



January 1

# Welcome

**All Souls, seeking to be a church not just for ourselves, 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.

Please 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 God's grace, freely given to you.

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.

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.

All Souls is a safe place to begin from anywhere.  
So let us explore. *Let us worship!*

# 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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## How do I get connected?

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## All Souls Kids + Youth

[allsoulsseattle.org/kids](http://allsoulsseattle.org/kids) ( /youth )

## How can I serve?

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He did not wait till the world was ready,  
till men and nations were at peace.  
He came when the Heavens were unsteady,  
and prisoners cried out for release.

He did not wait for the perfect time.  
He came when the need was deep and great.  
He dined with sinners in all their grime,  
turned water into wine.

He did not wait till hearts were pure.  
In joy he came to a tarnished world of sin and doubt.  
To a world like ours, of anguished shame  
he came, and his light would not go out.

He came to a world which did not mesh,  
to heal its tangles, shield its scorn.  
In the mystery of the Word made Flesh  
the Maker of the stars was born.

We cannot wait till the world is sane  
to raise our songs with joyful voice,  
for to share our grief, to touch our pain,  
He came with Love: Rejoice! Rejoice!

Madeline L'Engle  
"First coming"

# Order of Worship

HAPPY NEW YEAR / SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS / JANUARY 1 2023



## **Please help us to be hospitable:**

Face covering is optional on the main floor of the building (recommended downstairs). Participate online if you have symptoms of Covid-19 or have known exposure to someone who has tested positive.

If you have any questions about our precautions, check out our website at [allsoulsseattle.org/covid](http://allsoulsseattle.org/covid) or email [info@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:info@allsoulsseattle.org).

*Our community gathers on Sundays to enter the presence of the Lord and offer him praise, as he graciously invites us to do. We come to sing, pray, encounter God's Word, celebrate Communion, and to simply be together.*

STANDING

## Call to Worship

*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.*

*American Spiritual compiled by John Wesley Work Jr. (1865)*

While shepherds kept their watching  
Over silent flocks by night  
Behold throughout the heavens  
There shone a holy light

*chorus:*

Go tell it on the mountain  
Over the hills and everywhere  
Go tell it on the mountain  
That Jesus Christ is born

Down in a lowly manger  
Our humble Christ was born  
And God sent us salvation  
On that blessed Christmas morn'  
Oh I said / *chorus*

I was a lonely seeker  
I saw both night and day  
And I asked the Lord to help me  
And he showed me the way / *chorus*

Psalm 84:1-3

How lovely is your dwelling place,  
Lord of heavenly forces!

**My very being longs, even years,  
for the Lord's courtyards.**

**My heart and my body  
will rejoice out loud to the living God!**

Yes, the sparrow too has found a home there;  
the swallow has found herself a nest  
where she can lay her young beside your altars,  
Lord of heavenly forces, my king, my God!

## Acclamation

Alleluia, to us a child is born:

**O come, let us adore him. Alleluia.**

**Bold** text is read together by the congregation. Plain text is read by the leader. Responsive readings remind us that during corporate worship God speaks to his people and we respond together as a community.

If you, or someone with you this afternoon, has special needs we do not want to miss an opportunity to serve you.

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

# Joy to the World

*words and music by Isaac Watts (1719)*

Joy to the world, the Lord is come  
Let Earth receive her King  
Let every heart prepare Him room  
And Heaven and nature sing x2  
And Heaven, and Heaven, and nature sing

He rules the world with truth and grace  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness  
And wonders of His love x2  
And wonders, wonders, of His love

Joy to the Earth, the Savior reigns  
Let all their songs employ  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and  
plains  
Repeat the sounding joy x2  
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy

*Music at All Souls is comprised of "psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs" (Eph. 5:19).*

*These are often works that date back as far as Jewish antiquity, anchoring us in the ancient roots of Christian faith. Sometimes these are newer works that reflect prayerfully and prophetically on our current moment.*

*They contain theological richness and focus on God's character and redemptive work. They also lend poetic voice to our deepest emotional expressions: praise and thanksgiving, anger and sorrow, hope and joy.*

*We sing because we believe God is with us— present in our worship; inhabiting the praises of his people.*

# Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

*words by Henry Van Dyke (1907) and music by Ludwig von Beethoven (1824)*

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,  
Opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;  
Drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day!

Thou art giving and forgiving,  
Ever blessing, ever blessed,  
Wellspring of the joy of living,  
Ocean depth of happy rest!

