



## 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 guestions about the Christian faith?

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

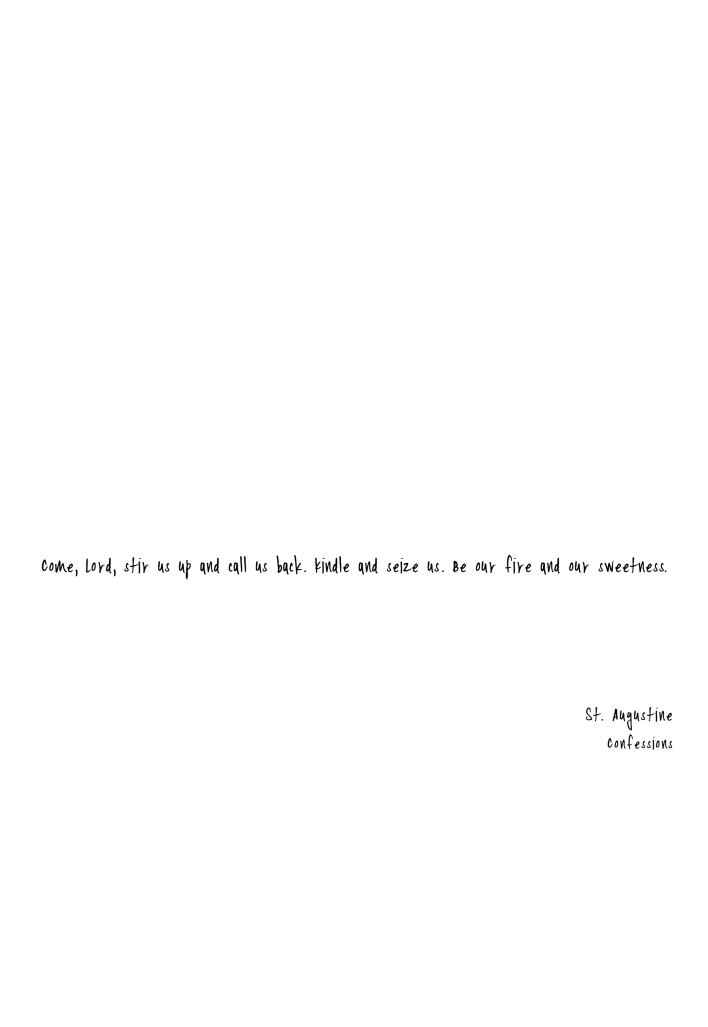
Do you struggle to reconcile a good God with a hurting world?

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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Please silence all devices for the duration of worship

### welcome

Our community gathers on Sundays to enter the presence of the Lord and offer him praise, as he graciously invites us to do. We come to sing, pray, encounter scripture, celebrate Communion, and to simply be together. We're glad you're here, and as you're getting settled we invite you to sit toward the aisle, allowing access for others along the edges. Thank you.

## standing

### call to worship

from Psalm 96

Sing to the LORD a new song; Sing to the LORD, all the earth! Sing to the LORD, bless his name; Tell of his salvation day to day.

Declare his glory among the nations, His marvelous works are worthy to be praised

adapted from Lamentations 3:22-26

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;

his mercies never come to an end;

They are new every morning;

great is your faithfulness.

Come, let us give thanks.

Come, let us worship!

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

In the Bible, God calls us to worship, because it is not our natural impulse to come to Him. But He calls, reminding us of His pursuing love, and we respond in gratitude.

invocation

from Psalm 103:8

The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

words: Charles Wesley, Martin Madan, Joseph Swain, John Cennick

> music: N. Ryan © 2014 All Souls

### hymns

Lo! He comes with clouds descending, Once for our salvation, slain;
Thousand thousand saints attending,
Swell the triumph of His train:
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
God appears on earth to reign. (2x)

Lo! He comes in glory shining
Saints arise and meet your king
Glorious captain of salvation
"Welcome welcome" hear them sing
Shouts of triumph, shouts of triumph
Make the heavens with echoes ring (2x)

### Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending

Now redemption, long expected, See in solemn pomp appear; All His saints, by man rejected, Now shall meet Him in the air: Hallelujah! Hallelujah! See the day of God appear! (2x)

Yea, amen! Let all adore Thee, High on Thine eternal throne; Savior, take the power and glory, Claim the kingdom for Thine own; O come quickly! O come quickly! Hallelujah! Come, Lord, come! (2x)

Justice Will Roll Down

O my love, you have grown so cold

To the world outside, to the house next door

She who has been loved much,

has so much to give

Mercy is the fragrance of the broken

chorus:

Justice will roll down, O justice will roll down From high upon those mountains with a mighty river's sound It will roll down, it will roll down O my child, I will be your light
In your secret pain, in the dark of night
No enemy, no conqueror,
will steal your life from me
I am your salvation, and your victory
chorus

Soon, O soon, when the trumpet sounds
Every knee shall bend,
every heart will pound
I have made a new world,
where the servant is the king
Oppression will be over,
and the slave set free

chorus

words and music by Sandra McCracken

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.

