



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.

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

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

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

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

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

So let us explore. *Let us worship.*

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

Secular culture says the meaning of life is happiness.
If that's the meaning of life then suffering
destroys your meaning.

tim keller

Order of Worship

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY / 24 FEBRUARY 2019



*Please silence all devices for
the duration of worship*

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.

standing

welcome

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 scripture, celebrate Communion, and to simply be together. We're glad you're here, and as you're getting settled we invite you to sit toward the aisle, allowing access for others along the edges. Thank you.

call to worship

from Psalm 27

The Lord is my light and my salvation
Whom shall I fear? Whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life
Of whom shall I be afraid?

One thing I ask, one thing I seek
To gaze upon the beauty of the Lord
Wait for the Lord, wait for the Lord
Oh, be strong and take heart

from Psalm 24:1-2, 4, 6

The word **epiphany** means to
show, reveal, or make known.

As a season, it is a time set
aside for seeking to see
Christ more clearly as he
moves from obscurity to
clarity, veiled to unveiled,
inaccessible to accessible,
and from the periphery of
people's interest and
attention to the center of their
lives. Epiphany's paradigm
for following Jesus is the
Magi, the "wise men" of
Matthew chapter 2.

The earth is the Lord's

**and the fullness thereof,
the world and those who dwell therein,
for he has founded it.**

Who shall stand in his holy place?

**He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
who does not lift up his soul to what is false.**

Such is the generation of those who seek him,
Who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

invocation

from Psalm 138:1, 3

*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.*

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart;
On the day I called, you answered me;
my strength of soul you increased.

words and music by
Sandra McCracken

hymns

Oh, my love, you have grown so cold
To the world outside, to the house next door
She who has been loved much
Have so much to give
Mercy is the fragrance of the broken

chorus:

Justice will roll down
Oh justice will roll down
From high upon those mountains
with a mighty river's sound
It will roll down, it will roll down

Justice Will Roll Down

O, my child, I will be your light
In your secret pain, in the dark of night
No enemy, no conqueror
will steal your life from me
I am your salvation
And your victory

chorus

Soon, Oh soon, when the trumpet sounds
Every knee shall bend, every heart will pound
I have made a new world
Where the servant is the king
Oppression will be over and the slave set free

chorus

The Lord is King

The Lord is King! Lift up your voice,
O earth and all ye heavens, rejoice!
From world to world the joy shall ring:
"The Lord omnipotent is King!"

chorus:

Sing his praise, sing his praise,
Lord of lords, Ancient of Days;
Sing his praise, sing his praise,
All your days, all your days.

The Lord is King! Who then shall dare
Resist his will, distrust his care,
Or murmur at his wise decrees,
Or doubt his royal promises?

chorus

The Lord is King! Bow down you must;
The Judge of all the earth is just;
Holy and true are all his ways;
Let every creature sing his praise.

chorus

words: Josiah Conder
music: Nathan Partain

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

27 “But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,
28 bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. 29 To one who strikes you
on the cheek, offer the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do not
withhold your tunic either. 30 Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who
takes away your goods do not demand them back. 31 And as you wish that others
would do to you, do so to them.

32 “If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners love
those who love them. 33 And if you do good to those who do good to you, what benefit
is that to you? For even sinners do the same. 34 And if you lend to those from whom
you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to get
back the same amount. 35 But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting
nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High,
for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil. 36 Be merciful, even as your Father is
merciful.

37 “Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be
condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; 38 give, and it will be given to you. Good
measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For
with the measure you use it will be measured back to you.”

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

prayer of confession

Loving God,
You give freely, abundantly, and open-handedly to us, your beloved children.
And, yet, we forget.

Forgive us for when we do not believe we are yours, living instead like orphans.

Forgive us when we cling to our possessions and reputations.

Forgive us when we oppress others to advance ourselves.

Heal our blindness.

Gracious Father, enlarge our hearts to become more like yours.

May we with joy share freely, abundantly, and open-handedly with others.

May we with joy be people who do justice and practice righteousness.

May we with joy be generous to others in our neighborhoods and in our city.

Remake us into your image, O Lord.

