



January 8



# 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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Imagine Satan's sense of checkmate. He gets all humanity to turn away from God, to walk away from God, to walk away from love, and then God becomes one of us— becomes human.

Take this in: God does not become what God hates. God does not become what is not good. God does not give up on what he becomes.

kenneth tanner

# Order of Worship

FIRST SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY / JANUARY 8 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. *This is a safe place to begin from anywhere.*

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.*

*words and music by Alex Peterson (2022)*

God of glory we can't help but praise  
All your works declare  
that you are holy you are worthy  
By your mercy under wings of grace  
Father, glorify your name.

*chorus:*

Glorify your na - me (3x)  
Glorify your holy na - me!

Holy Spirit fill this empty space  
Fill our hearts with joy  
oh you are holy, you are worthy!  
By your power work in mighty ways  
Glorify your wondrous name! / *chorus*

Jesus brother, Savior, Prince of Peace  
At your table we are whole and free  
By your love we live eternally  
Jesus glorify your name! / *chorus*

Psalm 89:1-2, Isaiah 60:3

I will sing of the Lord's loyal love forever.

**I will proclaim your faithfulness  
with my own mouth  
from one generation to the next.**

That's why I say,

**"Your loyal love is rightly built—forever!  
You establish your faithfulness in heaven."**

Nations shall come to your light,  
**and kings to the brightness of your rising.**

## Acclamation

The Lord has shown forth his glory:

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

**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.

## Arise, Shine, For Your Light Has Come

words (adapted) and music by Jered McKenna (2013)

Arise, shine, for your light has come  
and the glory of God is on you  
Arise, see when the earth grows dark  
that the Lord will arise upon you  
The Lord will arise upon you

chorus:

Nations will come to your light  
Lift up your eyes and see  
We'll gather together and come to you  
And your love will be all that we know (2x)

Arise, come to the open gates  
for the Father is welcoming you  
Fear not for the Lord brings peace  
and redemption to all who believe  
Redemption to all who believe / chorus

The sun will not shine cause  
you'll be all the light that we need  
and violence will end  
all the wars that we wage will cease  
We will glorify your name (2x)

## Be Still, My Soul

words by Katharina von Schelgel (1752); music by Jean Sibelius (d. 1957)  
updated by Latifah Alattas, Reid Phillips, Dann Stockton, David Wilton (2010)

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side  
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain  
Leave to your God to order and provide  
In every change, He will remain

Be still, my soul: your God will undertake  
to guide the future, as in ages past  
Your hope, your mind, your will  
let nothing shake;  
All now mysterious shall be made bright

Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on  
When we shall be forever with the Lord.  
When disappointment, grief,  
and fear are gone,  
Sorrow forgot,  
love's purest joys restored.

## Confession

God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world,  
to reveal your love for all people.

**We confess that our selfishness and pride hide the brightness of your light.  
We avoid or turn away from those hurting or in need;  
we are blind to the spiritual complacency and deception in our own hearts;  
and we do not seek peace in our relationships that are unwell.**

Jesus, in your mercy, cleanse us, **and renew us with your Spirit.**

*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.*

*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.*

### BE SEATED

*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.*

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

Ephesians 1:7

*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.*

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace.

Hear and know that you are forgiven through Jesus Christ our Lord, who took on our mortal flesh to reveal his glory; that he might bring us out of darkness and into his own glorious light. **Thanks be to God.**

## Liturgy of Community

*Following prayer, students are dismissed to their classes downstairs, where they, too, can hear about the love and grace of God in their own language. Bear Class (2nd-5th) dismissed from the front, left of stage; Lion Class (Pre-k - 1st) dismissed from Sanctuary entrance.*

Lord, bless these children whom you love, as they discover in their own language who you are.

**Give them a sense of being known and loved by you,** and the freedom to come fully as themselves.

Bless our teachers, and be present in their every word and interaction.

**Beloved children, go in peace. Amen.**

STANDING

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.*

Acts 10:34-38

34 Peter said, "I really am learning that God doesn't show partiality to one group of people over another. 35 Rather, in every nation, whoever worships him and does what is right is acceptable to him. 36 This is the message of peace he sent to the Israelites by proclaiming the good news through Jesus Christ: He is Lord of all! 37 You know what happened throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism John preached. 38 You know about Jesus of Nazareth, whom God anointed with the Holy Spirit and endowed with power. Jesus traveled around doing good and healing everyone oppressed by the devil because God was with him.

Matthew 3:13-17

13 At that time Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan River so that John would baptize him. 14 John tried to stop him and said, "I need to be baptized by you, yet you come to me?" 15 Jesus answered, "Allow me to be baptized now. This is necessary to fulfill all righteousness." So John agreed to baptize Jesus. 16 When Jesus was baptized, he immediately came up out of the water. Heaven was opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God coming down like a dove and resting on him. 17 A voice from heaven said, "This is my Son whom I dearly love; I find happiness in him."

Psalm 1 (ESV)

1 Blessed is the man  
who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,  
nor stands in the way of sinners,  
nor sits in the seat of scoffers;  
2 but his delight is in the law of the Lord,  
and on his law he meditates day and night.  
3 He is like a tree  
planted by streams of water  
that yields its fruit in its season,  
and its leaf does not wither.

In all that he does, he prospers.  
4 The wicked are not so,  
but are like chaff that the wind drives away.  
5 Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,  
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;  
6 for the Lord knows the way of the righteous,  
but the way of the wicked will perish.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Homily

the Secret of Happiness

Rev. Drew Burdette, *Campus Pastor, Boise State University*

## Interlude

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

## Prayers of the People

*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, as we ask God to honor our hope that we are becoming a vibrant expression of who God is— gracious, present, hospitable.*

*sung words and music by The Porter's Gate*

*sung refrain:*

Lord Have Mercy (4x)

Holy Spirit, rest upon us

Lead us in the way of your justice

Holy Spirit, rest upon us

Teach us how to serve in our weakness

*spoken prayer:*

Lord, have mercy on the more than 900 youth in King County experiencing homelessness tonight.

