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# 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.*



*All Souls*

# Exploring?

Do you have questions about the Christian faith?

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

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

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

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

So, be curious. Doubt. Ask. Explore.

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*cover illustration by Lori Bailey*

Loving somebody right where they are is no small thing. It's the whole thing.

Sara Groves

# Order of Worship

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT + 1 MARCH 2020



*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

*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.*

*Lent is a 40 day season  
preparing us for Easter, when  
we celebrate God's victory  
over death and the promise  
of new life in Jesus.  
The journey begins by facing  
our brokenness and deep  
need for God's healing.*

*Lent is about more than  
giving things up for the  
sake of giving things up.  
It's about taking a close look  
at the unmatched beauty  
of— and our overwhelming  
need for— our Savior.*

*During Lent, we take  
inventory of the heart, and  
fall headlong into grace.*

## 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 24*

The earth is the Lord's and everything in it  
The earth and all who live in it

Come now and receive blessing from the Lord  
And vindication from our God

Lift up your heads, you mighty gates  
Be lifted up, you ancient doors  
that the King of Glory may come in

Psalm 91:1-2, 11

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High  
will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

**I will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress,  
my God, in whom I trust."**

For he will command his angels concerning you  
to guard you in all your ways.

## invocation

*from Near the Cross*

*by Fanny Crosby*

In the cross, in the cross,  
be my glory ever

words: William Kethe, 1561

music: Louis Bourgeois, 1551  
Bruce Benedict, 2006

## hymns

All people that on earth do dwell,  
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.  
Serve Him with joy, His praises tell.  
Come now before Him and rejoice.

Know that the Lord, is God indeed—  
He formed us all without our aid.  
We are the flock He surely feeds,  
the sheep who by His hand were made.

## All People That on Earth Do Dwell

O enter then His gates with joy,  
within his courts his praise proclaim!  
Let thankful songs your tongues employ,  
O bless and magnify His name!

Because the Lord our God is good,  
His mercy is forever sure.  
His faithfulness at all times stood  
and shall from age to age endure!

## Justice Will Roll Down

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

*chorus:*

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

words and music by  
Sandra McCracken

*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.*

## reading + interlude

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

<sup>15</sup> The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. <sup>16</sup> And the Lord God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; <sup>17</sup> but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die."

<sup>1</sup> Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?"

<sup>2</sup> The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, <sup>3</sup> but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.'"

<sup>4</sup> "You will not certainly die," the serpent said to the woman. <sup>5</sup> "For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

<sup>6</sup> When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. <sup>7</sup> Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## call to confession

Psalms 32:1-7

Blessed is the one  
whose transgressions are forgiven,  
whose sins are covered.

Blessed is the one  
whose sin the Lord  
does not count against them  
and in whose spirit is no deceit.

When I kept silent,  
my bones wasted away  
through my groaning all day long.

For day and night  
your hand was heavy on me;  
my strength was sapped  
as in the heat of summer.

Then I acknowledged my sin to you  
and did not cover up my iniquity.

I said, "I will confess  
my transgressions to the Lord."  
And you forgave  
the guilt of my sin.

Therefore let all the faithful pray to you  
while you may be found;  
surely the rising of the mighty waters  
will not reach them.

You are my hiding place;  
you will protect me from trouble  
and surround me  
with songs of deliverance.

## prayer of confession

*Let's take a few moments to reflect silently on these words and to be directed into prayer, offering confession 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.*

## 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.*

*Sin is a word that basically means to insert oneself into space only God should occupy. Martin Luther described sin as a "curving in on oneself," which causes a relational breach not only with the people we harm, but also with God by not giving him the place he deserves in our lives, as our loving Creator and Savior.*

words: Henry Lyte,  
Justin Smith

music: Justin Smith

## hymn

Abide with Me

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

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

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

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

## receiving of grace

Romans 10:9-11

If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame."

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

## responding to grace

*from the General Thanksgiving*

Let us pray in response to what God has done for us.

Lord, **we thank you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.**

**Give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts, we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving ourselves to your service,  
and by walking before you in your ways, all our days. Amen.**

## lenten prayer

## “I Cannot Do This Alone”

by Dietrich Bonhoeffer

O God, early in the morning I cry to you.  
Help me to pray  
And to concentrate my thoughts on you:  
I cannot do this alone.  
In me there is darkness,  
But with you there is light;  
I am lonely, but you do not leave me;  
I am feeble in heart, but with you there is help;  
I am restless, but with you there is peace.  
In me there is bitterness, but with you there is patience;  
I do not understand your ways,  
But you know the way for me...  
Restore me to liberty,  
And enable me to live now  
That I may answer before you and before me.  
Lord, whatever this day may bring,  
Your name be praised. **Amen.**

