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# 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.

Please 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 God's grace, freely given to you.

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.

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.

All Souls is a safe place to begin from anywhere.

**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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## How do I get connected?

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## All Souls Kids + Youth

[allsoulsseattle.org/kids](http://allsoulsseattle.org/kids) ( /youth )

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*Photo: Lowman Beach, West Seattle (2019)*

Lament bespeaks a bold assumption: God cares that I am in pain and can be expected to do something about it. That is a remarkable assumption when you think about it, which we hardly ever do—that the God who made heaven and earth should care that I am hurting.

—Ellen F. Davis, *Getting Involved with God*

# Order of Worship

ORDINARY TIME / JULY 30 2023



*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 God's Word, celebrate Communion, and to simply be together. This is a safe place to begin from anywhere.*

## Call to Worship

Psalm 95

*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 and music Evan Wallace Wilson (2018)*

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 grateful hearts  
Shout for joy with music and song

STANDING

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)

*from Psalm 145*

All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,

**and all your faithful shall bless you.**

They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power,

**to make known to all people your mighty deeds,**

**and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.**

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,

**and your dominion endures throughout all generations.**

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.**

***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.*

*If you, or someone with you this afternoon, has special needs we do not want to miss an opportunity to serve you.*

*Please introduce yourself and let us know how we can support you best.*

## Acclamation

Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

# Almighty God

words and music by Sandra McCracken, Leslie Jordan, and David Leonard (2015)

Almighty God to you all hearts are open  
Search and know our thoughts  
and anxious fears  
Wash us in the fountain of your mercy  
Come with your light,  
we cannot hide from you

chorus: Hallelujah (3x)

Almighty God to you all hearts are open  
We long for more  
than what this world provides  
No shallow spring will every satisfy us  
Your river deep floods over everything

Almighty God to you all hearts are open  
With gratitude we raise our song to you  
Come and fill the praises of your people  
In grace and truth, you make us new again

chorus

# What Wondrous Love is This

American Folk Hymn

What wondrous love is this,  
O my soul, O my soul  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this  
That caused the Lord of bliss  
To bear the dreadful curse  
For my soul, for my soul  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul

To God and to the Lamb  
I will sing, I will sing,  
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing  
To God and to the Lamb,  
Who is the great 'I Am,'  
While millions join the theme,  
I will sing, I will sing,  
While millions join the theme, I will sing

When I was sinking down,  
sinking down, sinking down  
When I was sinking down, sinking down  
When I was sinking down,  
Beneath God's righteous frown,  
Christ laid aside His crown,  
For my soul, for my soul,  
Christ laid aside His crown, for my soul

And when from death I'm free,  
I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on  
And when from death I'm free,  
I'll sing and joyful be,  
And through eternity  
I'll sing on, I'll sing on  
And through eternity, I'll sing on

# Confession

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Let's acknowledge our need for Jesus to do what we cannot: heal, forgive, and restore where we have harmed, hurt, and broken. After a brief silence we will sing our confession.*

*Music at All Souls is comprised of "psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs" (Eph. 5:19).*

*These are often works that date back as far as Jewish antiquity, anchoring us in the ancient roots of Christian faith. Sometimes these are newer works that reflect prayerfully and prophetically on our current moment.*

*They contain theological richness and focus on God's character and redemptive work. They also lend poetic voice to our deepest emotional expressions: praise and thanksgiving, anger and sorrow, hope and joy.*

*We sing because we believe God is with us—present in our worship; inhabiting the praises of his people.*

## BE SEATED

*Confession 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.*

*Sin, in its essence, is a word that means, "an obsession or worship of oneself." Martin Luther described sin as "curving in on oneself," which causes a relational breach not only with people we harm, but also with God by not giving God the place he deserves in our lives as our loving Creator and Savior.*

T.J. Williams / E. Wilson

Lord, ha - ve mer - cy. Christ, ha - ve mer - cy. Lord, ha - ve mer - cy on \_\_\_\_\_ me.

Fine

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Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, Chris - te e - lei - son, Christ, ha - ve mer - cy on \_\_\_\_\_ me.