Be a safe hiding place for those fleeing from abuse.

Protect and shield those vulnerable to exploitation.

Disrupt the cycles of instability.

**Provide sustenance, security, and stability.**

**Lord, have mercy.**

*sung refrain*

*spoken prayer:*

Lord, have mercy on the New Horizon staff, service providers, and volunteers.

We thank you for those who will break bread with and make beds for youth tonight.

Give strength, patience, and creativity to those who labor to end youth homelessness.

**Kindle love and compassion to participate in your acts of healing and renewal in Seattle.**

**Lord, have mercy.**

*sung refrain*

Amen.

## 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  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in

### 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.**

# It's God Who Saves

words and music by Nathan Partain

Like all God's prophets, his kings, and judges,  
were thieves and killers, adulterous liars,  
That he had chosen, to show his greatness.  
Just like those heroes, by grace he called me,  
so dead in my sin, it's him I boast in,  
I breathe but only, through faith in Jesus

*chorus:*

And, Oh, what joy and bliss,  
to enter Sabbath rest.

It's God who saves, not I,  
It's God who justifies.

He calls, he makes holy,  
It's God who saves, not I.

It's God who saves, not I,  
It's God who is my life.

All I bring is nothing,  
It's God who saves, not I.

Christ came to me who, hated God  
and was bent to chaos,  
and served destruction,  
In love he died, and paid my pardon.  
And then he raised me,  
with him in union,  
a wretch adopted, triune affection,  
Eternal power, and love unyielding.

*chorus*

If my salvation, to me was trusted,  
if we must hold fast,  
or keep love fervent,  
I'm lost already, my love unsteady.

But once redemption,  
is won its finished,  
his sure deposit, his steadfast Spirit,  
From grace beginning,  
to grace unending.

*chorus*

*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, sesame seeds, potato starch, 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 the New International Version (NIV) or the Common English Bible (CEB) unless otherwise noted.*

## STANDING

# Father, Let Your Kingdom Come

words and music by the Porter's Gate Project (2017)

*chorus:*

Hallelu, hallelujah  
Father, let Your kingdom come

May the works of my hands bring You joy (4x)  
And so we sing / *chorus*

May the words from my mouth  
speak Your peace (4x) / *chorus*

You make all things new (2x)  
In places we don't choose  
You make all things new / *chorus*

## Announcements + Benediction

2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **Amen.**

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

**Thanks be to God!**

*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

### **Warm Springs Summer Service Trip 2023** - *Reserve your spot now!*

All Souls will, for the third summer, send a team of youth (age 13+) and grown-ups from to serve on the Warm Springs Reservation in Central Oregon (near Madras, hour north of Bend), **July 29 - August 5**. The week on the Rez offers a mix opportunities for work, play, and rest, and is gifts a window into ways God is mightily at work beyond the “world” of our neighborhoods, as we simply show up to love our First Neighbors. To learn more and/or to secure your spot, please contact Suzanne Case (suzanne@) this month. Scholarships are available to help cover trip costs.

### **Members' Happy Hour** - *Following worship, Sunday, January 22 in the Commons*

Calling all ‘official’ All Souls members! Tis’ the season for Vestry nominations and we need our members to join us in this important, annual opportunity. We’ll explain the process and the work of Vestry, and have snacks and activities for kids, with the nursery open. Nominations will be open Jan. 22-29; contact Andy Pelander (andy@) with any questions.

**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@).

## 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**

*BEGINS THIS WEEK: 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 (6:30-9p, 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**

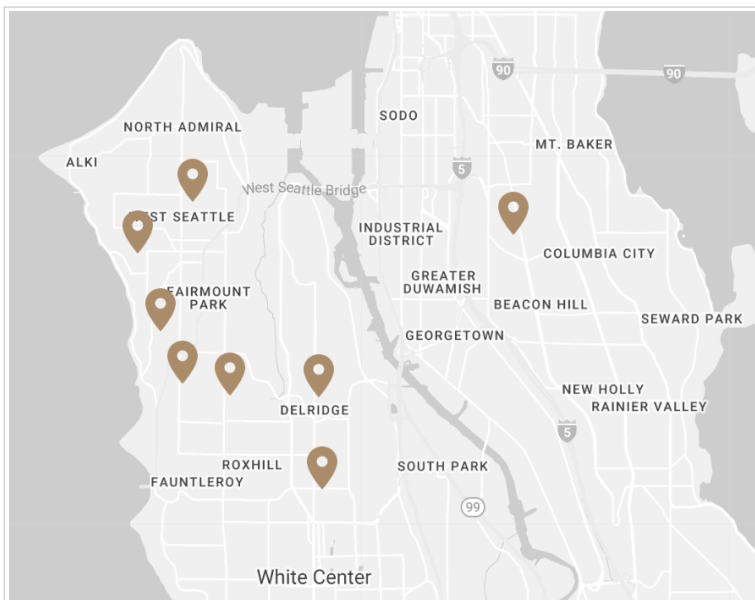
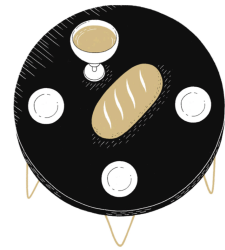
Weekly student gatherings resume **Wednesday, January 4, 6:30-8p at Trinity.**

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

**Parents:** Contact Suzanne Case with any questions (suzanne@), and follow us on Instagram (@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 0-5. **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.*

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Kara Nichols Barrett, *deacon*  
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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