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Welcome.

All Souls is a church in and for the city, and 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.*

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All Souls

O Lord my God, tell me what you are to me. Say to my soul, 'I am your salvation.'
Say it so that I can hear it.

Augustine of Hippo
Confessions

Order of Worship

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT | 18 MARCH 2018



*Please silence all devices for
the duration of worship*

*Text in **bold** is read aloud
by the entire congregation.
Plain text is read by the
worship leader only.*

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

call to worship

We will wait on the Lord (x2)
Heavenly Father
The King His Son
The Holy Spirit, three in one

based on Isaiah 43:19-21

Let us worship God, who has done great things.

We rejoice in the Lord, who made a way through the desert of this world.

Let us worship God, who has caused streams of mercy to flow in the wasteland.

**We are the people God has formed through Christ;
we worship Him, and we rejoice!**

Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

We praise Him for the grace that has saved us. Alleluia! We rejoice!

invocation

Father in heaven,
most kind,
most gracious,
Give us hearts that seek you,
and eyes to see you in all of your majesty,
Our Maker and Redeemer. **Amen.**

hymns

Great is Thy Faithfulness

words: Thomas O. Crisholm

music: William M. Runyan

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not,
Thy compassions they fail not,
As Thou has been, Thou forever wilt be.

chorus:

Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning, new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided.
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

Summer and winter,
and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars
in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

chorus

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thy own dear presence
to cheer and to guide.
Strength for today and
bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine,
with ten thousand beside.

chorus

words: Silesian folk song,
Leipzig 1842

music: E Wilson

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,
O Thou of God and man the Son,
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor,
Thou, my soul's glory, joy and crown.

Fair are the meadows,
fairer still the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring;
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fairest Lord Jesus

Fair is the sunshine,
Fairer still the moonlight,
And all the twinkling starry host;
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels heaven can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations!
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,
Now and forever more be Thine.

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.

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

words: Samuel T. Francis
music: trad. Welsh melody

O the deep, deep love of Jesus
Vast, unmeasured, boundless free
Rolling as a mighty ocean,
In its fullness over me

Underneath me, all around me,
Is the current of thy love
Leading onward, leading homeward,
To thy glorious rest above

O the deep, deep love of Jesus
Spread his praise from shore to shore
How he loveth, ever loveth,
Changeth never, never more

How he watches o'er his loved ones,
Died to call them all his own
How for them he intercedeth,
Watcheth o'er them from the throne

O the deep, deep love of Jesus
Love of every love the best
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing,
'Tis a haven sweet of rest

O the deep, deep love of Jesus
'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me
And it lifts me up to glory
For it lifts me up to thee

scripture reading + interlude

Isaiah 46:3-9

3 "Listen to me, you descendants of Jacob,
all the remnant of the people of Israel,
you whom I have upheld since your birth,
and have carried since you were born.

4 Even to your old age and gray hairs
I am he, I am he who will sustain you.
I have made you and I will carry you;
I will sustain you and I will rescue you.

5 "With whom will you compare me
or count me equal? To whom will you
liken me that we may be compared?

6 Some pour out gold from their bags
and weigh out silver on the scales;
they hire a goldsmith to make it into a god,
and they bow down and worship it.

7 They lift it to their shoulders and carry it;
they set it up in its place,
and there it stands.

From that spot it cannot move.
Even though someone cries out to it,
it cannot answer;
it cannot save them from their troubles.

8 "Remember this, keep it in mind,
take it to heart, you rebels.

9 Remember the former things,
those of long ago;
I am God, and there is no other;
I am God, and there is none like me.

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.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

seated

Prayers of lament, with their roots in the psalms, give expression to the Christian's authentic engagement in a world desperate for healing and renewal, and also that we have a God who invites the full spectrum of prayer.

prayer of lament

Psalm 13:1-2

Looking out at the broader world, seeing the suffering of God's people, with a heavy heart the psalmist cried out these words:

How long, O Lord? Will you forget me forever?
How long will you hide your face from me?
How long must I have sorrow in my heart?

