



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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.*



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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My lies are always wishes.

Jeff Tweedy, Wilco
"Ashes of American Flags"

Order of Worship

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*Please silence all devices for
the duration of worship*

welcome

standing

call to worship

from Psalm 95

Come, let us sing for joy unto the Lord
Let us shout to the rock of our salvation
O, let us sing to him with thankful hearts
Shout for joy with music and song

For the Lord is a great God (2x)
In his hands are the earth, the seas (2x)

For the Lord is the great king (2x)
The seas are his, he has made them (2x)

Psalm 130:5-8

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;
my soul waits for the Lord
more than watchmen for the morning,
more than watchmen for the morning.

O people of God, hope in the Lord!
**For with the Lord there is steadfast love,
and with him is plentiful redemption.**
**And he will redeem you
from all your iniquities.**

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

*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.*

invocation

based on Psalm 5:3

In the morning, LORD, you hear our voices;
in the morning we come before you and wait expectantly.

hymns

Be Still My Soul

words: Katharina von Schelgel (1752) & Latifah Alattas, Reid Phillips, and Dann Stockton (2010)

music: Jean Sibelius (d. 1957), Latifah Alattas, Reid Phillips, Dann Stockton, David Wilton

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
Leave to your God to order and provide;
In every change, He will remain

Be still, my soul: your God will undertake
To guide the future, as in ages past
Your hope, your mind,
your will let nothing shake
All now mysterious shall be bright

Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on
When we shall be forever with the Lord
When disappointment, grief,
and fear are gone
Sorrow forgot, love's joys restored

More Love to Thee, O Christ

More love to Thee, O Christ,
more love to Thee!
Hear Thou the prayer
I make on bended knee.
This is my earnest plea:

chorus:

More love, O Christ, to Thee;
More love, more love to Thee!

Once earthly joy I craved,
sought peace and rest;
Now Thee alone I seek, give what is best.
This all my prayer shall be:

chorus

Let sorrow do its work,
bring grief and pain
Sweet are thy messengers,
sweet their refrain
When they can sing with me

chorus

words: Elizabeth P. Prentiss

*music: N. Ryan
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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.

Christ is Risen!

words: Evan Wilson

music: Evan Wilson, Russ Ware

Hallelujah, Christ is risen
From the darkness
Jesus raised in resurrection
Hallelujah, all our joys and triumphs rise

Hallelujah on the third day
Love's redeeming work
ablaze in heaven's glory
Hallelujah, death in vain forbids him rise

Hallelujah on the third day
Love's redeeming work ablaze
in heaven's glory
Hallelujah, all our joys and triumphs rise

Christ is risen, hallelujah
We are risen, hallelujah
Christ is risen, hallelujah
We are risen, hallelujah

Christ is risen, hallelujah
Christ is risen, hallelujah

Rejoice! the Lord is risen!
We live in resurrection

Hallelujah, sin is conquered
Praise the king of glory,
Jesus, our redemption
Hallelujah, death in vain forbids him rise

scripture reading + interlude

Psalm 121

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills.
From where does my help come?
- 2 My help comes from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not let your foot be moved;
he who keeps you will not slumber.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.
- 5 The Lord is your keeper;
the Lord is your shade on your right hand.
- 6 The sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.
- 7 The Lord will keep you from all evil;
he will keep your life.
- 8 The Lord will keep
your going out and your coming in
from this time forth and forevermore.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

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: Horatius Bonar

music: N. Ryan
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prayer of confession

Father in heaven,
We continue to celebrate how you have raised Jesus from the dead.
You have brought life to our dying and decaying world.
You have begun to heal everything that is broken.
You have begun to heal us.

But we confess that we often forget that you are inviting us to share in your victory.

We focus instead on our failures and the failures of others.

Because of this, we can live as a despairing, cynical, and critical people.

Forgive us for forgetting your victory; for trying to overcome by our own power.

In keeping with your promises, Lord, welcome us into your newness of life, once again.

