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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*

Busyness is the moral equivalent of laziness. Both refuse to be intentional.

Dan Allender

# Order of Worship

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST / 12 AUGUST 2018



*Please silence all devices for  
the duration of worship*

## welcome

*standing*

## call to worship

*from Psalm 103*

Bless the Lord, O my soul  
All that is within me  
Bless His holy name

Bless the Lord, O my soul  
He who forgives you  
He who redeems you  
He who satisfies you

Bless the Lord, O my soul

Psalm 34:4-6, 8

I sought the Lord, and he answered me  
**and delivered me from all my fears.**

Those who look to him are radiant,  
**and their faces shall never be ashamed.**

This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him  
**and saved him out of all his troubles.**

**Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good!**

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

## invocation

Matthew 11:28

*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.*

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.  
Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart,  
and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

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

## Revive Us Again

We praise Thee, O God!  
For the Son of Thy love,  
For Jesus Who died, and is now gone above  
We praise Thee, O God! (2x)

*chorus:*

Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Hallelujah! Amen.  
Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Revive us again.

We praise Thee, O God!  
For Thy Spirit of light,  
Who hath shown us our Savior,  
And scattered our night.  
We praise Thee, O God! (2x)

*chorus*

All glory and praise,  
To the Lamb that was slain,  
Who hath borne all our sins,  
And hath cleansed every stain.  
We praise Thee, O God! (2x)

*chorus*

Revive us again;  
Fill each heart with Thy love;  
May each soul be rekindled  
With fire from above.  
We praise Thee, O God! (2x)

*chorus*

words: W.P. Mackay, 1863

music: N. Ryan  
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*Hymns comprise most of the worship songs at All Souls, because of their richness, doctrinal depth, and focus on God's character and redemptive work. Many hymns are patterned after the Psalms with their varied expressions of praise and thanksgiving, and, too, a wrestling with what it is to trust in a love as audacious as the Lord's. Our hope is that these hymns and prayers set to music would lead us into a dynamic encounter with our Savior, in worship.*

<sup>1</sup> It was just before the Passover Festival. Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.

<sup>2</sup> The evening meal was in progress, and the devil had already prompted Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus. <sup>3</sup> Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; <sup>4</sup> so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. <sup>5</sup> After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him.

<sup>6</sup> He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?"

<sup>7</sup> Jesus replied, "You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand."

<sup>8</sup> "No," said Peter, "you shall never wash my feet."

Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no part with me."

<sup>9</sup> "Then, Lord," Simon Peter replied, "not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!"

<sup>10</sup> Jesus answered, "Those who have had a bath need only to wash their feet; their whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you." <sup>11</sup> For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not every one was clean.

<sup>12</sup> When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. <sup>13</sup> "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup> Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup> I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. <sup>16</sup> Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. <sup>17</sup> Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## prayer of confession

Father, we come before you as people who need to be redeemed and made whole.

**We confess that we need you to heal us, for we cannot heal ourselves.**

We confess our wandering hearts.

**We pursue acceptance, prestige, wealth, control, pleasure, and relevance,  
in the hope that we might heal our hearts, and be filled.**

**But none of these can redeem us, none can make us whole.**

We confess our faithless hearts.

**We have looked for redemption everywhere but in your arms.**

**We haven't looked there, because we doubt your love for us. Forgive us.**

Gracious Father, please accept our confession and receive us gladly.

**We ask this not because we deserve it, but for the sake of Jesus,  
who has paid our penalty in full.**

*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.*

## hymn

## You Were Not My People

You hid from me, and so I called to you,  
Then you accused, and so I blessed you.  
Your heart was cold,  
so jealous was I for you,  
You had contempt, and I just held you.

You closed your ears, so I displayed for you,  
You shut your eyes, so I fed you.  
You fought but I, was patient to wait for you,  
You yelled and cried, while I clothed you.

You, you were not my people,  
but I called you my own.  
You, you had been so hateful,  
I brought you to my home.

Your mind was bent and so I sang for you,  
Your feet were bound, I untied you.

You could not speak,  
and so I taught you to,  
You were so scared, but I gently drew.

*chorus:*

You, you were not my people,  
but I called you my own  
You, you had been so hateful,  
I brought you to my home  
You, your own hands shed my blood,  
I have made you mine  
You, illegitimate, uncovered,  
now you are my child.

You spit on me, even as I kissed you,  
You struck my face, while I bathed you.  
You raged, I poured my spirit all over you  
Your crucified, and I let you *chorus*

## receiving of grace

*from Ephesians 2:4-10*

God, being rich in mercy,  
because of the great love with which he loved us  
raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,  
so that in the coming ages he might show  
the immeasurable riches of his grace  
in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

For by grace you have been saved through faith.  
And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,  
not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

For we are his workmanship,  
created in Christ Jesus for good works,  
which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

God's grace abounds for us even in our weakness.  
Let us remember the promise of the gospel: **In Christ, we are forgiven.**

## poem

## Everything is Waiting for You

David Whyte

Your great mistake is to act the drama  
as if you were alone. As if life  
were a progressive and cunning crime  
with no witness to the tiny hidden  
transgressions. To feel abandoned is to deny  
the intimacy of your surroundings. Surely,  
even you, at times, have felt the grand array;  
the swelling presence, and the chorus, crowding  
out your solo voice. You must note  
the way the soap dish enables you,  
or the window latch grants you freedom.

