



# Welcome.

All Souls, seeking to be a church not just for ourselves, exists to be a vibrant expression of who God is—gracious, present, hospitable.

Launched in 2010, we are a worshipping community rooted in the belief that the historic Christian gospel is true, compelling, and promises to change our lives powerfully, in the direction of freedom, wholeness, and hope.

We seek to embody and articulate this gospel of grace, bringing about spiritual, social, and cultural renewal in Seattle and, through it, the world.

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

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

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

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

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

So let us explore. *Let us worship.*



*All Souls*

# Exploring?

Do you have questions about the Christian faith?

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

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

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

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

So, be curious. Doubt. Ask. Explore.

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*Cover Photo: Nate Bailey*

that's what she loves about Motown,  
the way it asks you to carry sadness  
and heartbreak but dance while doing so.

tommy orange  
there there

# Order of Worship

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST / 28 JULY 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.

## 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.*

*standing*

## call to worship

*based on Psalm 27*

The Lord is my light and my salvation—  
Whom shall I fear?  
Whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life—  
of whom shall I be afraid?

one thing I ask  
one thing I seek  
to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord

wait for the Lord  
wait for the Lord  
Oh, be strong and take heart

*from Psalm 138:3-8*

On the day I called, you answered me,  
**you increased my strength of soul.**  
All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O Lord,  
**for they have heard the words of your mouth,**  
and they shall sing of the ways of the Lord,  
**for great is the glory of the Lord.**

For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly.

**Though I walk in the midst of trouble,  
you preserve my life;  
The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me;  
your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.**

*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

Psalm 85:8

Let me hear what God the Lord will speak,  
for he will speak peace to his people.

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

words: Josiah Conder, 1824

music: Nathan Partain, 2003  
arr. Bruce Benedict, 2008

*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.*

The Lord is King! Lift up your voice,  
O earth and all ye heav'ns rejoice!  
From world to world, the joy shall ring.  
'The Lord omnipotent is King!'

*chorus:*

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

## The Lord is King

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

*chorus*

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

*chorus*

1 I want you to know how hard I am contending for you and for those at Laodicea, and for all who have not met me personally. 2 My goal is that they may be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they may have the full riches of complete understanding, in order that they may know the mystery of God, namely, Christ, 3 in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. 4 I tell you this so that no one may deceive you by fine-sounding arguments. 5 For though I am absent from you in body, I am present with you in spirit and delight to see how disciplined you are and how firm your faith in Christ is.

6 So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, 7 rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

8 See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ.

9 For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, 10 and in Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority. 11 In him you were also circumcised with a circumcision not performed by human hands. Your whole self ruled by the flesh was put off when you were circumcised by Christ, 12 having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through your faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead.

13 When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, 14 having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. 15 And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

*seated*  
**confession**

Lord Jesus, you are triumphant over all. And yet, though you are high, you regard the lowly. You are with those who know failure and loss.

**Be with us now as we mourn the times our friends and family, the people we needed, insulated themselves from us, from our pain, needs, loneliness, and suffering.**

*Let's acknowledge these things silently before the Lord, drawing hope from Jesus' promise: "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted" (Matthew 5:4).*

**Be with us now as we confess the times we have hardened ourselves and distracted ourselves so that we are unaware of how our own lives cause grief to those around us in their pain, needs, loneliness, and suffering.**

*Let's acknowledge these things silently before the Lord, drawing hope from this promise: "Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity.... And you forgave." (Psalm 32:5).*

*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.*

*"Sin" is the Bible's word for inserting ourselves in a space that only God can occupy. Sin, at its core, is "an obsession or worship of oneself." Martin Luther famously described sin as "curving in on oneself" which causes a relational breach not only with the people we harm, but also with God by not giving God the place He deserves in our lives as our loving creator, sustainer, and savior.*

*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

Hebrews 10:22

Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water.

Together, we remember the hope of the gospel:

**In Christ, we are forgiven.**

## responding to grace

*from* The General Thanksgiving

Let us pray to live lives of gratitude, in response to what God has done for us:

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

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

*This prayer has been used for  
hundreds of years as a way  
to respond to God's grace.  
We join with Christians  
throughout history who have  
used the "The General  
Thanksgiving" to live gratefully  
in response to what God has  
done for us. The full version  
of this prayer can be found in  
the Book of Common Prayer.*

## reflection

“Tears” by Frederick Buechner

*We regularly pray for needs in our community, our city, and the world as an act of obedience and love, and to align our concerns with the Lord's.*

*Submit prayer requests to [prayer@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:prayer@allsoulsseattle.org)*

You never know what may cause them.