Thou our Father, Christ our Brother,  
All who live in love are Thine;  
Teach us how to love each other,  
Lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals, join the happy chorus,  
Which the morning stars began;  
Father love is reigning over us,  
Brother love binds man to man.  
Ever singing, march we onward,  
Victors in the midst of strife,  
Joyful music leads us Sunward  
In the triumph song of life.

*Confession 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.*

*Sin, in its essence, is a word that means, "an obsession or worship of oneself." Martin Luther described sin as "curving in on oneself," which causes a relational breach not only with people we harm, but also with God by not giving God the place he deserves in our lives as our loving Creator and Savior.*

BE SEATED

## Confession

*from Psalm 139:1-6; 23-24*

*A new year is a time when we make commitments, declare future hopes.*

*We ask, where does my life need change? And with that, we must also ask: where is the Lord calling me to repentance?*

*Where is He calling me to lay down habits of selfishness and pride?*

Let's pray this Psalm together and ask the Lord to show us where He might be calling us to abandon self-reliance and cling to Him:

**You have searched me, Lord, and you know me.**

**You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.**

**You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.**

**Before a word is on my tongue you, Lord, know it completely.**

**You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.**

**Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain.**

Let this be our prayer together, as a community:

**Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts.**

**See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.**

*Let's acknowledge our need for Jesus to do what we cannot: heal, forgive, and restore where we have harmed, hurt, and broken. After a brief silence we will sing our confession.*

*T.J. Williams / E. Wilson*

Lord, ha - ve mer - cy. Christ, ha - ve mer - cy. Lord, ha - ve mer - cy on \_\_\_\_\_ me. *Fine*

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Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, Chris - te e - lei - son, Christ, ha - ve mer - cy on \_\_\_\_\_ me. *D.C. al Fine*

## Receiving of Grace

Colossians 3:1-2

*We serve a God of limitless power and might. Yet, in all of his power he looks on us with mercy, and draws us into his family, because of what Jesus Christ has done.*

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

Hear and know that you are forgiven, and be at peace. **Thanks be to God.**

STANDING

## Liturgy of Community

As you're able, please stand and greet those around you— especially someone you haven't met!

## the Reading

*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.*

### Jeremiah 31:10-14

10 Listen to the Lord's word, you nations,  
and announce it to the distant islands:  
The one who scattered Israel will gather them  
and keep them safe, as a shepherd his flock.  
11 The Lord will rescue the people of Jacob  
and deliver them from the power of those stronger  
than they are.  
12 They will come shouting for joy on the hills of Zion,  
jubilant over the Lord's gifts:  
grain, wine, oil, flocks, and herds.  
Their lives will be like a lush garden;  
they will grieve no more.

13 Then the young women will dance for joy;  
the young and old men will join in.  
I will turn their mourning into laughter  
and their sadness into joy;  
I will comfort them.  
14 I will lavish the priests with abundance  
and shower my people with my gifts,  
declares the Lord.

### John 1:1-8

1 In the beginning was the Word  
and the Word was with God  
and the Word was God.  
2 The Word was with God in the beginning.  
3 Everything came into being through the Word,  
and without the Word  
nothing came into being.  
What came into being  
4 through the Word was life,  
and the life was the light for all people.  
5 The light shines in the darkness,  
and the darkness doesn't extinguish the light.  
6 A man named John was sent from God. 7 He came as a witness to testify concerning the light, so that through  
him everyone would believe in the light. 8 He himself wasn't the light, but his mission was to testify concerning the  
light.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Community Storytelling

*hosted by Rev. Kara Barrett*

## Interlude

*Musical interludes are included to provide space for reflection and worship.*

## Christmas Litany

*sung refrain:*

Joy to the world! The Lord is come  
Let earth receive her King  
Let every heart prepare Him room  
And heaven and nature sing (2x)  
And heaven, and heaven, and nature sing

*spoken prayer:*

God of joy and celebration  
God of love and mercy  
God of peace and righteousness

**We sing aloud and dance with the angels.**

**The ruler of all worlds, the shepherd of creation,**

**Jesus Christ has entered our world.**

Our Savior and King has come into the world,  
Not in power, not in might, but in the tenderness and vulnerability of love.  
Our Savior and King comes as the promise of life hidden in a mother's womb.

**In this season of God with us we celebrate with the angels.**

**We are graced by the wonder of God's presence.**

Steadfast love and faithfulness meet together,  
Righteousness and peace kiss each other,  
Faithfulness springs up from the earth!

**Shout aloud Hallelujah!**

**Our Savior and King has been born and a new world has begun.**

*sung refrain:*

He rules the world with truth and grace  
And makes the nations prove  
The glorious of His righteousness  
And wonders of His love (2x)  
And wonder, wonders, of His love!

