



# 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.*



*All Souls*

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*cover photo by Jesse Penico*

There's no shade in the shadow of the cross.

Sufjan Stevens

# Order of Worship

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*Please silence all devices for  
the duration of worship*

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

## welcome

*standing*

## call to worship

*from Psalm 100*

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.  
Praise the Lord with gladness and joyful songs.  
Know that the Lord is God  
Enter his gates with thanksgiving and praise  
For the Lord is good and his love endures  
From age to age

*from the Worship Sourcebook*

All who thirst, come to the water.  
Come, all who are weary;  
    come, all who yearn for forgiveness.  
**The Holy Spirit through Jesus Christ has washed over us,  
    and our gracious and holy God beckons and blesses us.**  
Drink deeply of these living waters.  
**Glory to you, O Lord, glory to you.**

## invocation

*from 2 Samuel 22:2-4*

*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.*

The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,  
    my God, in whom I take refuge; my shield.  
I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised.

## hymns

## Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart  
Naught be all else to me save that Thou art  
Thou my best thought by day or by night  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light

Be Thou my wisdom and Thou my true Word  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord  
Thou my great Father and I Thy true son  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always  
Thou and Thou only first in my heart  
High King of heaven my treasure Thou art

High King of heaven my victory won  
May I reach heaven's joys,  
O bright heaven's sun  
Heart of my own heart whatever befall  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all

*Ancient Irish poem  
Trans. by Mary Byrne*

*Versified by Eleanor Hull*

*Traditional Irish melody*

## The Love of God

The love of God is greater far  
Than tongue or pen can ever tell;  
It goes beyond the highest star,  
And reaches to the lowest hell;  
The guilty pair, bowed down with care,  
God gave His Son to win;  
His erring child He reconciled,  
And pardoned from his sin.

*chorus:*

Oh, love of God, how rich and pure!  
How measureless and strong!  
It shall forevermore endure—  
The saints' and angels' song.

When years of time shall pass away,  
And earthly thrones and kingdoms fall,  
When men who here refuse to pray,  
On rocks and hills and mountains call,  
God's love so sure, shall still endure,  
All measureless and strong;  
Redeeming grace to Adam's race—  
The saints' and angels' song.

*chorus*

Could we with ink the ocean fill,  
And were the skies of parchment made,  
Were every stalk on earth a quill,  
And every man a scribe by trade;  
To write the love of God above  
Would drain the ocean dry;  
Nor could the scroll contain the whole,  
Though stretched from sky to sky.

*chorus*

*words and music:*

*Frederick M. Lehman, 1917*

*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.*

Near the Cross

Jesus, keep me near the cross,  
There a precious fountain—  
Free to all, a healing stream—  
Flows from Calv'ry's mountain.

*chorus:*

In the cross, in the cross,  
Be my glory ever;  
Till my raptured soul shall find  
Rest beyond the river.

Near the cross, a trembling soul,  
Love and Mercy found me;  
There the bright and morning star  
Sheds its beams around me.

*chorus*

Near the cross! O Lamb of God,  
Bring its scenes before me;  
Help me walk from day to day,  
With its shadows o'er me.

*chorus*

*words: Fanny Crosby  
music: William Doane*

scripture reading + interlude

Psalm 102:18-22, 25-28

18 Let this be recorded for a generation to come,  
so that a people yet to be created may praise the LORD:  
19 that he looked down from his holy height;  
from heaven the LORD looked at the earth,  
20 to hear the groans of the prisoners,  
to set free those who were doomed to die,  
21 that they may declare in Zion the name of the LORD,  
and in Jerusalem his praise,  
22 when peoples gather together,  
and kingdoms, to worship the LORD.  
25 Of old you laid the foundation of the earth, my God,  
and the heavens are the work of your hands.  
26 They will perish, but you will remain;  
they will all wear out like a garment.  
You will change them like a robe, and they will pass away,  
27 but you are the same, and your years have no end.  
28 The children of your servants shall dwell secure;  
their offspring shall be established before you.