## Gloria Patri

Glory be (*glory be*)  
Unto God (*unto God*)  
Father, Son (*Father, Son*)  
And Spirit (*and Spirit*)

As it was (*glory be*)  
Before time (*unto God*)  
Is now and (*Father, Son*)  
Ever shall be (*and Spirit*)

World (*glory be*)  
Without end (*unto God*)  
Amen (*Father, Son*)  
And Amen (*and Spirit*)

Glory in the highest (*glory in the highest*)  
Glory in the highest (*glory in the highest*)

## standing

*The Gloria Patri, meaning “Glory be to the Father,” has been an expression of worship in the Christian tradition for well over a thousand years. It speaks of the mysterious, three-in-one nature of God and of a trust in God’s present and coming kingdom.*

*words: c. 7th century,  
adapted by Evan Wilson*

*music: Matt Maher*

## community rhythms + practices

*If you, or someone with you this morning, 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.*



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!"

word

'do you come to me?' | Matthew 3:13-4:6

Rev. Andy Pelander

grateful giving

Matthew 10:8

Freely you have received; freely give.

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 emailing pastor@allsoulsseattle.org. 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. As we celebrate together, prayer stations are set up on the window-side of the room, where community leaders are available to pray with or for you.

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:

P. Scholtes

Musical score for Hosanna in excelsis Deo. It consists of three staves of music in G major and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: 1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and might. Heav'n and earth are filled with your glory. Ho - san - na, Ho in the high - est. 2. Blessed is he who comes in the name, in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, in the high - est!

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

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost, but now am found  
Was blind, but now I see.

And when this flesh and heart shall fail,  
And mortal life shall cease;  
I shall possess within the veil,  
A life of joy and peace.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,  
I have already come;  
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,  
And grace will lead me home.

When we've been there  
ten thousand years  
Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise,  
Than when we've first begun.

benediction + sending

1 Thessalonians 5:23

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. **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 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: John Newton*

*music: NEW BRITAIN, arr. Sandra McCracken*

*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).*

### **Connect with us via email!**

The primary channel for church-wide communication at All Souls is email— periodic notes (2-4 monthly) with event and opportunity reminders and important updates, plus letters from our staff and leadership.

Send an email (right now!) to [info@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:info@allsoulsseattle.org) to be added, or to update your address on file, thank you.

Also, to see the full community calendar, visit [allsoulsseattle.org/events](http://allsoulsseattle.org/events).

## Gathering

### **BOOK DISCUSSION: THE COLOR OF COMPROMISE - TONIGHT!**

All Souls Loft 5-7p / childcare available

Join us for an evening of song, discussion, and prayer based on Jemar Tisby's book *The Color of Compromise: The Truth about the American Church's Complicity in Racism*. For more information or to RSVP contact Sonya Luchauer ([sonya.luchauer@gmail.com](mailto:sonya.luchauer@gmail.com)).

### **EVENING OF PRAYER FOR MEN - THIS WEEK**

Friday, March 6, 7:45-10p / Pelander home (RSVP for address)

Join us this Friday for new connections, prayer, and merriment. We will plan to pray through a lenten Compline, including Taizé (sung prayer; you can do it!), followed by some hang time. RSVP to [info@](mailto:info@)

### **YOUTH GROUP**

Sundays 5-7p

Gathers weekly to share a meal, play, and enjoy group discussion on spiritually formative topics. Hosted by Suzanne and Jeff Case in Arbor Heights; contact [suzanne@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:suzanne@allsoulsseattle.org) for directions. Students are also invited to gather on Sunday mornings to connect and meet leaders before worship. *Upcoming*: Glow Night, March 8, 5p at the All Souls Loft

### **WOMEN'S SCRIPTURAL STORYTELLING**

Wednesdays: March 11 and May 6, 7:30-9p

Come explore stories of women in the Bible through guided oral storytelling. After hearing the story, we will look beneath the surface and discuss what we can learn about these women and how God speaks to our hearts through their story. RSVP to Mardee ([mardeemc@gmail.com](mailto:mardeemc@gmail.com)) for directions.

### **SPRING WOMEN'S WEEKEND**

Save the date: Fri-Sun, April 24-26 / Monroe, WA / Registration opens March 15

Mark your calendar and join us for a weekend together at Blueberry Ridge Farm. Details to come!