### reading + interlude

Matthew 4:1-11

1 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. 2 And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. 3 And the tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." 4 But he answered, "It is written,

"'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

<sup>5</sup> Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple <sup>6</sup> and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written,

"'He will command his angels concerning you,' and

"'On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone."

7 Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'"
 8 Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory.
 9 And he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me."
 10 Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written,

"'You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve."

11 Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

## prayer of confession

For the times we have lied to one another, and the times we have been lied to, heal us, Jesus, Savior of the world.

For the times we have laughed at another's pain and the times we have been laughed at, heal us, Jesus, Savior of the world.

For the times we have spoken when we should have remained silent, and the times we have remained silent when we should have spoken, heal us, Jesus, Savior of the world.

For the times we have not respected another's freedom to be different from us, heal us, Jesus, Savior of the world.

For the times we have betrayed a friend, and the times we have been betrayed, heal us, Jesus, Savior of the world.

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 based on Psalm 137:1 2nd stanza by Isaac Wardell

> music: "BABYLON" Jewish melody

hymn

By the Waters of Babylon

By the waters, the waters of Babylon We laid down and wept, and wept for thee, Zion We remember thee, remember thee remember thee, Zion

By his wounds, his wounds have we been healed
And for our transgressions, his passion has made us well
Let us come again and feast on him
our Lord, Emmanuel

## receiving of grace

Hebrews 10:10

We have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

This is God's gospel promise: to forgive our sins and give us eternal life by grace alone, because of Christ's one sacrifice, finished on the cross.

May the peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

### prayers of the people

standing

You hear us calling, you hear us calling, Abba Father (2x)

Lord, have mercy Christ, have mercy (2x)

We pray to you, O Lord; you hear our voice in the morning.

God of compassion,

we remember the poor and the afflicted, the sick and the dying, the prisoners and all who are lonely, the victims of war, injustice, and inhumanity, and all who suffer Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

### You hear us calling, you hear us calling, Abba Father

O Lord of providence, who holds the destiny of the nations in your hand, we pray for our country. Inspire the hearts and minds of our leaders that they, together with all our nation, may first seek your kingdom and righteousness, that order, liberty, and peace may dwell with your people.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

### You hear us calling, you hear us calling, Abba Father

O God the Creator, we pray for all nations and peoples.

Take away the mistrust and lack of understanding that divide us; increase in us the recognition that we are all your creatures, made in your image. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

#### You hear us calling, you hear us calling, Abba Father

O Savior God, look upon your church in its struggle upon the earth.

Have mercy on our weakness, bring an end to divisions, and scatter our fears.

Watch over the ministry of your church. Increase its courage, strengthen its faith, and inspire its witness to all people, even to the ends of the earth.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

### You hear us calling, you hear us calling, Abba Father

O Loving God, we offer these prayers, joining the great chorus of those who, too, sing your praise and depend on you alone.

We long for that day when all your children will live in your peace, and praise your name.

Until that day, give us sturdy patience and enduring hope, rooted only in Jesus, in whose mighty name we pray. Amen.

### Lord, have mercy Christ, have mercy (2x)

music: The Brilliance

Preschool and elementaryage children will be 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 iov 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.

word

Trust Issues | Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-9

Rev. Andy Pelander

15 The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it. 16 And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, "You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, 17 but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."

1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden'?" <sup>2</sup> And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, <sup>3</sup> but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.'" <sup>4</sup> But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. <sup>5</sup> For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." <sup>6</sup> So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup> Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

8 And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. 9 But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?"

grateful giving

Matthew 10:8

Freely you have received, freely give.

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.

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

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 have not been baptized, please speak with one of our pastors. We would be honored to baptize you.

SURSUM CORDA

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.

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Together we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

doxology

Thomas Ken 1674, Louis Bourgeois 1551

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him all creatures here below

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

benediction + sending

2 Corinthians 13:13

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

And also with you.

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

Thanks be to God!