*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.*

This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

*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: Thomas O. Crisholm*

*music: William M. Runyan*

## prayer of confession

Father in heaven,  
forgive us, for we have sinned against you  
in our thoughts, in our words, and in our deeds.

**We are not who we should be.**

**We are not who we want to be.**

**We are not who our friends, family members,  
neighbors, and loved ones need us to be.**

**We have been quick to speak, to defend, to judge, and to dismiss. And we have been  
slow to listen, to wonder, to love, and to admit.**

Forgive us and cleanse us, O Lord.

**And help us to joyfully and faithfully walk in your ways.**

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

## hymn

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not,  
Thy compassions they fail not,  
As Thou has been, Thou forever wilt be.

*chorus:*

Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning, new mercies I see.  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided.  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

Summer and winter,  
and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon, and stars  
in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

*chorus*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thy own dear presence  
to cheer and to guide.  
Strength for today and  
bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine,  
with ten thousand beside.

*chorus*

## receiving of grace

Psalm 130:3-4, 7-8

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sin,  
he is faithful and just to forgive  
and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness

May the peace of Christ be with you!

**And also with you!**

## prayers of the people

O Father, Son, and Spirit, you are the Author of all life.

In love, you created the whole human race and everything that surrounds us, seen and unseen. Even amid tragedy and deep brokenness you have not left us alone. You are our very present help in times of trouble; the one who “heals the brokenhearted and binds up our wounds.” But there are many who are in the depths of mourning, and we hear your call again to “weep with those who weep” and “mourn with those who mourn.” So we come to you, the One who both hears our prayers and helps us, by the power of the Spirit, to pray the things we don’t know how to articulate— the groaning too deep for words.

Lord of mercy, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

We come before you again in the midst of violence, death, and darkness.

A mass shooting in Las Vegas. Great pain and despair in Puerto Rico as the people deal with the devastating aftermath of Hurricane Maria. A firestorm in Santa Rosa and surrounding counties, leaving thousands homeless. Houston and Florida still recovering. And in our own community, the shocking violence against our sister, Sarah Hanson.

Our hearts ache as we live in a world where death and suffering exert their cruel tyranny.

Lord of mercy, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

We come lamenting widespread loss of life, taken by human or natural violence, and the countless more who have been marred, wounded, and traumatized by loss. With you, let us not be numb to, make light of, or ignore what has happened. Let us not forget those who have a long road ahead to rebuild and recover. Let us weep as you wept over Jerusalem. Jesus, comfort those who mourn today, especially those dealing with empty hearts, and empty seats around the table. Help us, your church, to show compassion and solidarity with the hurting. You have blessed us to be a blessing: raise up people and resources to help repair and rebuild.

Lord of mercy, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Make yourself known as the God of all comfort, the Lord who is abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness. May all come to know, worship, and follow you. May we all respond, in heart, to your words, Jesus: “Come to me, all you who are weary, and I will give you rest. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light, and you will find rest for your souls.”

Lord of mercy, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us. Amen.**

## hymn

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious,  
the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious,  
Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting,  
Thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice, like mountains,  
high soaring above  
Thy clouds, which are fountains  
of goodness and love.

## Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

To all, life Thou givest,  
to both great and small;  
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;  
We blossom and flourish  
as leaves on the tree,  
And wither and perish—  
but naught changeth Thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
Thine angels adore Thee,  
all veiling their sight;  
All praise we would render;  
O help us to see  
Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

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

*If you have children with you, please feel free to use this time to teach them to pray with us.*

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

## standing

*words: Walter C. Smith  
music: trad. folk tune*

*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.*

## gospel lesson

Boldness + Generosity | Acts 4:23-35

Rev. Andy Pelander

23 When they were released, they went to their friends and reported what the chief priests and the elders had said to them. 24 And when they heard it, they lifted their voices together to God and said, "Sovereign Lord, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and everything in them, 25 who through the mouth of our father David, your servant, said by the Holy Spirit,

"Why did the Gentiles rage,  
and the peoples plot in vain?  
26 The kings of the earth set themselves,  
and the rulers were gathered together,  
against the Lord and against his Anointed' —

27 for truly in this city there were gathered together against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, along with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel, 28 to do whatever your hand and your plan had predestined to take place. 29 And now, Lord, look upon their threats and grant to your servants to continue to speak your word with all boldness, 30 while you stretch out your hand to heal, and signs and wonders are performed through the name of your holy servant Jesus." 31 And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness.