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

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

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

seated

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

words: early Eastern Christian
liturgy, arr. Wilson

music: EBENEZER, Thomas
John Williams (1890)

*"Kyrie eleison" is a
Greek phrase meaning
"Lord, have mercy."
It is one of the Church's
oldest prayers.*

hymn

Kyrie Eleison

Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy on me
(2X)

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison
Christ, have mercy on me

Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
Christ, have mercy on me

receiving of grace

John 3:16-17

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son,
that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

**For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world,
but in order that the world might be saved through him.**

May the peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you!**

poem

Abide by Callie Hagar

You call us to abide
Abide and be with you
To dwell in your love
To sit and breathe in deeply
Slowly
And as we do
You reveal little pieces of who You are
Of who we are
You begin to whisper in our hearts
Words almost inaudible at first
But if we remain quiet and abide with You
These words begin to catch their voice
They grow louder
They take on meaning
Meaning only we understand
It is what we have been longing for
Longing to hear
But we did not know it
Not till now
And it awakens something within
Something that has been lying dormant for far too
long
Something we were unaware existed
Love
Love unlike any other
Love like we have never seen
Love like we have never heard spoken

A love so overwhelming it brings us to
our knees and we begin to weep
We weep not because we have been
unaware of it
We weep because we are aware of it
We are aware of its depth
We are aware of its peace
We are aware of its grace
We are aware of its cost
We are aware of the unexplainable joy
it brings
And our weeping turns to laughter
And our laughter to praise
And as we sing this praise we realize
our voice is not our own
It is fuller
It is richer
It is new
It is filled with this same love
We cannot speak without it finding a
way out
And so we sing louder
Unashamedly
And the fire sparks
ABIDE

hymn

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
Come unto Me and rest;
Lay down, O weary one lay down,
Your head upon My breast.
I came to Jesus as I was,
So weary, worn and sad;
I found in Him my resting place,
And He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
Behold I freely give
The living water; thirsty one,
Stoop down and drink, and live.
I came to Jesus, and I drank
From that life-giving stream
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And now I live in Him.

community rhythms + practices

word

See text on back cover

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
I am this dark world's light;
Look unto Me, thy morn shall rise,
And all thy days be bright.
I looked to Jesus, and I found
In Him my star, my sun;
And in that light of life I'll walk
Til pilgrim days are done.

standing

words: Horatius Bonar, 1846

music: Nathan Ryan, 2015

Slave or Free | Genesis 16:1-13;
21:14-21

Rev. Andy Pelander

Scripture's description of worship is not contained to Sunday mornings, but flows into all of life where we enjoy God's blessing and extend His blessing. Learn more about opportunities to grow and to serve on pp. 8-11.

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

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.

Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise— the fruit of lips that confess his name. And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

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 gifts go toward ministry initiatives of All Souls and the relief of those in need.

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

table

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

EXTEND PEACE

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 by singing:

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord God of pow'r and might. Hea -
of your glo - ry. Ho - san-na in the high - est! Ble - s
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the hig

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.

standing

hymn

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

chorus:

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

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

chorus

benediction + sending

May the Lord give strength to his people.
May the Lord bless his people with peace! **Amen.**

Let us go forth and serve our world as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
Thanks be to God!

Redeemed

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

chorus

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

chorus

Psalm 29:11

** Ho-sa-nna is a word that means "save me!" but came to mean "salvation is here!"*

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 for Communion; non-alcoholic grape juice is in the smaller of the two goblets. For those with wheat allergies, a gluten-free cracker is available in place of the bread (ingredients: water, organic brown and white rice flour).

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 Session 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.

*words: Fanny Crosby, 1882
music: Nathan Ryan, 2015*

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

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

Please contact
info@allsoulsseattle.org for
details or directions to any of
these gatherings, or visit
allsoulsseattle.org/events.

Gathering

VISIT A HOME GROUP THIS MONTH

Beginning Jan 27, groups gather bi-weekly through May

Home groups provide safe places to know and be known as we grow in relationship with ourselves, God, and one another. Each group is unique and has its own 'personality,' while they share a focus on growing in relationship with Jesus and with each other. Groups meet throughout the week and neighborhood, and include space for relation building, study and reflection, service, and prayer.

In a world that pushes us toward isolation, where we need community, home groups can become family. Please see p.11 for group meeting time, location, and contact details.

SUMMER SERVICE TRIP + JOIN US!

Join a group from All Souls to serve among our Native American neighbors in Warm Springs, Oregon (June 29-July 6). Space is limited and the deadline to confirm **has been extended to March 1**. For details and information visit allsoulsseattle.org/summer2019 or contact suzanne@allsoulsseattle.org.

Growing

MORNING PRAYER

Join All Souls staff for prayer on Weds at 9a, at the All Souls Loft (4138 California Ave SW, 2nd fl).

SPIRITUAL FORMATION CLASS— STARTING SUN. MARCH 17

Join Luke Crook, Dan Reeve, and Ryan Anderson for 'A Walk Through the Psalms' on Sundays from 9-9:45a in the Madison Library. Details about childcare to follow. The class is six weeks long.

INTERESTED IN JOINING A GROWTH GROUP?