The Sursum Corda (Latin: "Lift up your hearts") originated in the third century as an opening dialogue for God's people as they approach communion together. It encourages the church to come with thankfulness and joy to the Lord's table.

dox-ol-o-gy (from doxa, meaning glory):

An expression of praise to God emphasizing his Triune nature (Father, Son, Holy Spirit).

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.

# 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

## Gathering

### **ALL CHURCH MEETING - TODAY**

Sunday, Oct 14, following worship; drinks and snacks provided

Join us as we celebrate the Lord's ongoing work among us, review our budget, and share continued commitments as a community. All welcome; members expected. Childcare available for ages 0-5.

### **DINNER FOR SIX - THIS WEEK**

Friday, Oct 19 / neighborhood-wide

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

### INTRO TO ALL SOULS

Sundays, Oct 21-Nov 11, 12:30 - 2p / All Souls Loft

Join us for a discussion and introduction to the story, beliefs, and values of All Souls. This is for those who are curious about All Souls, and also for those pursuing membership. Pizza provided the first week; BYO lunch for the following sessions. Childcare available. Sign-up: rsvp@allsoulsseattle.org

#### JOIN A HOME GROUP

Home groups provide safe places to know and be known as we grow in relationship with ourselves, God, and one another. Each group is unique and has its own 'personality,' while they share a focus on communal life with God. Groups gather twice monthly throughout the neighborhood to share meals and spiritual conversation. See details and hosts' contact info on p.11.

## Growing

### SPIRITUAL PRACTICES CLASS

Sundays, Oct 7 - Nov 11, 9a / Madison Library

Using the book *Liturgy of the Ordinary* as a starting point, we will be considering some practical ways to reimagine life with God in daily rhythms. A variety of community members will be leading weekly.

### **MORNING PRAYER**

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

### SPIRITUAL FRIENDSHIP DISCUSSION

Thursdays, Sept 13 - Oct 18, 8:30-9:30p / March home

A six-week discussion on friendship, exploring how friendship seems to be in decline, how social media shapes friendship, what it means that Jesus invites us to call him *friend*, and how relationships in the church can have more depth than we often assume is possible. This is an opportunity to deepen current friendships as well as begin new ones (contact: rj@allsoulsseattle.org).

### A WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE

Tuesdays, Sept 25 - Nov 13, 7:30-9p / Pelander home

Are you new to the Bible, or have you wondered how it all came together and fits together; what the Bible is for, and the single story it tells? Join us on a 'journey' along scripture's unifying narrative arc, guided by Lesslie Newbigin's book, *A Walk Through the Bible*. Contact: pastor@allsoulsseattle.org.

### **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. To learn more, contact Becca Shirley (women) or Andy Pelander (men).

### 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.

## 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

### Bulletin Board

#### WE'RE HIRING!

All Souls Kids is ready to add an additional Sunday Morning Host to our team, a flexible, paid position. Please contact Suzanne Case for more information (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:

#### West Seattle Young Life

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

- Provide dinner for Young Life Club (large group gatherings)
- · Become a 'leader host' who cares and prays for a volunteer leader, even inviting them into your home/family life

### Serve and Partner with the West Seattle DSHS Foster Care Office

All Souls is actively building a relationship with the WA State Department of Social and Health Services' Delridge office. Foster care is a pivotal place to intervene upstream of many other social concerns (homelessness, addictions, etc), and opportunities to support kids and families in the foster care system are varied (toy/clothing donations, DSHS staff appreciations, etc). Please opt-in via email to receive regular updates with needs as they arise (mercy@allsoulsseattle.org).

• Office Moms & Dads is an on-call, daytime volunteer opportunity (customizable to your schedule!) to care for foster kids that have recently been removed from their home while a social worker works hard to find a foster care placement for them.

### 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 (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 <u>regularly through the academic year</u>, 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
FAIRMOUNT PARK	Jake + Emily Anderson jake.anderson486@gmail.com	Thurs / 6 - 8:30p	Mixed group of adults; includes a meal
GATEWOOD	Luke + Terri Crook terrilcrook@gmail.com	Sun / 6:30 - 8p	Mixed group of adults; occasional meals
GENESEE	Joseph + Sydney Buckley joseph@bkly.org	Sat / 10 - 11:30a	Mixed group of adults; children welcome Includes brunch
	Matt + Amy Huey amy_c_huey@yahoo.com	Mon / 6:30 - 8p	Mixed group of adults; children welcome

# 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

- Visit all souls seattle.org/give to contribute via credit card
- 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