## Grateful Giving

2 Corinthians 9:6-7

Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.





PRAYERS FOR THOSE  
NOT COMMUNING

Because All Souls is a church not only for the convinced but also for those journeying toward trust in Jesus, we gladly extend room for you to consider and dialogue.

Use the prayers below during Communion as guides to reflect upon and respond to what God is doing in your life.

PRAYER FOR THOSE  
SEARCHING FOR TRUTH

Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

PRAYER OF BELIEF

Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, and yet, 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 sin and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

\* Hosanna means "save me!" but with Jesus came to mean "salvation is here!"

## Communion

Communion, also called the Lord's Supper or the Eucharist, is the family meal of Christians.

### THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of Christ be with you always! **And also with you.**

### INVITATION + THANKSGIVING

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, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and everlasting God. We give thanks to you with those who have gone before us, and with brothers and sisters around the world, and along with the angels and all the company of heaven, we praise you with one voice:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lo - rd, God of pow - er,  
hea - ven and ear - th are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in  
excelsis Deo. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of  
the Lord our God, the King of heaven. Ho - san - na in excelsis Deo.

### BREAK BREAD

For as often as we eat this bread and drink the cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. (1 Cor 11:23-26)

Therefore, together, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, that we may be one with all who share this feast. **As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world, for by him, with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.**

### DRAW NEAR

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;

**Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

# Amazing Grace

words and music John Newton (1779), Sandra McCracken (2010)

Amazing grace how sweet the sound	Through many dangers, toils, and snares
That saved a wretch like me	I have already come
I once was lost, but now I'm found	This grace that brought me safe thus far
Was blind but now I see	And grace will lead me home
'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear	When we've been here
And grace my fears relieved	ten thousand years
How precious did that grace appear	Bright, shining as the sun
The hour I first believed	We've no less days to sing God's praise
	Than when we first begun

STANDING

## Hail to the Lord's Anointed

words by John Newton (1821); music by Sandra McCracken (2012)

<i>chorus:</i> Hail to the Lord's anointed, great David's greater Son!	To give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light,
Hail in the time appointed, His reign on earth begun!	Whose souls, condemned and dying, are precious in His sight / <i>chorus</i>
He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free,	He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth,
To take away transgression, and rule in equity / <i>chorus</i>	Love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in His path to birth / <i>chorus</i>
He comes in succor speedy to those who suffer wrong,	The tide of time shall never His covenant remove.
To help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong	His Name shall stand forever, that Name to us is Love / <i>chorus</i>

## Announcements + Benediction

Romans 8:38-39

For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

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

**Thanks be to God!**

*All Souls welcomes all who are trusting in Jesus Christ for salvation, understand the meaning of the Lord's Supper, and are in good standing with congregations that proclaim the gospel to receive Holy Communion with us.*

*Please note that we use wine and on-alcoholic grape juice for Communion.*

*For those with wheat allergies, a gluten-free cracker is available in place of the bread (ingredients: brown rice flour, safflower oil, flax seeds, quinoa seeds, amaranth seeds, chia seeds, millet, tamari soy sauce powder, sea salt).*

**A word to parents:**

*Children are welcome at the communion table. To receive the Lord's Supper, a child must have been baptized and received as a communing member by the leadership of this church or the governing body of the church to which you belong. If you have any question about how this process works, please speak with one of our pastors.*

*Scripture appears in either the New International Version (NIV) or the Common English Bible (CEB) unless otherwise noted.*

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

## Announcements

**We need your help!** All Souls has always been an “all-hands” kind of community, knowing both the need and gift of serving alongside each other. **Right now, we are looking for a few volunteers to round out our Winter 2023 schedule.** Current areas of need include Sunday set-up/teardown, warmly greeting folks at the door, and entry supervision during the service. Please contact Alyssa Reeve for more information and to join our amazing crew of volunteers (alyssa@).

**Epiphany Partay:** As a way to say a big *Thank you!* to our uber-talented, volunteer music team— and to the friends and family who play a key support role— we are gathering at the March family’s home for tamales and karaoke (optional), Friday, January 6, 5:30-8p. Future music team members welcome, too! RSVP with R.J. March (rj@).

## Group Life

### Home Groups

In a world that pushes us toward isolation, we need community— a place where we're known, loved, and belong. Home Groups are one of the main ways we learn to receive and extend the hospitality of Christ in our neighborhoods. See page 9 for details and contact R.J. March (rj@) to learn more.

### Grace Groups

Lord, where are you?