D.C. al Fine

## Receiving of Grace

1 John 2:1-2

*We serve a God of limitless power and might. Yet, in all of his power he looks on us with mercy, and draws us into his family, because of what Jesus Christ has done.*

If anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world.

Almighty God, whose steadfast love is as great as the heavens are high above the earth, remove our sins from us as far as the east is from the west, strengthen our lives in His kingdom and keep us upright to the last day; through Jesus Christ our merciful High Priest. **Amen.**

## Liturgy of Community

*Following prayer, for the summer months, students PreK-5th will be dismissed to the commons for prayer, art, and games. Children will return to the service after the sermon.*

Lord, bless these children whom you love, as they discover in their own language who you are.

**Give them a sense of being known and loved by you,** and the freedom to come fully as themselves.

Bless our teachers, and be present in their every word and interaction.

**Beloved children, go in peace. Amen.**

As you're able, please stand and greet those around you—especially someone you haven't met!

## the Reading

*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.*

### 2 Samuel 1:1-17, NRSV

1 After the death of Saul, when David had returned from defeating the Amalekites, David remained two days in Ziklag. 2 On the third day, a man came from Saul's camp with his clothes torn and dirt on his head. When he came to David, he fell to the ground and did obeisance. 3 David said to him, "Where have you come from?" He said to him, "I have escaped from the camp of Israel." 4 David said to him, "How did things go? Tell me!" He answered, "The army fled from the battle, but also many of the army fell and died, and Saul and his son Jonathan also died." 5 Then David asked the young man who was reporting to him, "How do you know that Saul and his son Jonathan died?" 6 The young man reporting to him said, "I happened to be on Mount Gilboa, and there was Saul leaning on his spear, while the chariots and the horsemen drew close to him. 7 When he looked behind him, he saw me and called to me. I answered, 'Here, sir.' 8 And he said to me, 'Who are you?' I answered him, 'I am an Amalekite.' 9 He said to me, 'Come, stand over me and kill me, for convulsions have seized me, and yet my life still lingers.' 10 So I stood over him and killed him, for I knew that he could not live after he had fallen. I took the crown that was on his head and the armlet that was on his arm, and I have brought them here to my lord." 11 Then David took hold of his clothes and tore them, and all the men who were with him did the same. 12 They mourned and wept and fasted until evening for Saul and for his son Jonathan and for the army of the Lord and for the house of Israel, because they had been struck down by the sword. 13 David said to the young man who had reported to him, "Where do you come from?" He answered, "I am the son of a resident alien, an Amalekite." 14 David said to him, "Were you not afraid to lift your hand to destroy the Lord's anointed?" 15 Then David called one of the young men and said, "Come here and strike him down." So he struck him down, and he died. 16 David said to him, "Your blood be on your head, for your own mouth has testified against you, saying, 'I have killed the Lord's anointed.' "

17 David intoned this lamentation over Saul and his son Jonathan. 18 (He ordered that The Song of the Bow be taught to the people of Judah; it is written in the Book of Jashar.)

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Matthew 13: 31-32; 44-50

31 Jesus put another parable before them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven is like a grain of mustard seed that a man took and sowed in his field. 32 It is the smallest of all seeds, but when it has grown it is larger than all the garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

44 "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

45 "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, 46 who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

47 "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind. 48 When it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into containers but threw away the bad. 49 So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous 50 and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## Interlude

*Musical interludes are included to provide space for reflection and worship.*

## Prayers of the People

*This week we pray for the Warm Springs tribe, the ongoing ministry of Sacred Road, and the All Souls team serving on the reservation this week.*

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the tangible provision of food, clean water, shelter, and access to medical care on the Warm Springs reservation.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the healing of generational trauma and displacement.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For renewed hope where there is despair—for peace where there is fear, belonging where there is a sense of abandonment, and joy where there is sorrow.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For a spirit of humility among those serving on the reservation this summer with Sacred Road and an eagerness to listen to, learn from, and honor our Native neighbors.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For perseverance, strength, and encouragement for the year-round Sacred Road staff as they seek to demonstrate God's love through serving the people of Warm Springs.