The new year is a great time to do so. While the strength of Home Groups (p.11) includes community building, safety to explore Christianity, whole-family participation (as applicable), and service among friends, **Growth Groups** are a more intentional and intimate place to go deeper spiritually, with a focus on life with God. Also, as those who've participated will attest, these groups foster a unique depth of relationship with the other women/men. There are groups that are ongoing and some that are still forming, with a variety of meeting times and locations. To learn more and connect, contact Becca Shirley (women) or Andy Pelander (men).

CARE + COUNSEL

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

Bulletin Board

BABYSITTING CO-OP

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

READING GROUP

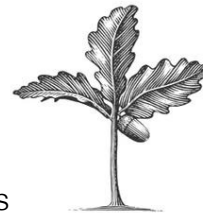
Every other Wednesday 7:30-9p / All Souls Loft
Enjoy reading and discussing books on spiritual and theological topics? Beginning Feb 20, we will discuss *Mind of the Maker*, a classic by Dorothy Sayers that explores how the nature of art and creativity helps us understand the Trinity. Contact [Adam Aljets](mailto:aljets@gmail.com) to learn more (aljets@gmail.com).

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

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

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

All Souls Kids + Youth



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

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

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

Because worship is a celebration of grace, not a theological lecture, children of all ages are encouraged to join us at any time during the service— we are used to having them around! We also offer a safe place for kids to be together during the service.

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

Middle and High School Students

We desire to be a community where each of us experiences significant, lasting relationships that would highlight the active presence of Jesus in the lives of His people, and where we would encounter Jesus in ways that will shape our understanding and experience of His grace for the rest of our lives. And this is true regardless of age.

- ▶ **Middle school students** are invited to participate in bi-monthly spiritual formation classes, in the library (2nd and 4th Sunday of each month), and to remain in worship or serve with All Souls Kids on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month.
- ▶ **High school students** are invited on Sundays to participate in worship and/or to serve with All Souls Kids. **High School Home Group** meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month, at the All Souls Loft 6:00-8:00pm. Dinner included. Contact Suzanne Case (suzanne@allsoulsseattle.org) for info.

Because we believe we grow best in the context of relationship, we are committed to walking alongside middle and high school students as they journey spiritually, including during **quarterly gatherings** designed to foster connection and growth through play, sharing, exploring, serving, and learning to pray together. If you are a parent or a student and would like to learn more and/or involved, please contact Suzanne Case (suzanne@allsoulsseattle.org).

Additionally, **Young Life** has many opportunities for youth to connect, and to explore the gospel. To learn more, contact Steffhan Gambill (steffhan@allsoulsseattle.org) or visit westseattle.younglife.org

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

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

SAFETY NOTE:

In the unlikely event of an emergency or evacuation, all children will be escorted immediately from their classrooms to the south entrance parking lot. Parents can exit onto the terrace through the doors on the right side of the stage and meet their kids in the parking lot.

Parents:

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

Please use this at your convenience.

*learn more:
allsoulsseattle.org/kids*

How can I serve?



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

We are called to serve, not to be served.

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

ALL SOULS COMMUNITY

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

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

current needs / opportunities to serve:

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

NEIGHBORHOOD + CITY

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

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

current opportunities:

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

All Souls is actively building a relationship with the Washington State Department of Children, Youth, and Families' Delridge office. Foster care is a pivotal place to intervene upstream of many other social concerns (homelessness, addictions, etc), and opportunities to support kids and families in the foster care system are varied (toy/clothing donations, DCYF staff appreciations, etc). Please opt-in via email to receive regular updates with needs as they arise (contact: nancyspiro@gmail.com).

- **Office Moms & Dads** is an on-call, daytime volunteer opportunity (customizable to your schedule!) to care for foster kids that have recently been removed from their home while a social worker works hard to find a foster care placement for them. Also the OMD is actively looking for a **Volunteer Coordinator**. This volunteer position is less than five hours per week, with the ability to work from wherever you are while answering texts from social workers and pushing requests out to volunteers. The impact of this position is monumental and necessary to continue the West Seattle OMD program! Contact: sarah@officemomsanddads.com

▶ **YoungLives**

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

Home Groups

In a world that pushes us toward isolation, we need community— a place where we're known and loved, and can grow.

We need local 'family'— siblings in Jesus we can lean on, learn with and from, care for, and celebrate growth alongside. Home Groups, designed to invite us into this relational space, are a vital part of our shared life and growth in Christ— places of care and community where we discover and live the Christian life together.

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

Home Groups meet at least twice a month, and vary slightly in structure from group to group, based on group dynamics/ composition. Generally, groups meet to discuss scripture, share stories, pray, plan service projects/relationships, and share meals. All are encouraged to prioritize Home Groups. They can be joined by anyone at anytime, and aim to accommodate a variety of schedules, including those of families and commuters.

