opportunity to serve you.*

*Please introduce yourself and let us know how we can serve you best.*

*Parents:*

*There is a designated and semi-private area in the teachers' lounge, through the double doors in the back-left corner, for anyone during the worship service.*

*Please use this at your convenience.*

*Learn more:  
[allsoulsseattle.org/kids](http://allsoulsseattle.org/kids)*

*See below:  
All Souls Kids classroom map (downstairs) on p. 12*

# How can I serve?



Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. (Romans 12:11)

We are called to serve, not to be served.

As Jesus came into the world to serve rather than to be served (Mark 10:42-45), our desire is that we as a church would regularly serve each other and also the under-resourced and marginalized of our neighborhood and city.

## ALL SOULS COMMUNITY

We value— and rely on!— a collaborative culture at All Souls.

We're not here to consume or spectate, but to **lean in, take ownership, and serve**, no matter what we bring to the table. We honor God with what he's given us and seek to bless those around us, as a family, on Sundays and throughout the week.

*current needs / opportunities to serve:*

- ▶ **Sundays** - As you might imagine, it takes many hands to turn a middle school into a warm, welcoming worship space. We need volunteers to help with set-up, greeting, coffee/snacks, and more. Contact: Charlotte Aljets ([charlotte@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:charlotte@allsoulsseattle.org)).
- ▶ **Make a Meal** - As a way to tangibly serve one another in challenging or transitional seasons of life, we as a family make meals for each other. To make *or request* a meal, please contact [communitycare@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:communitycare@allsoulsseattle.org). Thank you!

## NEIGHBORHOOD + CITY

Seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you. (Jeremiah 29:7)

As a church 'not just for ourselves', there are also lots of ways to serve and seek the well-being of our neighborhood and city through All Souls. We are primarily interested in connecting volunteers to vital service organizations already serving for the sake of renewal, mercy, and justice.

*current opportunities:*

### ▶ **West Seattle Young Life**

Young Life leaders go to where students are to develop relationships and to share the story and reality of God's love for them in Jesus Christ. Below are current ways to partner and support this ministry, its staff, and volunteers (for details and sign up contact [mercy@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:mercy@allsoulsseattle.org)).

- Provide dinner for Young Life Club (large group gatherings)
- Become a 'leader host' who cares and prays for a volunteer leader, even inviting them into your home/family life

### ▶ **Serve and Partner with the West Seattle DSHS Foster Care Office**

All Souls is actively building a relationship with the WA State Department of Social and Health Services' Delridge office. Foster care is a pivotal place to intervene upstream of many other social concerns (homelessness, addictions, etc), and opportunities to support kids and families in the foster care system are varied (toy/clothing donations, DSHS staff appreciations, etc). Please opt-in via email to receive regular updates with needs as they arise ([mercy@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:mercy@allsoulsseattle.org)).

- Office Moms & Dads is an on-call, daytime volunteer opportunity (customizable to your schedule!) to care for foster kids that have recently been removed from their home while a social worker works hard to find a foster care placement for them.  
Contact Janine Krebs ([westseattleomd@gmail.com](mailto:westseattleomd@gmail.com)) to learn more and to sign up for the next volunteer training.

### ▶ **YoungLives**

All Souls is in the early stages of a partnership with YoungLives, the ministry of Young Life to teenage moms. Our hope is to begin to invest in life-on-life mentoring with teen moms in West Seattle through entering into their lives, building relationships with them and with their little ones, modeling the unconditional love of Christ, and encouraging them to become the women and mothers God created them to be. All levels of commitment are welcome! If you have questions about this ministry, or are interested in hearing more about partnering with YoungLives, contact Rachel at [rachelpelander@gmail.com](mailto:rachelpelander@gmail.com).

# Home Groups

In a world that pushes us toward isolation, we need community— a place where we're known and loved, and can grow. Home groups are a vital part of shared life and growth in Christ— places of care and community where we discover and live the Christian life together.

Simply put, they are the best way at All Souls to integrate as a newcomer, build lasting friendships, and to consistently be in each other's lives. We are a community that places high value on this time together in God's word and in prayer, and also serving our city and neighborhoods.

All are encouraged to prioritize Home Groups, most of which meet every other week, Sept - June. They can be joined by *anyone at anytime*, and aim to accommodate a variety of schedules, including those of families and commuters.

Groups meet every other week beginning January 7. To join or learn more about a group please contact the leader(s) directly.

PLEASE NOTE: Group rosters are capped at 12 adults (plus kids). If a group is full, staff will help you find another option (groups@).

Neighborhood	Contact	Time	Notes
ADMIRAL	Graeme + Sarah Hanson s.wulf.hanson@gmail.com	Wed / 7 - 8:30p	Mixed group of adults
	Martin + Sarah Dillard sarahjdillard@gmail.com	Wed / 6:30 - 8p	Mixed group of adults; childcare provided
ALASKA	R.J. + Carolyn March rj@allsoulsseattle.org	Sun / 5 - 6:30p	Mixed group of adults; children welcome
ARBOR HEIGHTS	Jeff + Suzanne Case suzannecase3@gmail.com	Tues / 6 - 7:30p	Mixed group of adults; children welcome includes a meal
	Matt + Nancy Spiro Nicholas + Alyssa Incorvaia nancyspiro@gmail.com	Tues / 6 - 7:30p	Mixed group of adults; children welcome includes a meal
DELRIDGE	Jonathan + Rachel Faunce rachelfaunce@gmail.com	Sun / 4:30 - 6p	Mixed group of adults; children welcome includes a meal
FAIRMOUNT PARK	Jake + Emily Anderson jake.anderson486@gmail.com	Thurs / 6 - 8:30p	Mixed group of adults; includes a meal
YOUTH HOME GROUP	Stefphan Gambill stefphan@allsoulsseattle.org	Sun / 4:30 - 6p	All middle schoolers welcome (invite a friend!); meets at the All Souls Loft

Group schedules can also be found here: [allsoulsseattle.org/events](https://allsoulsseattle.org/events)

# Giving as part of worship

We recognize that as the church, we must consistently remind one another of the truth that everything we have is a gift from the Lord.

The Bible says that 'we know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for our sake he became poor, so that we through his poverty might become rich' (2 Corinthians 8:9). Jesus's death on the cross represents the most generous gift ever given—when he gave up everything in order to reconcile us to God.

Giving cheerfully, sacrificially, and consistently is a part of our worship—not because it's something churches do, but because giving in response to the gospel ought to be worshipful. When we are generous with others, we are reminding one another of the great generosity of our God.

All Souls seeks to build community, love our neighbors, and work for peace and justice within Seattle. Our desire in giving is not only to meet our own financial needs, but to be able to serve those in need in our city and neighborhoods.

## There are few ways that you can contribute financially to All Souls.

- › Place cash or check in the offering on Sundays
- › Mail a check, or set up automatic bill pay through your bank, payable to:  
All Souls  
PO Box 16613  
Seattle, WA 98116
- › For any assistance or questions about:  
Giving on a recurring basis via EFT (electronic fund transfer), stock donation, or non-cash contribution options (e.g. property or vehicle donation) please contact [bookkeeper@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:bookkeeper@allsoulsseattle.org)

*The intentional financial participation of those who consider All Souls their church home is vital. If you are not already tithing regularly, please prayerfully consider doing so.*

*If you have questions about tithing or biblical guidelines for giving, please ask.*

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It is the smallest of all seeds,  
but when it has *grown* it is  
larger than all the other garden  
plants and becomes a tree, so  
that birds of the air come and  
make nests in its branches.

Matthew 13:32