The sight of the Atlantic Ocean can do it, or a piece of music, or a face you've never seen before. A pair of somebody's old shoes can do it. Almost any movie made before the great sadness that came over the world after the Second World War, a horse cantering across a meadow, the high school basketball team running out onto the gym floor at the start of a game. You can never be sure. But of this you can be sure. Whenever you find tears in your eyes, especially unexpected tears, it is well to pay the closest attention.

They are not only telling you something about the secret of who you are, but more often than not God is speaking to you through them of the mystery of where you have come from and is summoning you to where, if your soul is to be saved, you should go to next.

## hymn

Within Our Darkest Night

Within our darkest night,  
You kindle the fire that never dies away,  
That never dies away

Within our darkest night,  
You kindle the fire that never dies away,  
That never dies away

## common rhythms + practices

### word

Wisdom in Sadness | Summer Psalms + Proverbs

Rev. R.J. March

*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!"*

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.

*All we have is given to us by God. Our offerings express this joyful dependence and our commitment to join God in his work of renewal. Whether we have much or little, God calls us to treasure and trust Him above all. So we are to give as generously as we are able, knowing that He who met our most dire need through Christ will continue to provide for every need we have. All gifts go toward ministry initiatives of All Souls and the relief of those in need.*

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

## table

*The Lord's Supper, also called Communion or the Eucharist, is the family meal of Christians. 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 -  
 4 of your glo - ry. Ho - san-na in the high - est! Ble - s  
 7 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

Lo! He comes with clouds descending, Once for our salvation, slain;  
Thousand thousand saints attending,  
Swell the triumph of His train:  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
God appears on earth to reign. (x2)

Every eye shall now behold Him  
Robed in dreadful majesty;  
Those who set at naught and sold Him, Pierced  
and nailed Him to the tree,  
Deeply wailing, deeply wailing,  
Shall the true Messiah see. (x2)

Lo! He comes in glory shining  
Saints arise and meet your king  
Glorious captain of salvation  
"Welcome welcome" hear them sing  
Shouts of triumph, shouts of triumph  
Make the heavens with echoes ring (x2)

benediction + sending

2 Corinthians 1: 3-11

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God. **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: Charles Wesley,  
Martin Madan,  
Joseph Swain,  
John Cennick*

*music: Nathan Ryan  
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*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](mailto:info@allsoulsseattle.org) for details or directions to any of these gatherings, or visit [allsoulsseattle.org/events](http://allsoulsseattle.org/events).

## Gathering

### SUMMER SOCIALS

Join us for our second annual series of summer gatherings— find a full list on the handouts (back book table), invite friends, and join us. *Upcoming:*

**All Souls Go Swimming** | Today | Seward Park beach | 3p  
**1/2 Price Burgers + Spike Ball** | Wednesdays Aug 7, 14 | Blue Moon Burger Alki | 6-8p  
**The Unsettling of America book discussion** | Thurs Aug 8 | the March home | 8p

### WOMEN + SCRIPTURAL STORYTELLING

*Next:* Thurs, August 15, 7:30-9p

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

### TAIZÉ TUESDAYS - A NEW EVENSONG SERVICE THIS SUMMER

Join All Souls staff and the music team on Tuesdays June 4, July 2, **August 6** from 7:30-8:15p at the All Souls Loft (4138 California Ave SW, 2nd fl). Bring an instrument and sing or play along during this short, musically-driven worship service. Taizé songs are typically made up of repeating phrases making them easy to learn and accessible for a wide variety of musical and vocal abilities. Fellowship (and possibly tacos) to follow afterwards. If you have questions, contact [lori@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:lori@allsoulsseattle.org)

*save the date*

### ANNUAL SUNDAY NEIGHBORHOOD PICNIC + KICKBALL TOURNNEY

August 25, 11a-2p, Lincoln Park

In lieu of Sunday worship at Madison, the All Souls community will gather for its annual picnic at Lincoln Park. RETURNING THIS YEAR: kickball tournament! So we'll be up around the baseball diamond, not the waterfront. BBQ pulled pork sandwiches and hot dogs provided— please bring chips/fruit/veggies/cookies/drinks to share. All are welcome, invite a friend!

## Growing

### LEARN + SERVE

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

### 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](mailto:pastor@allsoulsseattle.org)

## Bulletin Board

### READING GROUP

Every other Wednesday 7:30-9p / All Souls Loft

*Enjoy reading and discussing books on spiritual and theological topics?* Beginning May 15, we will discuss John Stott's *The Cross of Christ*, exploring the reasons for Jesus' death on the cross and what it means for us. Contact Adam Aljets to learn more ([aljets@gmail.com](mailto:aljets@gmail.com)).