Being a Christian doesn't mean all of your problems are solved, or that we have to pretend we have it all together anyway. Here's what it means: we know a God who hears our prayers, delights in them, and invites us to cry out to him in the midst of whatever circumstances we face. So we pray together:

God of all comfort, the world can be a heart-breaking place. Peace, safety, justice, and unity are scarce. We pray now for all who suffer, and bear the great burdens:

**For nations at war; refugees on the run
For lands suffering drought and famine,
For those facing poverty and hunger,
For those facing persecution and captivity,
For those facing sickness of body or mind,
For those whose families suffer loss and division,
For those who long for children, or have lost children,
We ask, 'How long, O Lord?'**

It's tempting to think that our help is in politicians, or technology, or in our own ingenuity. But with your church throughout the ages, we echo this hope:

Our help is in the name of the Lord, almighty creator of Heaven and Earth.

Lord, it is sometimes so hard to believe this. We want to believe! **Lord, help our unbelief!**

We are eager for the day when you return, restoring justice, beauty, and harmony to your creation— we ache for a world unbroken. Until then, may we continue to praise you, and look forward with a peace and a joy that can only come from you.

Come quickly, Lord Jesus! Amen.

hymn

How Long?

How long? Will you turn your face away?
How long? Do you hear us when we pray?
On and on, still we walk this pilgrim way
How long?

How long 'til your children find their rest?
How long 'til you draw them to your breast?
We go on holding to your promises
How long?

chorus:

'Til you wipe away the tears from ev'ry eye
'Til we see our home
 descending from the sky
Do we wait in vain?
Jesus, give us hope again!

How long 'til your word will still the storm?
How long 'til you bare your mighty arm?
How we groan
 'til you snatch us from the thorns
How long?
How long?
Sweet the dawn that ends the race.
How long?
Weak our hearts but strong our legs.
Looking on, great that cloud of witnesses!
How long?

words and music:
Isaac Wardell

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Isaiah 40:1-2, 28-31

1 Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.
 2 Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended,
 that her iniquity is pardoned.

28 Have you not known? Have you not heard?
 The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.
 He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.

29 He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength.

30 Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted;
 31 but they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength;
 they shall mount up with wings like eagles;
 they shall run and not be weary;
 they shall walk and not faint.

New Consistory members

Charlotte Aljets	Rachel Faunce
Joe Berg	Graeme Hanson
Suzanne Case	Nancy Spiro

Within the All Souls community, our newly formed the Consistory is a leadership team consisting of men and women nominated by the congregation and appointed by elders, with diverse interests and perspectives. These ministry leaders will work with staff and leadership to serve and cultivate the work of the church. When our elder candidates are elected in May, they, with our pastors, will serve as part of the Consistory also.

'Consistory' is a term that been used widely by the church across the ages by various traditions. In effect, this advisory team will seek to establish a sustainable leadership structure for care and formation of our community, and also place additional voices 'around the table,' fostering a wider perspective for decision making.

hymn

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

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

Be Thou My Vision

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

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*

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.

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

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but 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 sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord Jesus, your perfect life, your death, and your resurrection are the source of all blessing in this life and the life to come. As I eat this bread and drink this cup, renew me in the joy and glory of knowing and serving you. I come to this table on the basis of your merit only and not my own. As you have completely and fully offered yourself for me, I now completely and fully offer myself to you as a living sacrifice. Amen.

Allergen-free communion elements (wafer ingredients: organic brown and white rice flour) are available at the center of the communion table. To partake, please dip in either the wine (larger cup) or grape juice and proceed through the line.

gospel lesson

the Story Worship Tells | Acts 19:23-41

Rev. Andy Pelander

²³ About that time there arose no little disturbance concerning the Way. ²⁴ For a man named Demetrius, a silversmith, who made silver shrines of Artemis, brought no little business to the craftsmen. ²⁵ These he gathered together, with the workmen in similar trades, and said, "Men, you know that from this business we have our wealth. ²⁶ And you see and hear that not only in Ephesus but in almost all of Asia this Paul has persuaded and turned away a great many people, saying that gods made with hands are not gods. ²⁷ And there is danger not only that this trade of ours may come into disrepute but also that the temple of the great goddess Artemis may be counted as nothing, and that she may even be deposed from her magnificence, she whom all Asia and the world worship."