Seeking God in the midst of disappointment, unbelief, waiting, and hurt. Join hosts Rachel and Andy Pelander on four Friday evenings (**Jan 13, 27, Feb 10, Mar 3**) for dinner and interactive conversation. We'll explore scripture and learn how to pray in 'wilderness' and lament-filled seasons of life (RSVP andy@).

#### Grace Groups @Work

Join conversations that explore how to live more by God’s grace @work. Living by God’s grace is a paradigm shift for all of us, and as such we need community, prayer, and the Holy Spirit’s work as we join in what God is doing in and through our vocations. Make new connections and deepen connection with other All Souls people working in your field. Contact R.J. March (rj@) to join, to learn more, or to create a Grace Group @Work for another field.

**Finance:** An exploration of Biblical words like "tithe" and "mammon" in search of how God's grace transforms the way we hold our finances towards freedom and generosity. Resources and recordings from the conversations available here:



### Youth Group

Weekly student gatherings resume **Wednesday, January 4, 6:30-8p** at Trinity.

MS students meet in the Commons; HS students meet in the youth room. Dinner provided; invite a friend!

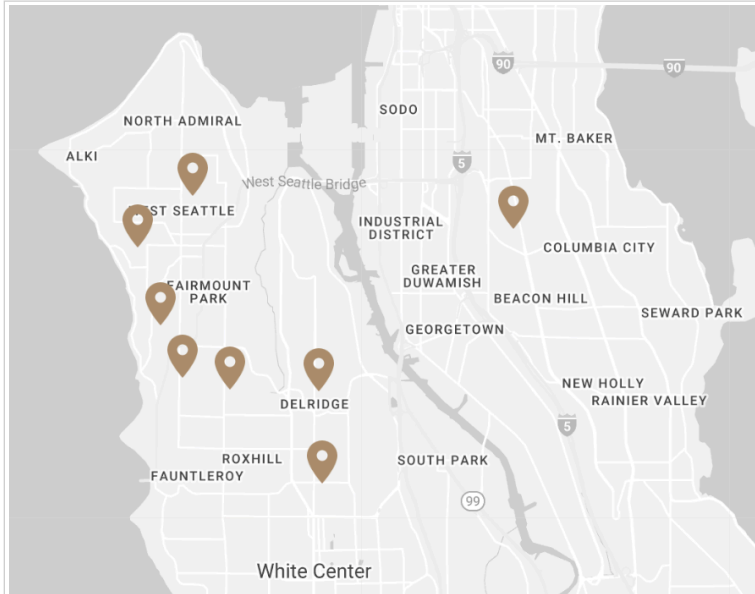
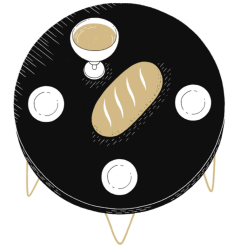
#### Sacred Road Summer Service Trip 2023

A team of youth (13 and older) and adults from All Souls will be returning to Central Oregon to serve the Warm Springs tribe. The dates are July 29-August 5. To reserve your spot, the cost is \$150 pp. Scholarships available. Join us after the service November 27th to learn more, or contact Suzanne Case [suzanne@](mailto:suzanne@)

**Parents:** Contact Suzanne Case with any questions ([suzanne@](mailto:suzanne@)), and follow us on Instagram ([@allsoulsyouth\\_parents](https://www.instagram.com/allsoulsyouth_parents)).

# Home Group Map + Details

These are open groups anyone can join at any time, built to be a place to share— food, stories, hopes, and life.



## ALASKA

Peter + Kara Barrett  
**Every other Sunday, 6-7:30p**  
indoors, mixed group of adults, kids welcome, meal included

## BEACON HILL

Janiece Jenkins and Ryan + Leah Yoke  
**Every other Sunday, 10-11:30a**  
mixed group of adults, kids welcome, meal included

## GATEWOOD - NORTH

Andrew + Jen Eckert and Steve + MaryAnn Simmons  
**Every other Thursday, 6-7:30p**  
online, mixed group of adults, kids welcome, meal included

## GATEWOOD - SOUTH

Luke + Terri Crook  
**Every other Sunday, 6-7:30p**  
mixed group of adults, meal included

## HIGHLAND PARK - NORTH

Dan + Alyssa Reeve and Jonathan + Rachel Faunce  
**Every other Monday, 6-7:30p**  
mixed group of adults, kids + teens welcome, meal included

## HIGHLAND PARK - SOUTH

R.J. + Carolyn March  
**Every other Sunday, 10-11:30a**  
mixed group of adults, kids welcome, meal included

## SEAVIEW

Dustin + Kelley Long  
**Every other Tuesday, 6-7:30p**  
mixed group of adults, kids + teens welcome, meal included

## WESTWOOD

Thad + Lauren Williams and Erik + Nicole Bennett  
**Every other Wednesday, 6-7:30p**  
mixed group of adults, kids welcome

Preview the three-part rhythm  
that guides our time together:



To connect with one of these groups,  
visit: [allsoulsseattle.org/connect](https://allsoulsseattle.org/connect)



# All Souls Kids + Youth on Sundays

Our ministry exists to help children in partnership with families to know Jesus, and experience his love.