32 Now the full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. 33 And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. 34 There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold 35 and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

## offering

1 Corinthians 4:7

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.*

# the Lord's table

## hymn

And can it be, that I should gain  
 an interest in the Saviour's blood?  
 Died He for me, who caused His pain?  
 For me, who Him to death pursued?  
 Amazing love, how can it be?  
 That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

*chorus:*

Amazing love, how can it be?  
 That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

## And Can it Be, That I Should Gain?

He left His Father's throne above,  
 so free, so infinite His grace;  
 Emptied Himself of all but love,  
 and bled for Adam's helpless race;  
 'Tis mercy all, immense and free;  
 for, O my God, it found out me.

*chorus*

Long my imprisoned spirit lay  
 fast bound in sin and nature's night;  
 Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray,  
 I woke, the dungeon flamed with light—  
 My chains fell off, my heart was free;  
 I rose, went forth, and followed Thee!

*chorus*

*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.*

*by Charles Wesley,  
 Thomas Campbell*

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

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

## 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.

## standing

## benediction + sending

Jude 24-25

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. **Amen.**

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

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 for  
details or directions to any of  
these gatherings, or visit  
allsoulsseattle.org/calendar.

## Gathering

### TONIGHT: LET'S LEARN TOGETHER ABOUT CARING FOR LOCAL TEEN MOMS

Sunday, Oct 22, 7-8:30p

Rachel Pelander will host an informational gathering about 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. Contact Rachel to learn more (rachelpelander@gmail.com).

### LET'S MEAT

Friday, Oct 27, 6:30p

A gathering for the fellas involving assorted smoked and grilled meats, beverages, and a fire pit, hosted by Martin Dillard; co-sponsored by the All Souls Dep't of Grub and Radness. Friends welcome; BYOB, plus a side/veg/salad to share. Contact [rsvp@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:rsvp@allsoulsseattle.org) for details.

### ALL CHURCH MEETING - NEXT WEEK

Sunday, Oct 29, immediately following worship

Join us as we review and celebrate recent months of church life together, and discuss important plans for our community this academic year. All welcome; members expected. Childcare provided.

## Growing

### GROWTH GROUPS

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 (6-8 ppl max), gender-specific group? Growth Groups are a unique and more intimate place to grow spiritually, with a committed focus on discipleship. Details and sign up / [groups@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:groups@allsoulsseattle.org)

### JOIN A HOME GROUP THIS MONTH

Beginning Oct 1, groups gather bi-weekly through mid December

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 growing in relationship with Jesus and with each other. Groups meet throughout the week and neighborhood, and include space for relation building, study and reflection, service, and prayer.

In a world that pushes us toward isolation, where we need community, home groups can become family. Please see p.11 for group meeting time, location, and contact details.

### CARE + COUNSEL

The Bible teaches that God has given us powerful tools to navigate difficulty and grapple with hard questions: the Holy Spirit, the gospel, and community. At All Souls we lean heavily on these for encouragement, direction, and life-change. So whatever it is, you should know it's okay to talk about it (relationships, sexuality, addiction, marriage/family, faith, etc.). Don't wait.

## Bulletin Board

### BABYSITTING CO-OP

New members welcome! Join our community of All Souls families who help each other with childcare and gather monthly for playdates and fun. Contact: Rachel Lanera ([DeLanera@hotmail.com](mailto:DeLanera@hotmail.com))

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

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

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

*To meet with a pastor or other  
leader confidentially, or for a  
counseling referral:  
[pastor@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:pastor@allsoulsseattle.org)*

# All Souls Kids + Nursery



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 (non-walkers) and Toddlers (1-2 yrs):** Both rooms are open through the entire worship service. 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 brought upstairs 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 Area Director Alison Bray (alisonb.yl@gmail.com).