Renew us, and fill us with the hope that comes from you.

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

hymn

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

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

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

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

receiving of grace

from Philipians 1:6; 2 Corinthians 5:17

I am confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. We can know this, because if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!

God's grace abounds for us, even in our weakness.

Let us remember the hope of the gospel: **In Christ, we are forgiven.**

presenting candidates for elder

John 21:15-17

15 When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." 16 He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." 17 He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep."

Candidates for elder

Chris Ball Dan Reeve
Peter Barrett Thad Williams

The office of elder is a calling, above all else, to serve Christ's church. While elders make decisions on behalf of the community, the office is much more about being than doing. God has set up an organizational structure that calls for elders to lead by serving, through the power of the Holy Spirit.

In practical terms, an elder is called, and compelled by the gospel of Jesus, to continually and boldly enter the difficult, the awkward, and the painful, for the sake of helping to preserve the purity and flourishing the church, the Bride of Christ. It is a unique and sober calling that uniquely positions a person to behold both the beauty and the brokenness of God's people, and his gracious work in and among them. Elders are called to:

- Be prayerful shepherds; chief modelers of gospel reliance
- Support and encourage pastoral staff and their families
- Receive, dismiss, and restore church members
- Pray with and for people, where they work and live
- Instruct, comfort, and build up (edify) the church
- Own, protect, articulate, and promote the ASC mission
- Promote, refine, and implement the ASC philosophy of ministry
- Be advised by Consistory on matters related to: ministry foci, leadership, structure, objectives; church culture and presence
- Annually review and adopt budget

hymn

The Solid Rock

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

chorus:
On Christ, the solid Rock I stand
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

When Darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil.

chorus

His oath, His covenant, His blood
Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.

chorus
When He shall come with trumpet sound,
O may I then in Him be found,
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne.

chorus

Elder election timeline:

- In November, All Souls members nominated candidates for elder, who then entered a season of discernment and equipping from mid Dec. thru March.
- Members now have through May 12 to prayerfully consider the recommendation to elect these candidates to the ordained office of elder. Members are encouraged to meet with candidates, ask questions, and actively participate in this process
- Members will gather after worship May 13 to elect elders via paper ballot (51% majority required for election)
- Elected elders will be ordained and installed in worship on May 20, Pentecost Sunday.

standing

words: Edward Mote
music: William Bradbury

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.

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

Rev. Andy Pelander

1 “Brothers and fathers, hear the defense that I now make before you.”

2 And when they heard that he was addressing them in the Hebrew language, they became even more quiet. And he said:

3 “I am a Jew, born in Tarsus in Cilicia, but brought up in this city, educated at the feet of Gamaliel according to the strict manner of the law of our fathers, being zealous for God as all of you are this day. 4 I persecuted this Way to the death, binding and delivering to prison both men and women, 5 as the high priest and the whole council of elders can bear me witness. From them I received letters to the brothers, and I journeyed toward Damascus to take those also who were there and bring them in bonds to Jerusalem to be punished.

6 “As I was on my way and drew near to Damascus, about noon a great light from heaven suddenly shone around me. 7 And I fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to me, ‘Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?’ 8 And I answered, ‘Who are you, Lord?’ And he said to me, ‘I am Jesus of Nazareth, whom you are persecuting.’ 9 Now those who were with me saw the light but did not understand the voice of the one who was speaking to me. 10 And I said, ‘What shall I do, Lord?’ And the Lord said to me, ‘Rise, and go into Damascus, and there you will be told all that is appointed for you to do.’ 11 And since I could not see because of the brightness of that light, I was led by the hand by those who were with me, and came into Damascus.

12 “And one Ananias, a devout man according to the law, well spoken of by all the Jews who lived there, 13 came to me, and standing by me said to me, ‘Brother Saul, receive your sight.’ And at that very hour I received my sight and saw him. 14 And he said, ‘The God of our fathers appointed you to know his will, to see the Righteous One and to hear a voice from his mouth; 15 for you will be a witness for him to everyone of what you have seen and heard. 16 And now why do you wait? Rise and be baptized and wash away your sins, calling on his name.’