**Lord, have mercy.**

## Grateful Giving

Book of Common Prayer

Let us with gladness present the offerings of our life and labor to the Lord.





PRAYERS FOR THOSE  
NOT COMMUNING

*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.*

*\* Hosanna means "save me!" but with Jesus came to mean "salvation is here!"*

## Communion

*Communion, also called the Lord's Supper or the Eucharist, is the family meal of Christians.*

### THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of Christ be with you always! **And also with you.**

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

### DRAW NEAR

**Father, we come to your table as your children, not presuming but assured, not trusting ourselves but your Word; we hunger and thirst for righteousness, and ask for our hearts to be satisfied with the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ the righteous. Amen.**

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## The Lord's Prayer

*music by Jon Guerra*

Our Father, in heaven  
Hallowed be Thy name  
Thy kingdom come  
Thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven

Give us, this day  
Our daily bread  
Forgive us our sins  
As we forgive them  
That sin against us

God Most High,

**We thank you for welcoming us, teaching us and feeding us. We deserve nothing from you but in your great mercy, you have given us everything in your Son Jesus Christ. We love you and give ourselves to you to be sent out for your work. Grant us your blessing, now and for ever. Amen.**

## All Shall Be Well

*words by Julian of Norwich (1390) music and arrangement by John Van Heusen (2017)*

Thank you for the sun  
Thank you for the moon  
Thank you for the stars at night  
and the darkness too

Bless you for your peace,  
Bless you for your grace  
Bless you for your perfect  
and your perfect ways

*Chorus:*

And all shall be well, all shall be well  
All manner of things shall be well (2x)

Lead us not, Lead us not  
Lead us not into temptation  
But deliver us from evil  
Deliver us from evil (2x)

For Thine is the kingdom  
And the power  
And the glory  
Forever (4x)

Amen

Use me as you will  
Remove my selfish pride  
Create in me a servant's heart  
to bless your holy bride

And when my work is done  
And the seeds are sown  
Please receive my spirit, Lord  
and welcome me home

## Benediction

*from Hebrews 13:20-21*

May the God of peace, who brought back the great shepherd of the sheep, our Lord Jesus, from the dead by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip us with every good thing to do his will, by developing in us what pleases him through Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

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

**Thanks be to God!**

*All Souls welcomes all who are trusting in Jesus Christ for salvation, understand the meaning of the Lord's Supper, and are in good standing with congregations that proclaim the gospel to receive Holy Communion with us.*

*Please note that we use wine and non-alcoholic grape juice for Communion. For those with wheat allergies, a gluten-free cracker is available in place of the bread (ingredients: cauliflower, brown rice flour, tapioca starch, coconut milk powder, pumpkin seeds, sunflower seeds, sesame seeds, mustard powder, sea salt, garlic powder, onion powder).*

### **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 leadership 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.*

*Scripture appears in the English Standard Version (ESV) or New International Version (NIV) unless otherwise noted.*

*Our pastoral staff and other leaders are available following the service for prayer or to answer any questions you may have about All Souls.*

## Announcements

**Vespers on the Beach:** A short prayer service reflecting on the biblical imagery for God as “light” as the sun fades behind the Olympic Mountains. **6p Wednesday, August 9, on Alki .**

**RSVP to Summer Suppers:** While Home Groups are on break for the summer, sign up to attend a meal and get to know some new friends and familiar faces in the All Souls community, including Vestry members:

**Sunday August 13** @ the March home. RSVP to: R.J. (rj@allsoulsseattle.org)

**Friday August 25** @ the Case home. RSVP to: Suzanne (suzanne@allsoulsseattle.org)

**Pint Night:** Pint nights are back for the summer! Join us at Future Primitive on **August 24th at 6p** for drinks and community time. Kids and pets are welcome to come! For any questions, contact Kelly (kelly@allsoulsseattle.org)

**Baptism in the Sound:** In anticipation of baptisms conducted at Lowman Beach on **August 27th**, interested adults and children can reach out to R.J. (rj@allsoulsseattle.org)

**Subscribe to the Summer Socials Calendar**



## Serve Together

**Get to know unhoused neighbors.** Seven days a week, unhoused neighbors gather at the West Seattle Veterans Center to eat a hot breakfast, take a shower, and do laundry. If you are interested in preparing or serving breakfast on a Thursday morning over the summer, please contact Kara (kara@) or use the QR code.



