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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.*

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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All Souls

I do not know you God because I am in the way.
Please help me to push myself aside.

Flannery O'Connor

Order of Worship

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST / 29 JULY 2018



Please silence all devices for
the duration of worship

welcome

call to worship

from Luke 1:46-55

standing

My soul mag - ni - fies the Lord. My spir - it re - joi - ces in God —
5 My soul mag - ni - fies the Lord, my Sav - ior.
9 For He has done great things, For he has done great things for
13 me. For he has done great things for me.

Psalms 145:8-9, 13-18

The LORD is gracious and merciful,

slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

The LORD is good to all,

and his mercy is over all that he has made.

The LORD is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.

The LORD upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season.

You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every living thing.

The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

Text in **bold** is read aloud
by the entire congregation.

Plain text is read by the
worship leader only.

invocation

Ephesians 3:14-16

I bow my knees before the Father,

from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name.

I pray that, according to the riches of his glory,

he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being
with power through his Spirit.

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.

words: anonymous

music: Silesian folk song,
Leipzig 1842
arr. E Wilson

hymns

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.

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.

Fairest Lord Jesus

All fairest beauty, heavenly and earthly,
Wondrously, Jesus, is found in Thee;
None can be nearer, fairer or dearer,
Than Thou, my Savior, art to me.

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.

words: Elizabeth P. Prentiss

music: Nathan 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.

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

More Love to Thee, O Christ

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

chorus

1 Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. 2 And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing on the sick. 3 Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. 4 Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. 5 Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" 6 He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. 7 Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii worth of bread would not be enough for each of them to get a little." 8 One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 9 "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?" 10 Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. 11 Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted. 12 And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, "Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost." 13 So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten. 14 When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, "This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!"

15 Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

16 When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, 17 got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. 18 The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. 19 When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were frightened. 20 But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." 21 Then they were glad to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat was at the land to which they were going.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

prayer of confession

We confess that we have elevated the things of this world above you.
We have made idols of possessions and people and used your name for causes
that are not consistent with you and your purposes— **Lord, have mercy!**

We have permitted our schedules to come first and have not taken the time to worship
you. We have not always honored those who guided us in life— **Christ, have mercy!**

When we have afflicted others, whether personally or by our silent support of practices
that oppress, enslave, and crush— **Lord, have mercy!**

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

It has been the practice of the church for thousands of years to have portions of the Bible read during worship. We do this because we are people who need to be shaped by all of God's Word.

Musical interludes are included in our service in order to provide space for reflection and worship.

seated

Confession of sin happens within the context of relationship, both with God and each other. We confess together, in community, before a gracious God who has given us himself. Confession both acknowledges our need for mercy and celebrates its abundance in Christ.

words and music:

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hymn

Walls Come Down

God of earth and altar
Please hear our cry
Kings of earth, they falter
People drift and die

Walls of gold entomb us
Scornful hearts divide
Take not your presence from us
But take away our pride

chorus:

Let these walls come down (2x)
Every heart cry out
Let these walls come down

From all that terror teaches
From lies of tongue and pen
From all the empty speeches
That comfort foolish men

From sale and acquisition
Of people and the sword
From apathy and numbness
Deliver us, O Lord

chorus

Hear our prayer! (4x)
Walls come down, walls come down (2x)

chorus

receiving of grace

Ephesians 2:13, 18-19

Now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.

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

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

Christians, what do you believe?

We believe in one God,
 the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
 the only Son of God,
 begotten from the Father before all ages,
 God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
 begotten, not made; of the same essence as the Father.
 Through him all things were made.
 For us and for our salvation
 he came down from heaven;
 he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
 and was made human.
 He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried.
 The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures.
 He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead.
 His kingdom will never end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the Lord, the giver of life.
 He proceeds from the Father and the Son,
 and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.
 He spoke through the prophets.
 We believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic church.
 We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
 We look forward to the resurrection of the dead,
 and to life in the world to come. Amen.

For centuries the church have used creeds, catechisms, and prayers to articulate and better understand their shared faith.

The Nicene Creed, adopted in the 3rd century, is the most universally affirmed creed among Christian churches.

** 'catholic' refers to the true Christian church at all times and in all places.*

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

*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.