## Growing

### **MARRIAGE CLASS**

Sundays, March 1 - April 5, 9-9:45a / Madison Library / childcare available

Whether you are a married couple or currently unmarried, please join us on Sunday mornings throughout the season of Lent as we learn more about how to both receive and extend the forgiveness and reconciliation made available to us in Jesus Christ. Please feel free to submit anonymous, written questions in the box on the book table. Childcare sign-ups: [suzanne@](mailto:suzanne@)

### **LEARN + SERVE**

One of the marks of Christian maturity and growth is moving from being self-centered to others-centered. More curious about someone else's questions, experiences, hopes. Toward that end, we are trying something new as a community— this year, All Souls staff will curate events and experiences that help us to learn from and serve among our **Native American** and **First Nations neighbors**. How might we, together, discover who God is in fresh ways this year as we engage with the Native American experience in our city? Visit [allsoulsseattle.org/native](http://allsoulsseattle.org/native) for details.

## 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. Contact: Kat Libolt ([katilbolt@gmail.com](mailto:katilbolt@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.*

# 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 (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!
- **All Souls Kids** - Modeling and sharing the gospel to/with children is one of the more impactful ways one can serve. There are consistent needs in classrooms serving ages 2 through 5th grade, and your help is needed! The commitment is only one Sunday a month, and training and materials are provided— no experience necessary! Contact: Suzanne Case (suzanne@).

## 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 + Partner with Foster Care**

All Souls seeks to come alongside, serve, and support families, organizations, and agencies helping children in foster care in the West Seattle area. We heed the call from James 1:27 to "look after orphans and widows in their distress."

Upcoming: BRAVE is a catalytic one day event for girls ages 12-18 who are in vulnerable situations like foster care, homelessness, and youth probation. Hosted by The Salvation Army in White Center on Sat, April 4, the event seeks to remind these girls they are valuable and worth celebrating. We are currently helping by gathering volunteers and financial support. Please email Nancy Spiro (nancy.spiro@gmail.com) for the donation link, to sign-up to volunteer at the event, to donate gift cards, or to help with decor for the event.

### ▸ **YoungLives**

YoungLives, the ministry of Young Life to teenage moms, invests in life-on-life mentoring with teen moms through entering into their lives, building relationships with them and their little ones, modeling the unconditional love of Christ, and encouraging them to become the women and mothers God created them to be. There are a variety of ways to serve and many levels of commitment are welcome! To learn more, contact Alyssa Reeve (alyssa@allsoulsseattle.org).

- Cook a meal for the YL Monday night gatherings for moms, little ones, and mentors (HG or GG service opportunity!)
- Donations baby supplies: NEW convertible carseats, Ikea stackable high chairs, diapers (sizes 4-6), and wipes

# Smaller Groups in Community

## GROWTH GROUPS

To grow spiritually, each of us needs consistent time praying and listening with God and others. Growth Groups gather weekly for gender-specific deeper spiritual exploration and prayer, and are a more intentional and intimate place to focus on life with God. Also, as those who've participated will attest, these groups foster a unique depth of relationship with others. 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 Shannon Smith ([shannon@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:shannon@allsoulsseattle.org)).

## HOME GROUPS

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

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.

Generally, groups meet to discuss scripture, share stories, pray, plan service projects/relationships, and share meals.

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 R.J. March, or a group host(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
ADMIRAL	Andy Lewis + Ruth Rogers Lewis <a href="mailto:ruthrogerslewis@comcast.net">ruthrogerslewis@comcast.net</a>	Wed / 7 - 8:30p
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FAIRMOUNT	Rian + Michele Johnson <a href="mailto:mmk234@gmail.com">mmk234@gmail.com</a>	Mon / 6:30 - 8p <i>includes a meal</i>
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HIGHLAND PARK	Nate + Lori Bailey <a href="mailto:hi.loribailey@gmail.com">hi.loribailey@gmail.com</a>	Thurs / 6:30 - 8p <i>includes a meal</i>
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# Notes + Doodles

*Feel free to use this space to respond to what you're hearing this morning— be that through chicken scratch, pencil sketches, or a crayon masterpiece. If it's helpful, you may use these questions as thought starters:*



What is something I want to remember from worship this morning?

What is something I want to do (or do differently) because of worship this morning?

*Art pouches are located on the book table and are available for all ages.*

# 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](http://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](mailto:bookkeeper@allsoulsseattle.org)

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

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

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13 Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John. 14 But John tried to deter him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?”

15 Jesus replied, “Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness.” Then John consented.

16 As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. 17 And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.”

1 Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. 2 After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. 3 The tempter came to him and said, “If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread.”

4 Jesus answered, “It is written: ‘Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”

5 Then the devil took him to the holy city and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. 6 “If you are the Son of God,” he said, “throw yourself down. For it is written:

“He will command his angels concerning you,  
and they will lift you up in their hands,  
so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.”

Matthew 3:13-4:6