## Group Life

**Home Groups** — *gathering informally throughout the summer but starting back in October 2023*

In a world that pushes us toward isolation, we need community—a place where we're known, loved, and belong. Home Groups are one of the main ways we learn to enjoy and extend the hospitality of Christ in our neighborhoods. See page 9 or contact R.J. (rj@) to learn more and gather informally.

### Grace Groups

*NEW* — Women's Bible Study of Hebrews

August 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30th from 8-9:15p. Let Suzanne Kroleski know if you are interested: [suzanne@kroleski.com](mailto:suzanne@kroleski.com)

Grace Groups @Work

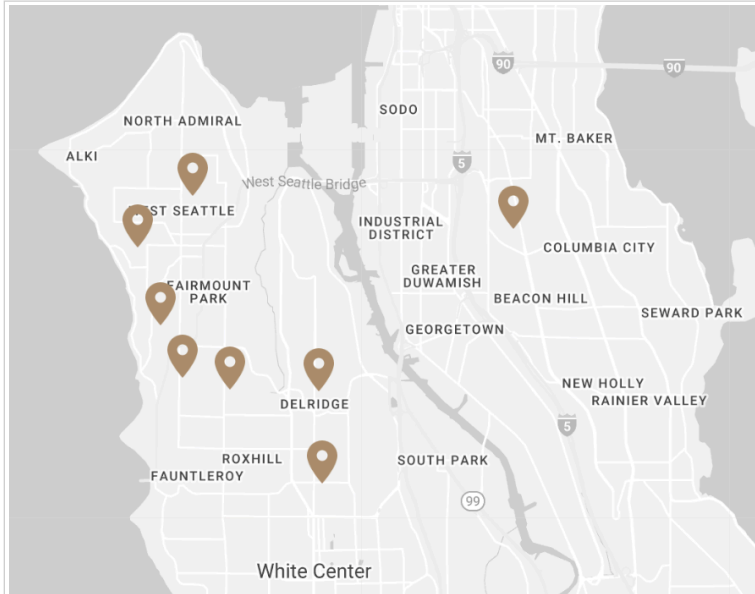
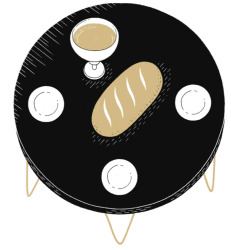
Join conversations that explore how to live more by God's grace @work. Make new connections and deepen connection with other All Souls people working in your field. Contact R.J. (rj@) to learn more.

### Youth Group

Youth group is paused for the summer. Email [suzanne@](mailto:suzanne@) for information about All Souls youth.

# Home Group Map + Details

These are open groups anyone can join at any time, built to be a place to share—food, stories, hopes, and life.



## ALASKA

Peter + Kara Barrett  
**Every other Sunday, 6-7:30p**  
indoors, mixed group of adults, kids welcome, meal included

## ARBOR HEIGHTS

Jeff + Suzanne Case  
**Every other Monday, 6-7:30p**  
indoors, mixed group of adults, kids welcome, meal included

## BEACON HILL

Janiece Jenkins and Ryan + Leah Yoke  
**Every other Sunday, 10-11:30a**  
mixed group of adults, kids welcome, meal included

## GATEWOOD - NORTH

Andrew + Jen Eckert and Steve + MaryAnn Simmons  
**Every other Thursday, 6-7:30p**  
online, mixed group of adults, kids welcome, meal included

## GATEWOOD - SOUTH

Luke + Terri Crook  
**Every other Sunday, 6-7:30p**  
mixed group of adults, meal included