17 “When I had returned to Jerusalem and was praying in the temple, I fell into a trance 18 and saw him saying to me, ‘Make haste and get out of Jerusalem quickly, because they will not accept your testimony about me.’ 19 And I said, ‘Lord, they themselves know that in one synagogue after another I imprisoned and beat those who believed in you. 20 And when the blood of Stephen your witness was being shed, I myself was standing by and approving and watching over the garments of those who killed him.’ 21 And he said to me, ‘Go, for I will send you far away to the Gentiles.’”

22 Up to this word they listened to him. Then they raised their voices and said, “Away with such a fellow from the earth! For he should not be allowed to live.”

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

hymns

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy
weak and wounded sick and sore
Jesus ready stands to save you
full of pity, love, and power

Come, ye thirsty, come and welcome
God's free bounty, glorify
true belief and true repentance
and every grace that brings you nigh

chorus:

I will arise and go to Jesus
he will embrace me in his arms
and in the arms of my dear Savior
there are ten thousand charms

Come, Ye Sinners

Come, ye weary, heavy laden
lost and ruined by the fall
if you tarry until you're better
you will never come at all

chorus

We're calling you, needing you
Hear our cry, God, loving you

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.

words: Joseph Hart (1759)

music: Dan Hamilton, Joseph Hart, R. Seay, Ryan Owens, T. Johnson © 2005 Birdwing Music

Father, Let Your Kingdom Come

standing

Hallelu, hallelujah, Father, let Your kingdom come (4x)

May the works of my hands bring You joy (4x)

Hallelu, hallelujah, Father, let Your kingdom come (4x)

May the words from my mouth speak Your peace (4x)

Hallelu, hallelujah, Father, let Your kingdom come (4x)

You make all things new

You make all things new

In places we don't choose

You make all things new

Hallelu, hallelujah, Father, let Your kingdom come (8x)

words and music:

Porter's Gate

benediction + sending

1 Corinthians 16:23

The grace of the Lord Jesus 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!

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

PINT NIGHT - TOMORROW

Next: Monday, April 23, 7:30-9:30p

Join us at the Beveridge Place Pub, near Morgan Junction, for a pint and some friend-making. Anyone is welcome— especially those new to the All Souls community— so inviting friends and neighbors is easy. Bring your own food, and/or dog; **parents, find a sitter and have a night out!**

DINNER FOR SIX

Next: Friday, May 18

Dinner for Six is a periodic meal hosted by those within the All Souls community who will welcome four to five others into their home (six total) as an opportunity to get to know folks and, very often, spark a new friendship(s). All are encouraged to sign up or host (rsvp@allsoulsseattle.org), and you will be assigned to a home.

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

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

BRAVE EVENT

Saturday, May 5

Brave is a one-day catalytic event whose purpose is to remind a very specific demographic that they are worth celebrating: girls 12-18 years old who are in vulnerable situations like foster care, homelessness, youth probation, etc. If you are interested in volunteering or donating, please contact Nancy Spiro: 206-261-5381 / nancyspiro@gmail.com

YOUTH GAME NIGHT!

Friday, April 27, 6:30-8:30p

Middle and High schoolers, please join us for pizza and game night at the All Souls Loft! Bring friends and your game face! Looking forward to seeing you all there. For more information or to RSVP, contact Suzanne (suzanne@allsoulsseattle.org).

YOUNG LIFE DESSERT AUCTION

Friday, May 11, 6:30p, Lady of Guadalupe School Hall

You are invited to join other folks from All Souls and our broader West Seattle community for a Dessert Auction supporting West Seattle Young Life. The goal is to raise \$25,000 to send Young Life students from WS schools to camp this summer, many of whom would be unable to pay for camp without this support. Interested in attending? Contact Rachel Pelander (rachelpelander@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.*

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

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 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
YOUTH 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
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