### BABYSITTING CO-OP

New members welcome! Join our community of All Souls families who help each other with childcare and gather monthly for playdates. Contact: Kat Libolt ([katlibolt@gmail.com](mailto:katlilbolt@gmail.com))

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

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

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

# All Souls Kids + Youth



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

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

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

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

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

## Middle and High School Students

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

- **Middle school students** are invited to participate in bi-monthly spiritual formation classes, in the library (2nd and 4th Sundays of each month), and to remain in worship or serve with All Souls Kids on the 1st and 3rd Sundays 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/4th Thursday of each month, at the All Souls Loft 6-8p. Dinner included. Contact Suzanne Case for more 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. *Upcoming:*

**Mario Cart Battle** | Saturday, Aug 24 | the Loft | 5p | students + adults welcome

Additionally, **Young Life** has many opportunities for youth to connect, and to explore the gospel. To learn more, ask one of our student ministries staff or visit [westseattle.younglife.org](http://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.

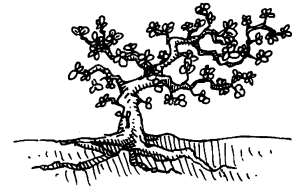
### Parents:

*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](http://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 (shannon@allsoulsseattle.org).
- ▶ **Make a Meal** - As a way to tangibly serve one another in challenging or transitional seasons of life, we as a family make meals for each other. To make *or request* a meal, please contact communitycare@allsoulsseattle.org. Thank you!
- ▶ **All Souls Kids** - Modeling and sharing the gospel to/with children is one of the more impactful ways one can serve. There are consistent needs in classrooms serving ages 2 through 5th grade, and your help is needed! The commitment is only one Sunday a month, and training and materials are provided— no experience necessary! Contact: Suzanne Case (suzanne@).

## NEIGHBORHOOD + CITY

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

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

*current opportunities:*

### ▶ **City Serve Day**

Join All Souls Saturday, August 17 from 9a-12p as we roll up our sleeves and serve the Madison Middle School community together. We will focus on cleaning up the outdoor landscaping so come ready to weed and mulch! We are excited for this opportunity to tangibly pour into the place that has been a huge gift to our church. All ages welcome and childcare options available as needed (contact Suzanne Case to learn more). Sign-up to serve: serve@allsoulsseattle.org.

### ▶ **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 for regular updates with needs as they arise (contact: nancyspiro@gmail.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 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 R.J. March, or a group 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
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
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
HIGHLAND PARK	Nate + Lori Bailey hi.loribailey@gmail.com	Thurs / 6 - 8:30p	Mixed group of adults; includes a meal
	R.J. + Carolyn March rj@allsoulsseattle.org	Sun / 5 - 6:30p	Mixed group of adults; children welcome includes a meal and childcare

*group information can also be found at [allsoulsseattle.org/connect](http://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](http://allsoulsseattle.org/give)
- For any assistance or questions about:  
Giving on a recurring basis via EFT (electronic fund transfer), stock donation, or non-cash contribution options (e.g. property or vehicle donation) please contact [bookkeeper@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:bookkeeper@allsoulsseattle.org)

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

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

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## Psalm 88

- 1 O Lord, God of my salvation,  
I cry out day and night before you.
- 2 Let my prayer come before you;  
incline your ear to my cry!
- 3 For my soul is full of troubles,  
and my life draws near to Sheol.
- 4 I am counted among those who go down to the pit;  
I am a man who has no strength,  
5 like one set loose among the dead,  
like the slain that lie in the grave,  
like those whom you remember no more,  
for they are cut off from your hand.
- 6 You have put me in the depths of the pit,  
in the regions dark and deep.
- 7 Your wrath lies heavy upon me,  
and you overwhelm me with all your waves. Selah
- 8 You have caused my companions to shun me;  
you have made me a horror to them.  
I am shut in so that I cannot escape;  
9 my eye grows dim through sorrow.  
Every day I call upon you, O Lord;  
I spread out my hands to you.
- 10 Do you work wonders for the dead?  
Do the departed rise up to praise you? Selah
- 11 Is your steadfast love declared in the grave,  
or your faithfulness in Abaddon?
- 12 Are your wonders known in the darkness,  
or your righteousness in the land of forgetfulness?
- 13 But I, O Lord, cry to you;  
in the morning my prayer comes before you.
- 14 O Lord, why do you cast my soul away?  
Why do you hide your face from me?
- 15 Afflicted and close to death from my youth up,  
I suffer your terrors; I am helpless.
- 16 Your wrath has swept over me;  
your dreadful assaults destroy me.
- 17 They surround me like a flood all day long;  
they close in on me together.
- 18 You have caused my beloved and my friend to shun me;  
my companions have become darkness.

## Proverbs 20:5

The purposes of a person's heart are deep waters,  
but one who has insight draws them out.