## Sunday School

Sunday school classes are offered during worship October through June. We currently have two classes: **Lion Class** (PreK-1st grade) and **Bear Class** (2nd-5th grades)—hear them roar! Both classes meet downstairs.

**Parents:** please sign your child(ren) in prior to the start of the worship service. Sign-in sheets are located at the ASK table, just past the greeting table when you arrive.

**First time here? Welcome! All Souls Kids staff and volunteers are here to greet you and answer any questions.**

Kids will be dismissed from the service to their teachers prior to the scripture reading, and escorted to their classrooms. Teachers will bring students back to rejoin families just before the Lord's Supper.

Nursery provided for the entire worship service, ages 1-3. Parents: sign your little one in and out downstairs in the Giraffe (nursery) classroom.

## House Rules

In order to keep kids safe and extend hospitality toward our community and Trinity hosts, some house rules:

- Balcony, stage, and downstairs areas are closed to children and youth
- Walking feet only (no running) in the commons and hallways areas
- Adult supervision required in the sanctuary

Table activities are welcome and encouraged in the Commons! Families, please feel free to bring board games, etc. for kids during coffee hour. Encourage them to invite an adult friend to play!

## F.A.Q.

*Can I join my child in class, if they need me?*

Absolutely! Parents may accompany children to class for as long as needed.

*Can my child stay in the service with me?*

Yes! Children of all ages are welcome in the service at any time.

*What will they be learning?*

This fall we are sharing with children the immense love Jesus has for each of them, through story, song, and prayer. We will be sharing stories using *The Jesus Storybook Bible* series, as well as the Bible. Classes are designed to be engaging for all children, whether this is their first or hundredth Sunday at church!

*Is there an at-home connection?*

Yes! Each Sunday we encourage parents to ask children questions about what they learned! Perhaps these questions may help guide your discussion:

- Ask your child to retell the story from class today.
- What does this story teach you about God?
- Is there anything you'd like to ask God about this story?
- What is one thing you'd like to remember about this story?
- How is this story about you?

*How can I view your child protection policies?*  
Simple! Scan the code.



Additional questions? Contact Suzanne Case  
suzanne@allsoulsseattle.org

## Giving as Part of Worship

All we have is given to us by God. Our offerings express this joyful dependence and our commitment to join God in his work of renewal. 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, knowing that He who met our most dire need through Christ will continue to provide for every need we have. All giving goes toward ministry initiatives of All Souls and the relief of those in need.

While there are many ways to contribute financially to God's Kingdom, scripture says the Church is the primary means by which that kingdom is established on earth. So, God calls us first and foremost to be faithful in the regular, ongoing support of one's local church body through tithes and offerings. If you haven't made tithing a practice, please consider adopting this as a spiritual practice— that you might grow in faith.

We recognize, too, 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' 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 is intended to be worshipful. When we are generous with others we are reminding one another of the great generosity of 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 a few ways, in addition to during worship, that you can contribute financially to All Souls:

- Mail a check, or set up automatic bill pay through your bank, payable to:

All Souls  
PO Box 16613  
Seattle, WA 98116

- Visit [allsoulsseattle.org/give](https://allsoulsseattle.org/give) (ACH now available)



- 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. If you are our guest today, please feel no obligation to give.*

*Amidst one of the longest seasons of challenge most of us have ever experienced, we want to celebrate how God has continually met our community's financial needs. This has allowed All Souls to continue in her mission, entering our eleventh year of worship together, as a church in and for our neighborhood seeking to be a vibrant expression of who God is— gracious, present, hospitable. We thank God for your partnership in this work, and invite you to ask him how you might best reflect his radical, sacrificial generosity with your own.*

# All Souls

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## PASTORAL

Kara Nichols Barrett, *deacon*  
Suzanne Case, *pastor, kids + youth*  
R.J. March, *assoc. rector*  
Andy Pelander, *rector*

## COMMUNITY / LITURGICAL ARTS / OPERATIONS

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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