²⁸ When they heard this they were enraged and were crying out, "Great is Artemis of the Ephesians!" ²⁹ So the city was filled with the confusion, and they rushed together into the theater, dragging with them Gaius and Aristarchus, Macedonians who were Paul's companions in travel. ³⁰ But when Paul wished to go in among the crowd, the disciples would not let him. ³¹ And even some of the Asiarchs, who were friends of his, sent to him and were urging him not to venture into the theater. ³² Now some cried out one thing, some another, for the assembly was in confusion, and most of them did not know why they had come together. ³³ Some of the crowd prompted Alexander, whom the Jews had put forward. And Alexander, motioning with his hand, wanted to make a defense to the crowd. ³⁴ But when they recognized that he was a Jew, for about two hours they all cried out with one voice, "Great is Artemis of the Ephesians!"

³⁵ And when the town clerk had quieted the crowd, he said, "Men of Ephesus, who is there who does not know that the city of the Ephesians is temple keeper of the great Artemis, and of the sacred stone that fell from the sky? ³⁶ Seeing then that these things cannot be denied, you ought to be quiet and do nothing rash. ³⁷ For you have brought these men here who are neither sacrilegious nor blasphemers of our goddess. ³⁸ If therefore Demetrius and the craftsmen with him have a complaint against anyone, the courts are open, and there are proconsuls. Let them bring charges against one another. ³⁹ But if you seek anything further, it shall be settled in the regular assembly. ⁴⁰ For we really are in danger of being charged with rioting today, since there is no cause that we can give to justify this commotion." ⁴¹ And when he had said these things, he dismissed the assembly.

offering

1 Corinthians 4:7

What do you have that you did not receive?

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 of the gifts that God has given to us, 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 the poor.

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

the Lord's table

The Lord's Supper, also called Communion or the Eucharist, is the family meal of Christians. We invite all baptized followers of Jesus Christ who acknowledge their sin against God and their neighbors and confess their need for the grace of Christ to partake of this meal. We take it as a sign of health to have regular attenders who love our community but don't profess faith in Christ, and so remain seated during this time. If you are a Christian and haven't been baptized, please talk with our pastor. We would be honored to baptize you.

hymn

Come to the Water

O let all who thirst,
let them come to the water
And let all who have nothing,
let them come to the Lord
Without money, without price
Why should you pay the price,
except for the Lord?

And let all who seek,
let them come to the water
And let all who have nothing,
let them come to the Lord
Without money, without strife
Why should you spend your life,
except for the Lord?

And let all who toil,
let them come to the water
And let all who are weary,
let them come to the Lord
All who labor, without rest
How can you soul find rest,
except for the Lord?

And let all the poor,
let them come to the water
Bring the ones who are laden,
bring them all to the Lord
Bring the children, without might
Easy the load and light
Come to the Lord

I will run to You, I will run to You,
I will run to You, my Lord

doxology

Thomas Ken 1674, Louis Bourgeois 1551

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

benediction + sending

As those God has gathered, go in renewed faith and assurance of hope.
Peace be with you. **Amen.**

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

Thanks be to God!

words and music:

John Foley and Matt Maher

dox-ol-o-gy
(from *doxa*, meaning glory):

An expression of praise to God emphasizing his Triune nature (Father, Son, Holy Spirit).

standing

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/calendar.

Gathering

GOOD FRIDAY: INTERACTIVE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday, March 30, 3:30-6p, Dakota Place (Calif./Dakota)

Join us on Good Friday as we remember Jesus' journey to the Cross. Beginning with the Lord's Supper and ending with Jesus' burial, eight interactive stations will help us contemplate the love that led Jesus to die for us to take away our sin, and make all things new. This is designed for the entire All Souls family to experience together, engaging all ages. To help manage flow through the stations, a link will be sent to sign up for a 20 minute slot.

Interested in helping out? Contact Kara Barrett (kara@allsoulsseattle.org).

JOIN US FOR EASTER - APRIL 1

In a few weeks, we celebrate Easter, which marks the beginning of gospel renewal in our lives.