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 (wafers 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.

word

- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- 2 My soul makes its boast in the Lord;
let the humble hear and be glad.
- 3 Oh, magnify the Lord with me,
and let us exalt his name together!
- 4 I sought the Lord, and he answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.
- 5 Those who look to him are radiant,
and their faces shall never be ashamed.
- 6 This poor man cried, and the Lord heard
him and saved him out of all his troubles.
- 7 The angel of the Lord encamps
around those who fear him, and delivers
them.
- 8 Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good!
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in
him!
- 9 Oh, fear the Lord, you his saints,
for those who fear him have no lack!
- 10 The young lions suffer want and hunger;
but those who seek the Lord lack no good
thing.
- 11 Come, O children, listen to me;
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

grateful giving

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.

Near to the Brokenhearted | Psalm 34

Rev. R.J. March

- 12 What man is there who desires life
and loves many days, that he may see good?
- 13 Keep your tongue from evil
and your lips from speaking deceit.
- 14 Turn away from evil and do good;
seek peace and pursue it.
- 15 The eyes of the Lord are toward the righteous
and his ears toward their cry.
- 16 The face of the Lord is against those who do
evil,
to cut off the memory of them from the earth.
- 17 When the righteous cry for help,
the Lord hears and delivers them out of all their
troubles.
- 18 The Lord is near to the brokenhearted
and saves the crushed in spirit.
- 19 Many are the afflictions of the righteous,
but the Lord delivers him out of them all.
- 20 He keeps all his bones; not one of them is
broken.
- 21 Affliction will slay the wicked,
and those who hate the righteous will be
condemned.
- 22 The Lord redeems the life of his servants;
none of those who take refuge in him will
be condemned.

1 Corinthians 4:7

table

WORDS OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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.

COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, we give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us, as we receive these holy mysteries with the spiritual food of the body and blood of our Savior.

Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into old patterns of selfishness, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

hymn

O Lord my God,
when I in awesome wonder,
Consider all the works
Thy hands have made;
I see the stars,
I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

chorus:

Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, How great Thou art.
Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

benediction + sending

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. **Amen.**

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

Thanks be to God!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Therefore, we proclaim

the mystery of the faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen,

Christ will come again.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore, let us keep the feast.

How Great Thou Art

And when I think,
that God His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;
That on the Cross,
my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin.

chorus

When Christ shall come,
With shouts of acclamation,
And heal the world,
What joy shall fill my heart.
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration,
And there proclaim: "My God, how great
Thou art!"

chorus

Ephesians 3:20-21

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.

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/events.

Gathering

A SUMMER CONVERSATION SERIES FOR WOMEN

Wednesdays, 7-9p / June 27, July 25, August 22

As a faith community, our life is centered on the unique power and authority of God's story. And, there are other stories that matter to us, too— in films, books, songs, etc., that we remember and return to again and again. This summer, women in and around the All Souls family are invited to three evenings of conversation and reflection, getting to know one another through the stories that have shaped us. For more information and to RSVP, contact Becca Shirley (becca@allsoulsseattle.org).

SUMMER SOCIALS — JOIN TODAY!

Now through August, a handful of casual gatherings are scheduled— a number of them hosted by one of our Home Groups. All welcome; info card on the book table and join us! *Upcoming:*

Sun July 29 3v3 Basketball Tournament / Madison Middle School / noon-3p
Food bars & fruit provided; join us on the patio following the service!

Sun Aug 5 Afternoon in Jefferson Park / Jefferson Park wading pool & skate park / 3-6pm
Bring a picnic dinner, blankets/chairs, swimsuits, & wheels

ANNUAL SUNDAY NEIGHBORHOOD PICNIC + KICKBALL TOURNEY

August 26, 11a-2p, Lincoln Park

In lieu of Sunday worship at Madison Middle School, the All Souls community will gather for its annual picnic at Lincoln Park. **NEW THIS YEAR:** kickball tournament! So we'll be up around the baseball diamond, not the waterfront. **Team sign-up details soon.** Burgers and dogs provided— bring sides/salads/drinks, etc. to share. All are welcome, invite a friend!

Growing

MORNING PRAYER

Join All Souls staff for prayer on Weds at 8:30a, at the All Souls Loft (4138 California Ave SW, 2nd fl).