Alertness is the hidden discipline of familiarity.

The stairs are your mentor of things  
to come, the doors have always been there  
to frighten you and invite you,  
and the tiny speaker in the phone  
is your dream-ladder to divinity.

Put down the weight of your aloneness and ease into the  
conversation. The kettle is singing  
even as it pours you a drink, the cooking pots  
have left their arrogant aloofness and  
seen the good in you at last. All the birds  
and creatures of the world are unutterably  
themselves. Everything is waiting for you.

## hymn

## His Eye is On the Sparrow

## standing

Why should I feel discouraged,  
why should the shadows come,  
Why should my heart be lonely,  
and long for heav'n and home,  
When Jesus is my portion?  
My constant Friend is He

*chorus:*

His eye is on the sparrow,  
and I know He watches me. (2x)

"Let not your heart be troubled,"  
His tender word I hear,  
And resting on His goodness,  
I lose my doubts and fears;  
Though by the path He leadeth,  
but one step I may see *chorus*

Whenever I am tempted,  
whenever clouds arise,  
When songs give place to sighing,  
when hope within me dies,  
I draw the closer to Him,  
from care He sets me free *chorus*

*words and music:*  
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*Preschool and elementary-  
age children are dismissed  
to All Souls Kids following  
announcements, where  
they can learn and discover  
in a language and style  
more suitable to them.*



PRAYER FOR THOSE  
SEARCHING FOR TRUTH

*Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.*

PRAYER OF BELIEF

*Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.*

COMMUNION PRAYER

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

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

## word

- 1 Unless the Lord builds the house,  
those who build it labor in vain.  
Unless the Lord watches over the city,  
the watchman stays awake in vain.
- 2 It is in vain that you rise up early  
and go late to rest,  
eating the bread of anxious toil;  
for he gives to his beloved sleep.
- 3 Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord,  
the fruit of the womb a reward.
- 4 Like arrows in the hand of a warrior  
are the children of one's youth.
- 5 Blessed is the man  
who fills his quiver with them!  
He shall not be put to shame  
when he speaks with his enemies in the gate.

## 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.*

## 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.**

### 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.**

*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.*

### 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

### Break Forth O Joyful Heart

## standing

'Twas Jesus sought my wand'ring soul,  
And with a shepherd's care  
He brought me kindly to His fold,  
And still protects me there.

He is my advocate with God,  
My Savior and my friend,  
His mercies new with every morn  
Like balmy showers descend.

*chorus:*

Break forth, break forth, O joyful heart,  
Break forth, no longer silent be;  
Break forth, break forth in grateful praise  
To Him who came to ransom Thee.

*chorus*

My soul shall magnify the Lord,  
My voice His love proclaim,  
And every power within me join  
To bless and praise His name.

*chorus*

*words: Fanny Crosby,  
1881*

*music: Nathan Partain,  
2009*

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

## benediction + sending

2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **Amen.**

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

**Thanks be to God!**

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

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

### SUMMER SOCIALS

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:*

**Fri Aug 24** Youth Gathering: Pizza & Pool Party / Olympic View Swim Club / 4-8p  
RSVP to Suzanne Case ([suzanne@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:suzanne@allsoulsseattle.org))

**Thu Aug 30** Pig Roast Luau / Dillard family's home / 6-10p

### ANNUAL SUNDAY NEIGHBORHOOD PICNIC + KICKBALL TOURNNEY

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

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

### 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](mailto: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](http://allsoulsseattle.org/about) or contact A.S.K. Director Suzanne Case ([suzanne@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:suzanne@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](mailto:stefphan@allsoulsseattle.org)) or visit [westseattle.younglife.org](http://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](mailto: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:

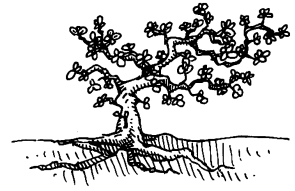
*There is a designated and semi-private area in the teachers' lounge, through the double doors in the back-left corner, for anyone during the worship service.*

*Please use this at your convenience.*

*Learn more:*  
[allsoulsseattle.org/kids](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:communitycare@allsoulsseattle.org). Thank you!

## NEIGHBORHOOD + CITY

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

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

*current opportunities:*

### › **West Seattle Young Life**

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

- Office Moms & Dads is an on-call, daytime volunteer opportunity (customizable to your schedule!) to care for foster kids that have recently been removed from their home while a social worker works hard to find a foster care placement for them. Contact Janine Krebs ([westseattleomd@gmail.com](mailto:westseattleomd@gmail.com)) to learn more and to sign up for the next volunteer training.

### › **YoungLives**

All Souls is in the early stages of a partnership with YoungLives, the ministry of Young Life to teenage moms. Our hope is to begin to invest in life-on-life mentoring with teen moms in West Seattle through entering into their lives, building relationships with them and with their little ones, modeling the unconditional love of Christ, and encouraging them to become the women and mothers God created them to be. All levels of commitment are welcome! If you have questions about this ministry, or are interested in hearing more about partnering with YoungLives, contact Rachel at [rachelpelander@gmail.com](mailto: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
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	Stefphan Gambill stefphan@allsoulsseattle.org	Sun / 4:30 - 6p	All middle schoolers welcome (invite a friend!); meets at the All Souls Loft

*Group schedules can also be found here: [allsoulsseattle.org/events](https://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](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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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