## HIGHLAND PARK - NORTH

Dan + Alyssa Reeve and Jonathan + Rachel Faunce  
**Every other Monday, 6-7:30p**  
mixed group of adults, kids + teens welcome, meal included

## HIGHLAND PARK - SOUTH

R.J. + Carolyn March  
**Every other Sunday, 10-11:30a**  
mixed group of adults, kids welcome, meal included

## SEAVIEW

Dustin + Kelley Long  
**Every other Tuesday, 6-7:30p**  
mixed group of adults, kids + teens welcome, meal included

## WESTWOOD

Thad + Lauren Williams and Erik + Nicole Bennett  
**Every other Wednesday, 6-7:30p**  
mixed group of adults, kids welcome

Preview the three-part rhythm  
that guides our time together:



To connect with one of these groups,  
visit: [allsoulsseattle.org/connect](https://allsoulsseattle.org/connect)



# All Souls Kids + Youth on Sundays

Our ministry exists to help children in partnership with families to know Jesus, and experience his love.



## Sunday School

Sunday school classes are offered during worship October through June. We currently have two classes: **Lion Class** (PreK-1st grade) and **Bear Class** (2nd-5th grades)—hear them roar! Both classes meet downstairs.

**Parents:** please sign your child(ren) in prior to the start of the worship service. Sign-in sheets are located at the ASK table, just past the greeting table when you arrive.

**First time here? Welcome! All Souls Kids staff and volunteers are here to greet you and answer any questions.**

Kids will be dismissed from the service to their teachers prior to the scripture reading, and escorted to their classrooms. Teachers will bring students back to rejoin families just before the Lord's Supper.

Nursery provided for the entire worship service, ages 0-5. **Parents:** sign your little one in and out downstairs in the Giraffe (nursery) classroom.

## House Rules

In order to keep kids safe and extend hospitality toward our community and Trinity hosts, some house rules:

- Balcony, stage, and downstairs areas are closed to children and youth
- Walking feet only (no running) in the commons and hallways areas
- Adult supervision required in the sanctuary

Table activities are welcome and encouraged in the Commons! Families, please feel free to bring board games, etc. for kids during coffee hour. Encourage them to invite an adult friend to play!

## F.A.Q.

*Can I join my child in class, if they need me?*

Absolutely! Parents may accompany children to class for as long as needed.

*Can my child stay in the service with me?*

Yes! Children of all ages are welcome in the service at any time.

*What will they be learning?*

This fall we are sharing with children the immense love Jesus has for each of them, through story, song, and prayer. We will be sharing stories using *The Jesus Storybook Bible* series, as well as the Bible. Classes are designed to be engaging for all children, whether this is their first or hundredth Sunday at church!

*Is there an at-home connection?*

Yes! Each Sunday we encourage parents to ask children questions about what they learned! Perhaps these questions may help guide your discussion:

- Ask your child to retell the story from class today.
- What does this story teach you about God?
- Is there anything you'd like to ask God about this story?
- What is one thing you'd like to remember about this story?
- How is this story about you?

*How can I view your child protection policies?*  
Simple! Scan the code.



Additional questions? Contact Suzanne Case  
[suzanne@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:suzanne@allsoulsseattle.org)

## Giving as Part of Worship

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 giving goes toward ministry initiatives of All Souls and the relief of those in need.

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' 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 is intended to be worshipful. When we are generous with others we are reminding one another of the great generosity of 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, in addition to during worship, that you can contribute financially to All Souls:

- ▶ 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](https://allsoulsseattle.org/give) (ACH now available)



- ▶ For any assistance or questions about:

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*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. If you are our guest today, please feel no obligation to give.*

*We thank God for your partnership in this work, and invite you to ask him how you might best reflect his radical, sacrificial generosity with your own.*

**February Giving \$36k Spending \$53k // March Giving \$49k Spending \$61k // April Giving \$55k Spending \$58k // Net: -\$32k**

*Net is for February thru April. May numbers still pending. Spending is based on the Budget 2022/23, ending in September 2023.*

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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