All Souls will host two worship services, at 9 and 11:15. The first will include kids' classes through elementary, 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 co-workers to join you on Easter... many of whom are simply waiting to be invited!

Growing

WEEKLY PRAYER

Fridays, 11:45-12:30p

We gather to pray for our community and the world on Fridays at the All Souls Loft.

Bring your lunch and join us (4138 California Ave SW, 2nd fl.; prayer@allsoulsseattle.org).

GROWTH GROUPS

Ready to learn and apply the Bible more broadly, press the gospel of Jesus further into your heart and life, dig into deeper, bigger questions, and share with greater transparency in a smaller (6-8 ppl max), gender-specific group? Growth Groups are a unique and more intimate place to grow spiritually, with a committed focus on discipleship. Details and sign up / groups@allsoulsseattle.org

JOIN A HOME GROUP

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

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.

Bulletin Board

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

All Souls is in need of volunteers who will serve with our ministry to children. A range of opportunities exist and we work with you to find a role with the best fit, and is most life-giving to you. As a church, we believe it is an invaluable opportunity to support our families through investment in the growth and thriving of our (read: other people's) kids in our community. Learn more: kids@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.*

*To meet with a pastor or other
leader confidentially, or for a
counseling referral:
pastor@allsoulsseattle.org*

All Souls Kids + Nursery



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 and high schoolers are invited to stay in worship to explore, question, and reflect alongside adults.

Because we believe we grow best in the context of relationship, we are committed to coming alongside middle and high school students through monthly, age-specific Growth Groups on Sunday evenings, geared towards laughing, playing, sharing, exploring, serving, studying, praying and growing together. If you have a middle or high school student, or would like to get involved, please contact us.

Additionally, **Young Life** has many opportunities for youth to connect, and to explore the gospel. To learn more, contact Area Director Alison Bray (alisonb.yl@gmail.com).

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.

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*

*See below:
All Souls Kids classroom map (downstairs) on p. 12*

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: Charlotte Aljets (charlotte@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:

▶ **West Seattle Young Life**

Young Life leaders go to where students are to develop relationships and to share the story and reality of God's love for them in Jesus Christ. Below are current ways to partner and support this ministry, its staff, and volunteers (for details and sign up contact mercy@allsoulsseattle.org).

- Provide dinner for Young Life Club (large group gatherings)
- Become a 'leader host' who cares and prays for a volunteer leader, even inviting them into your home/family life

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

All Souls is actively building a relationship with the WA State Department of Social and Health Services' 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, DSHS staff appreciations, etc). Please opt-in via email to receive regular updates with needs as they arise (mercy@allsoulsseattle.org).

- 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.
Contact Janine Krebs (westseattleomd@gmail.com) to learn more and to sign up for the next volunteer training.

▶ **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 at 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. Home groups are a vital part of 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.

All are encouraged to prioritize Home Groups, most of which meet every other week, Sept - June. They can be joined by *anyone at anytime*, and aim to accommodate a variety of schedules, including those of families and commuters.

Groups meet every other week beginning January 7. To join or learn more about a group please contact the leader(s) directly.

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

Neighborhood	Contact	Time	Notes
ADMIRAL	Graeme + Sarah Hanson s.wulf.hanson@gmail.com	Wed / 7 - 8:30p	Mixed group of adults
	Martin + Sarah Dillard sarahjdillard@gmail.com	Wed / 6:30 - 8p	Mixed group of adults; childcare provided
ALASKA	R.J. + Carolyn March rj@allsoulsseattle.org	Sun / 5 - 6:30p	Mixed group of adults; children welcome
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
DELRIDGE	Jonathan + Rachel Faunce rachelfaunce@gmail.com	Sun / 4:30 - 6p	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
MIDDLE SCHOOL HOME GROUP	Stefphan Gambill stefphan@allsoulsseattle.org	Sun / 4:30 - 6p	All middle schoolers welcome (invite a friend!); meets at the All Souls Loft

Group schedules can also be found here: allsoulsseattle.org/events

Giving as part of worship

We recognize 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 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 Church
PO Box 16613
Seattle, WA 98116
- 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