

LENT MAR 10

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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The liturgical traditions of the Church, all its cycles and services, exist, first of all, in order to help us recover the vision and the taste of that new life which we so easily lose and betray, so that we may repent and return to it...

It is through her liturgical life that the Church reveals to us something of that which "the ear has not heard, the eye has not seen, and what has not yet entered the heart of man, but which God has prepared for those who love Him."

Alexander Schmemmann

Order of Worship

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT + 10 MARCH 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

*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

based on Psalm 27

The Lord is my light and my salvation—
Whom shall I fear? (2x)

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 (2x)
Oh, be strong and take heart

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: Robert Robinson
music: Ashael Nettleton

hymns

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 unchanging love

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

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

O to grace how great a debtor,
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let that grace now 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, O take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above

We Abide, We Abide in You

We are the vineyard You have planted
Tend our leaves and wild branches:
We abide, we abide in You. (2x)

chorus:

Where can my soul find living water?
Apart from You we bear no fruit!
O plant my feet down by the river:
We abide, we abide in You.

Fruit growing from our strength and labor,
rain on us with grace and favor:
We abide, we abide in You. (2x)

chorus

words and music by
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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.

reading + interlude

Luke 4:1-13

1 And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness 2 for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry. 3 The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." 4 And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone.'" 5 And the devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, 6 and said to him, "To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. 7 If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." 8 And Jesus answered him, "It is written,

"You shall worship the Lord your God,
and him only shall you serve."

9 And he took him to Jerusalem and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, 10 for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you,
to guard you,'

11 and

"On their hands they will bear you up,
lest you strike your foot against a stone."

12 And Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" 13 And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

prayer of confession

Almighty and merciful God,
We have sinned and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.
We have followed the desires of our own hearts, independent of your leading.
We have ignored your commands.
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done;
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.

Have mercy on us, Lord.

We ask you to heal, forgive, and restore us as we embrace your promises in Jesus.

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. Evan 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

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.**

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.**

hymn

Be Thou My Vision

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

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

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

High King of heaven, my victory won
 May I reach heaven's joys,
 O bright heaven's sun
 Heart of my own heart whatever befall
 Still be my vision, O Ruler of all

standing

*Ancient Irish poem,
 trans. by Mary Byrne
 Versified by Eleanor Hull
 Traditional Irish melody*

community rhythms + practices

word

Here I am | Genesis 22:1-14

Rev. Andy Pelander

¹ After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am."
² He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you."
³ So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him.
⁴ On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar.
⁵ Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you."
⁶ And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together.
⁷ And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?"
⁸ Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

⁹ When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood.
¹⁰ Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son.
¹¹ But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am."
¹² He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me."
¹³ And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son.
¹⁴ So Abraham called the name of that place, "The Lord will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided."

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.

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

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 dependance 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. 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:

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

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
That in thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain,
That morn shall tearless be.

O Light that follow'st all my way,
I yield my flick'ring torch to thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.

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: George Matheson
music: Christopher Miner

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

JOIN A HOME GROUP

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. Please see p.11 for group meeting time, location, and contact details.

EVENING OF PRAYER FOR MEN

Friday, March 15, 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@

save the date(s)

JOIN US FOR EASTER

Sunday, Apr 21, 9 + 11:15a

Soon we celebrate Easter, which marks the beginning of gospel renewal in our lives. **All Souls will host two worship services**— the first will include standard kids' classes (nursery-upper elem.), and the second will include childcare for nursery, toddler and 3's classes only, open the entire service (we will provide a kids' activity sheet for those who remain in worship).

As always, worship will be designed start-to-finish for those at every point on the spiritual spectrum. **Because every Sunday is a good Sunday to visit All Souls for the first time, ask friends, neighbors, and colleagues to join you on Easter... many of whom are simply waiting to be invited!**

WOMEN'S WEEKEND

Fri-Sun, May 17-19 / Monroe, WA

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

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 PRACTICES CLASS

Sundays, Mar 17 - Apr 28, 9a (except Easter, Apr 21) / Madison Library

For thousands of years, God's people have used the same book as a guide for all that can be brought to the Lord in prayer— our great joys and our greatest laments, and everything between. Join us for a six-week 'walk' through this book, called *Psalms*. Childcare provided for ages 8 and younger; RSVP to Suzanne Case (suzanne@allsoulsseattle.org), as space is limited.

INTERESTED IN JOINING A GROWTH GROUP?

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 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 Becca Shirley (women) or Andy Pelander (men).

CARE + COUNSEL

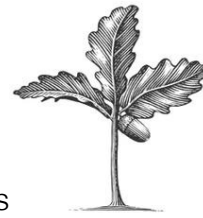
The Bible teaches that God has given us powerful tools to navigate difficulty and grapple with hard questions: the Holy Spirit, the gospel, and community. At All Souls we lean heavily on these for encouragement, direction, and life-change. So whatever it is, you should know it's okay to talk about it (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

*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 Student 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.

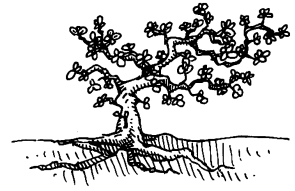
Parents:

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 to find them a foster care placement. 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 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**

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 with 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! If you have questions about this ministry, or are interested in hearing more about partnering with YoungLives, contact Rachel Pelander (rachelpelander@gmail.com).

- Help with providing dinners on April 15 and May 29 for the YL Monday night gatherings for moms, little ones, and mentors
- Financial partnership to support this new and growing ministry in our neighborhood
- Donations needed: toddler safety equipment (baby gates, outlet plugs, cabinet locks) and diapers

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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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