GROWTH GROUPS

While the strength of Home Groups (p.11) includes community building, safety to explore Christianity, whole-family participation (as applicable), and service among friends, **Growth Groups** are a more intentional and intimate place to go deeper spiritually, with a focus on life with God. Also, as those who've participated will attest, these groups foster a unique depth of relationship with the other women/men.

So, are you in a season of your life when you're 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 (5-7 max), gender-specific group?

Growth groups meet weekly and require a high commitment to faithful presence and engagement. Group structures vary slightly, based on dynamics and composition of group, but generally involve discussion of assigned reading material. Groups have studied scripture, and/or books on gospel application, practical theology, and prayer. 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.

WE'RE HIRING

We are seeking a **Director of Christian Formation for Middle and High School Students** who will prayerfully, humbly, skillfully, creatively, and joyfully love and serve our worshipping community and neighborhood; who, as a disciple, demonstrates continual, personal engagement with the gospel of Jesus in all areas of life; who has demonstrated gifting and calling to ministry. For more info, see allsoulsseattle.org/about or contact A.S.K. Director Suzanne Case (suzanne@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 + 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 Stefphan Gambill (stefphan@allsoulsseattle.org) or visit westseattle.younglife.org

PARENTING BOOK STUDY

Thursdays, 7-8:30p, *beginning June 28 at the All Souls Loft*

Join All Souls Kids staff for a summer book study (*Parenting is Heart Work*, by Dr. Scott Turansky) with guided discussion for all parents (parents of kids with special needs, typically developing kids, and of any age). The discussion is designed to shift our focus as parents to the deeper desires and challenges in our kids' hearts which drive behavior, and how to address them intentionally with the grace and love of Christ. For more information contact Suzanne Case (suzanne@allsoulsseattle.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

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: Shannon Smith (shannon@allsoulsseattle.org).
- **Make a Meal** - As a way to tangibly serve one another in challenging or transitional seasons of life, we as a family make meals for each other. To make *or request* a meal, please contact communitycare@allsoulsseattle.org. Thank you!

NEIGHBORHOOD + CITY

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

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

current opportunities:

▸ **City Serve Day**

Join All Souls Saturday, August 18th from 9am-1pm as we roll up our sleeves and serve the Madison Middle School community together. We are excited for this opportunity to tangibly pour into the place that has been a huge gift to our church. There will be a variety of projects available from mulching and weeding to painting and cleaning. Childcare will be available at the Loft, with priority given to children ages 5 & under; space is limited, so please plan to RSVP right away. Older children, ages 8 and up are welcome to participate under the supervision of an adult. Sign up at the book table in the back or email Rachel Faunce (rachelfaunce@gmail.com) to learn more.

▸ **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).

▸ **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. We need local 'family' — siblings in Jesus we can lean on, learn with and from, care for, and celebrate growth alongside. Home Groups, designed to invite us into this relational space, are a vital part of our shared life and growth in Christ— places of care and community where we discover and live the Christian life together.

Simply put, they are the best way at All Souls to integrate as a newcomer, build lasting friendships, and to consistently be in each other's lives. We are a community that places high value on this time together in God's word and in prayer, and also serving our city and neighborhoods.

Home Groups meet at least twice a month, and vary slightly in structure from group to group, based on group dynamics/ composition. Generally, groups meet to discuss scripture, share stories, pray, plan service projects/relationships, and share meals. All are encouraged to prioritize Home Groups. They can be joined by anyone at anytime, and aim to accommodate a variety of schedules, including those of families and commuters.

Groups meet regularly through the academic year, shifting to a more informal, intermittent schedule during summer months. To learn more about a group and how to jump in year-round, please contact the leader(s) directly.

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

Neighborhood	Contact	Time	Notes
ADMIRAL	Graeme + Sarah Hanson s.wulf.hanson@gmail.com	Wed / 7 - 8:30p	Mixed group of adults
	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 includes a meal and childcare
ARBOR HEIGHTS	Jeff + Suzanne Case suzannecase3@gmail.com	Tues / 6 - 7:30p	Mixed group of adults; children welcome includes a meal
	Matt + Nancy Spiro Nicholas + Alyssa Incorvaia nancyspiro@gmail.com	Tues / 6 - 7:30p	Mixed group of adults; children welcome includes a meal
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	Stephan Gambill stephan@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