*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:

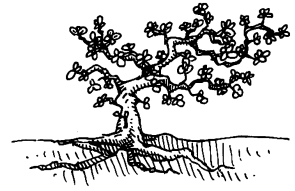
*There is a designated and semi-private area in the teachers' lounge, through the double doors in the back-left corner, for anyone during the worship service.*

*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: Charlotte Aljets ([charlotte@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:charlotte@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 Presents: The Tonight Show

*Thursday, Nov 2, 6:30p*

Join us for an evening of celebration and vision casting, at the Hall at Fauntleroy, to learn how you can partner and serve with this vital ministry to middle and high school students in the neighborhood! Contact Sarah Dillard ([sarahdillard@gmail.com](mailto:sarahdillard@gmail.com)) or visit [westseattle.younglife.org](http://westseattle.younglife.org) for details.

*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**

*Sunday, Oct 22, 7-8:30p*

Rachel Pelander will host an informational gathering about 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. 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. Home groups are a vital part of 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.

All are encouraged to prioritize Home Groups, most of which meet every other week, Sept - June. They can be joined by *anyone at anytime*, and aim to accommodate a variety of schedules, including those of families and commuters.

Groups meet every other week beginning October 1. To join or learn more about a group please contact the leader(s) directly.

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

*Time/location details for additional groups launching this fall will be posted here as they are confirmed.*

Neighborhood	Contact	Time	Notes
ADMIRAL	Graeme + Sarah Hanson s.wulf.hanson@gmail.com	Wed / 7 - 8:30p	Mixed group of adults
	Martin + Sarah Dillard sarahjdillard@gmail.com	Wed / 6:30 - 8p	Mixed group of adults; childcare provided
ALASKA	R.J. + Carolyn March rj@allsoulsseattle.org	Sun / 5 - 6:30p	Mixed group of adults; children welcome
ARBOR HEIGHTS	Jeff + Suzanne Case Matt + Nancy Spiro suzannecase3@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
RAINIER BEACH	Aaron + Prasti Purdum appurdum@gmail.com	Sun / 6 - 7:30p	Mixed group of adults; children welcome
MIDDLE SCHOOL 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/calendar](http://allsoulsseattle.org/calendar)*

# 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.

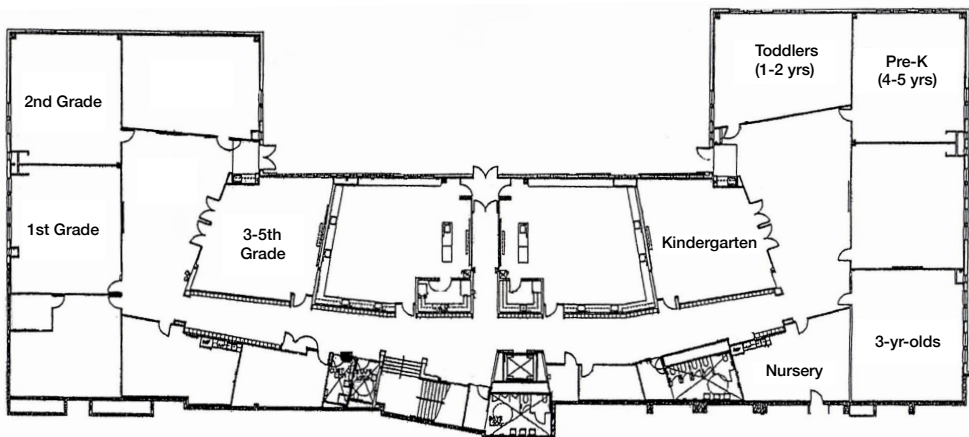
## There are few ways that you can contribute financially to All Souls.

- 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 Church  
PO Box 16613  
Seattle, WA 98116
- For any assistance or questions about:  
Giving on a recurring basis via EFT (electronic fund transfer) or stock donation, please contact Noni Wilson (bookkeeper@allsoulsseattle.org)  
Non-cash contribution options (e.g. property or vehicle donation), please contact Steve Dymale (steve@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.*

## All Souls Kids Classroom Map (downstairs)



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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