



January 15

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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All Souls Kids + Youth

allsoulsseattle.org/kids (/youth)

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One morning last August, my body felt heavy as I slowly made my way downstairs to make my coffee. We had somehow endured yet another summer of violence— this time just with more of the world's attention. The sun crept through our windows; my son was sleeping soundly, and my wife was asleep upstairs.

I was struck at how ordinary this moment was— the house was still, quiet— yet chaos ravaged my mind, my body, all the way down to my feet. A gnawing rage and sadness sat trapped in my body. I didn't want to feel anything. But I knew I must feel everything.

I needed a way to think about all of the hell that was happening in our country. Numbers that kept climbing. Public lynchings. Hashtags. Eulogies. So I sat at our wooden table and cracked open my dusty Bible to join the cloud of witnesses. To see the ways they held their crosses, feeling every splinter— and to see the ways they were led at night by fire. As I sat and sipped, I listened.

Danté Stewart
Shoutin' in the Fire

Order of Worship

SECOND SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY / JANUARY 15 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 or email 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

from Psalm 95

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 Evan Wilson (2016)

Come, let us sing for joy unto the Lord	For the Lord is a great God (2x)
Let us shout to the rock of our salvation	In his hands are the earth, the seas (2x)
Oh, let us sing to him with thankful hearts	For the Lord is the great king (2x)
Shout for joy with music and song	The seas are his, he has made them (2x)
Oh, come	

Isaiah 42:5-7, 10

This is what God the Lord says—
the Creator of the heavens, who stretches them out,
who spreads out the earth with all that springs from it,
who gives breath to its people,
and life to those who walk on it:
“I, the Lord, have called you in righteousness;
I will take hold of your hand.
I will keep you and will make you
to be a covenant for the people
and a light for the Gentiles,
to open eyes that are blind,
to free captives from prison
and to release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness.”

**Sing to the Lord a new song,
his praise from the ends of the earth.**

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.

Come, Thou Fount

words by Robert Robinson (1758)

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 redeeming love

Here I raise my Ebenezer
Hither by Thy help I've 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
He to rescue me from danger
Interposed His precious blood

Oh, to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let Thy goodness 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, oh take and seal it
Seal it for Thy courts above

Glorify Your Name

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
Draw us near under your wings of grace
Glorify your holy name.

chorus:

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

Holy Spirit fall on us as we pray
Fill our hearts with joy
oh you are holy, you are worthy!
By your power work in mighty ways
Glorify your holy name! / *chorus*

Jesus brother, Savior, Prince of Peace
Lamb of God enthroned
oh you are holy, you are worthy!
At your table we are whole and free
Glorify your holy name! / *chorus*

Confession

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

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.

John 1:29-42

29 The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! 30 This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.' 31 I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel." 32 And John bore witness: "I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. 33 I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' 34 And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God."

35 The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, 36 and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" 37 The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. 38 Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, "What are you seeking?" And they said to him, "Rabbi" (which means Teacher), "where are you staying?" 39 He said to them, "Come and you will see." So they came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. 40 One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. 41 He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means Christ). 42 He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon the son of John. You shall be called Cephas" (which means Peter).

2 Peter 1:1-11

1 Simon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ,

To those who through the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ have received a faith as precious as ours:

2 Grace and peace be yours in abundance through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.

3 His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. 4 Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

5 For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; 6 and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; 7 and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love. 8 For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 But whoever does not have them is nearsighted and blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins.