Groups meet regularly through the academic year, shifting to a more informal, intermittent schedule during summer months. To learn more about a group and how to jump in year-round, please contact the leader(s) directly.

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

Neighborhood	Contact	Time	Notes
ADMIRAL	Graeme + Sarah Hanson s.wulf.hanson@gmail.com	Wed / 7 - 8:30p	Mixed group of adults
ALASKA	R.J. + Carolyn March rj@allsoulsseattle.org	Sun / 5 - 6:30p	Mixed group of adults; children welcome includes a meal and childcare
ARBOR HEIGHTS	Jeff + Suzanne Case suzannecase3@gmail.com	Tues / 6 - 7:30p	Mixed group of adults; children welcome includes a meal
	Matt + Nancy Spiro Nicholas + Alyssa Incorvaia nancyspiro@gmail.com	Tues / 6 - 7:30p	Mixed group of adults; children welcome includes a meal
FAIRMOUNT PARK	Jake + Emily Anderson jake.anderson486@gmail.com	Thurs / 6 - 8:30p	Mixed group of adults; includes a meal
GATEWOOD	Luke + Terri Crook terrilcrook@gmail.com	Sun / 6:30 - 8p	Mixed group of adults; occasional meals
GENESEE	Joseph + Sydney Buckley joseph@bkly.org	Sat / 10 - 11:30a	Mixed group of adults; children welcome Includes brunch
	Matt + Amy Huey amy_c_huey@yahoo.com	Mon / 6:30 - 8p	Mixed group of adults; children welcome

group information can also be found at allsoulsseattle.org/connect

Giving as part of worship

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's death on the cross represents the most generous gift ever given— when he gave up everything in order to reconcile us to God.

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

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

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

- Place cash or check in the offering on Sundays
- Mail a check, or set up automatic bill pay through your bank, payable to:
All Souls
PO Box 16613
Seattle, WA 98116
- Visit allsoulsseattle.org/give
- 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

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

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

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¹ Now Sarai, Abram's wife, had borne him no children. She had a female Egyptian servant whose name was Hagar. ² And Sarai said to Abram, "Behold now, the Lord has prevented me from bearing children. Go in to my servant; it may be that I shall obtain children by her." And Abram listened to the voice of Sarai. ³ So, after Abram had lived ten years in the land of Canaan, Sarai, Abram's wife, took Hagar the Egyptian, her servant, and gave her to Abram her husband as a wife. ⁴ And he went in to Hagar, and she conceived. And when she saw that she had conceived, she looked with contempt on her mistress. ⁵ And Sarai said to Abram, "May the wrong done to me be on you! I gave my servant to your embrace, and when she saw that she had conceived, she looked on me with contempt. May the Lord judge between you and me!" ⁶ But Abram said to Sarai, "Behold, your servant is in your power; do to her as you please." Then Sarai dealt harshly with her, and she fled from her.

⁷ The angel of the Lord found her by a spring of water in the wilderness, the spring on the way to Shur. ⁸ And he said, "Hagar, servant of Sarai, where have you come from and where are you going?" She said, "I am fleeing from my mistress Sarai." ⁹ The angel of the Lord said to her, "Return to your mistress and submit to her." ¹⁰ The angel of the Lord also said to her, "I will surely multiply your offspring so that they cannot be numbered for multitude." ¹¹ And the angel of the Lord said to her,

"Behold, you are pregnant
and shall bear a son.
You shall call his name Ishmael,
because the Lord has listened to your affliction.
¹² He shall be a wild donkey of a man,
his hand against everyone
and everyone's hand against him,
and he shall dwell over against all his kinsmen."

¹³ So she called the name of the Lord who spoke to her, "You are a God of seeing," for she said, "Truly here I have seen him who looks after me."

^{21:14} Abraham rose early in the morning and took bread and a skin of water and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed and wandered in the wilderness of Beersheba.

¹⁵ When the water in the skin was gone, she put the child under one of the bushes. ¹⁶ Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot, for she said, "Let me not look on the death of the child." And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. ¹⁷ And God heard the voice of the boy, and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven and said to her, "What troubles you, Hagar? Fear not, for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. ¹⁸ Up! Lift up the boy, and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make him into a great nation."
¹⁹ Then God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water. And she went and filled the skin with water and gave the boy a drink. ²⁰ And God was with the boy, and he grew up. He lived in the wilderness and became an expert with the bow. ²¹ He lived in the wilderness of Paran, and his mother took a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

Genesis 16:1-13; 21:14-21