10 Therefore, my brothers and sisters, make every effort to confirm your calling and election. For if you do these things, you will never stumble, 11 and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Homily

in Abundance

Rev. Andy Pelander

Interlude

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

Singing the Psalms

from Psalm 89

The Psalms teach us to bring a fuller range of our lives and our emotion to God. Please join us in the coming weeks as we engage the Psalms to learn to pray together.

words and music by Poor Bishop Hooper (2021); words updated by R.J. March (2023)

I will sing of Your steadfast love **(Forever, forever)**
Young and old, they will all hear of **(Forever, forever)**
Unfailing love and faithfulness **(Forever, forever)**
Enduring as the heavens **(Forever... forever)**

You have said of Your Chosen One **(Forever, forever)**
To Your servant, David, sworn **(Forever, forever)**
'I will make your kin as kings' **(Forever, forever)**
'Surely with me for eternity **(Forever... forever)**

The north, the south, You created them **(Forever, forever)**
And You hold it all in Your strong right hand **(Forever, forever)**
Righteousness and justice **(Forever, forever)**
Are the foundation where Your throne sits **(Forever... forever)**

And to the godly ones, You spoke of old **(Forever, forever)**
'It is David I have exalted' **(Forever, forever)**
'With my holy oil, I anointed him' **(Forever, forever)**
'So that My ways can be established' **(Forever... forever)**

O Lord, how long will this go on? **(Forever, forever)**
O Lord, how long will injustice work? **(Forever, forever)**
Where's Your steadfast love of old? **(Forever, forever)**
The love You swore to David's own? **(Forever... forever)**

Grateful Giving

1 Chronicles 29:14

But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this?
Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand.



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 -
5 er, hea - ven and ear - th are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in
9 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of
12 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.

Trinity Song

words and music by Sandra McCracken (2016)

Holy Father, Son and Spirit
Holy Communion, Three in One
Holy Father, Son and Spirit
Holy Communion, Three in One

Come with Your peace,
With Your invitation
Bind us together in holy love

STANDING

Be Thou My Vision

words: 8th C. Irish hymn, tr. Mary E. Byrne (d.1931); vers. Eleanor H. Hull (d.1935)
music: SLANE, Irish melody

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art
Thou my best thought, by day or by night
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light

Be Thou my wisdom and Thou my true Word
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord
Thou, my great Father and Spirit and Son
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance, now and al - ways
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart
High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art

High King of heaven, my victory won
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's son
Heart of my own heart, whatever be - fall
Still be my vision, O ruler of all

Announcements + Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord bless you
and keep you;
the Lord make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you;
the Lord turn his face toward you
and give you peace. **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, 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.

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

Members' Happy Hour - *Next Sunday following worship, 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.

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.

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

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

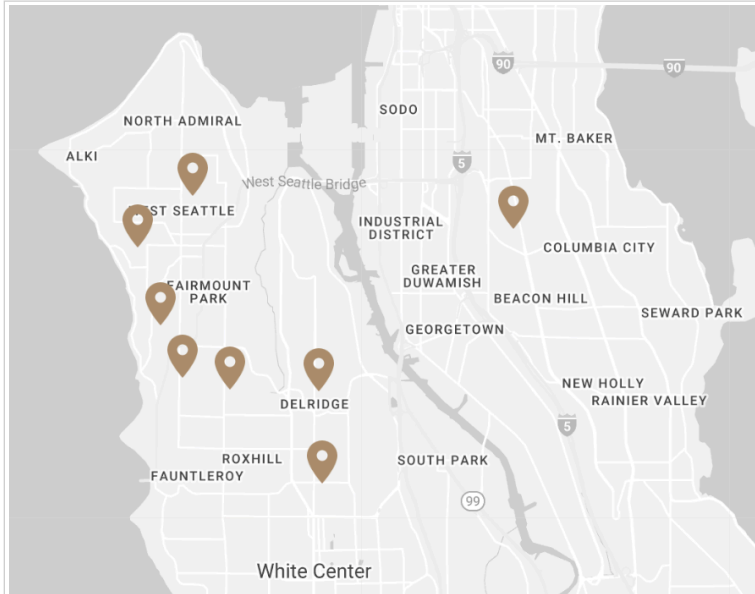
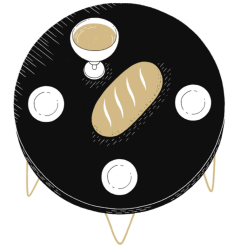
Weekly student gatherings resume **Wednesday, January 4, 6:30-8p at Trinity.**

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



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
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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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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