



Welcome.

All Souls, seeking to be a church not just for ourselves, exists to be a vibrant expression of who God is—gracious, present, hospitable.

Launched in 2010, we are a worshipping community rooted in the belief that the historic Christian gospel is true, compelling, and promises to change our lives powerfully, in the direction of freedom, wholeness, and hope.

We seek to embody and articulate this gospel of grace, bringing about spiritual, social, and cultural renewal in Seattle and, through it, the world.

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

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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Together we will create brave space
Because there is no such thing as a "safe space"
We exist in the real world
We all carry scars and we have all caused wounds.
In this space
We seek to turn down the volume of the outside world,
We amplify voices that fight to be heard elsewhere,
We call each other to more truth and love
We have the right to start somewhere and continue to grow.
We have the responsibility to examine what we think we know.
We will not be perfect.
This space will not be perfect.
It will not always be what we wish it to be
But
It will be our brave space together,
and
We will work on it side by side

Micky Scott-Bey Jones
"Invitation to Brave Space"

Order of Worship

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST / 27 OCTOBER 2019



Please silence all devices for the duration of worship

Bold text is read together by the congregation. Plain text is read by the leader. Responsive readings remind us that during corporate worship God speaks to his people and we respond together as a community.

standing

"Zion" is the name of a hill in Jerusalem and the word Zion has a rich meaning in the Bible describing the human longing for things to be made right. Zion is where God dwells with humanity in a restored way that was lost in the Garden of Eden, when humanity chose to rebel against God and tried to take the place of God.

Christian worship celebrates that Zion has begun to be a reality in Jesus Christ, who came, healed, cared, forgave, and rose victoriously over death. Christian worship also celebrates how Zion will become a permanent reality when Jesus returns "to wipe away every tear" and "death shall be no more" (Rev. 21:4).

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.

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.

call to worship

from Psalm 95

Come, let us sing for joy unto the Lord
Let us shout to the rock of our salvation
O, let us sing to him with thankful hearts
Shout for joy with music and song

For the Lord is a great God (2x)
In his hands are the earth, the seas (2x)

For the Lord is the great king (2x)
The seas are his, he has made them (2x)

from Joel 2; Psalm 65

O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the LORD your God;
**for he has given the early rain,
the threshing floors shall be full of grain,
the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.**

The Lord will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten;
You will eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God,
who has dealt wondrously with you.

**Praise is due to you, O God,
O you who answer prayer!**

invocation

from Psalm 84:1-2

How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!

My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.

words: *unknown*
(c. 12th century);
translated from Latin by
Francis Pott, 1861.

music: Vito Aiuto ©2012
New Jerusalem Music

hymns

The strife is o'er, the battle done;
The victory of life is won;
The song of triumph has begun:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

The powers of hell have done their worst;
But Christ their legions hath dispersed;
Let shouts of holy joy outburst:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Lord, by the stripes which wounded Thee,
From death's dread sting Thy servants free,
That we may live, and sing to Thee:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Strife is O'er

Alleluia! Alleluia!

The three sad days were quickly sped;
He rose victorious from the dead;
All glory to our risen Head!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

words: Katharina von Schelgel,
Latifah Alattas, Reid Phillips,
Dann Stockton

music: Jean Sibelius,
Latifah Alattas, Reid Phillips,
Dann Stockton, David Wilton

Be Still My Soul

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
Leave to your God to order and provide;
In every change, He will remain

Be still, my soul: your God will undertake
To guide the future, as in ages past
Your hope, your mind,
your will let nothing shake
All now mysterious shall be bright

Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on
When we shall be forever with the Lord
When disappointment, grief,
and fear are gone
Sorrow forgot, love's joys restored

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

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

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

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

reading + interlude

Luke 18:9-14

9 He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: 10 “Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. 11 The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. 12 I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.’ 13 But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ 14 I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

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.

call to confession

Jeremiah 14:10

Thus says the LORD concerning this people:

Truly they have loved to wander, they have not restrained their feet.

seated

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 renew a humble spirit in us, O Lord.

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

You are invited to acknowledge these things silently before God who hears you, and to draw hope from this promise: “Then I acknowledged my sin to you... and you forgave.” (Psa 32:5).

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.

Sin is a word that basically means to insert oneself into space only God should occupy. Martin Luther famously described sin as “curving in on oneself,” which causes a relational breach not only with the people we harm, but also with God by not giving him the place he deserves in our lives, as our loving Creator and Savior.

hymn

Our Mouths, They Were Filled (Psalm 126)

Our mouths, they were filled, filled with laughter
Our tongues, they were loosed, loosed with joy
Restore us, O Lord (2x)

Although we are weeping
Lord, help us keep sowing
The seeds of Your Kingdom
For the day You will reap them
Your sheaves we will carry
Lord, please do not tarry
All those who sow weeping will go out with songs of joy

The nations will say, "He has done great things!"
The nations will sing songs of joy
Restore us, O Lord (2x)

receiving of grace

Romans 5:1; Psalm 65:1-4

Therefore having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion,
O you who answer prayer!**

When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions.

**Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts.
We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house.**

responding to grace

from the General Thanksgiving

Let us pray in response to what God has done for us.

Lord, **we thank you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.**

**Give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts, we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving ourselves to your service,
and by walking before you in your ways, all our days. Amen.**

understanding our faith

The Nicene Creed

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

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

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

The Gloria Patri, meaning "Glory be to the Father," has been an expression of worship in the Christian tradition for well over a thousand years. It speaks of the mysterious, three-in-one nature of God and of a trust in God's present and coming kingdom.

Christians, what do you believe?

We believe in one God,

the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God,

begotten from the Father before all ages,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made; of the same essence as the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven;

he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,

and was made human.

He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried.

The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures.

He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead.

His kingdom will never end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life.

He proceeds from the Father and the Son,

and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.

He spoke through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic church.

We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look forward to the resurrection of the dead,

and to life in the world to come. Amen.

Gloria Patri

Glory be

Unto God

Father, Son

And Spirit

As it was (*glory be*)

Before time (*unto God*)

Is now and (*Father, Son*)

Ever shall be (*and Spirit*)

Glory be (*glory be*)

Unto God (*unto God*)

Father, Son (*Father, Son*)

And Spirit (*and Spirit*)

World (*glory be*)

Without end (*unto God*)

Amen (*Father, Son*)

And Amen (*and Spirit*)

*words: c. 7th century,
adapted by Evan Wilson*

music: Matt Maher

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.

common rhythms + practices

Because All Souls is a church not only for the convinced but also for those journeying toward trust in Jesus, we gladly extend room for you to consider and dialogue. Use the prayers below during Communion as guides to reflect upon and respond to what God is doing in your life.

PRAYER FOR THOSE SEARCHING FOR TRUTH

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

PRAYER OF BELIEF

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

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

Ho-sa-nna is a word that means "save me!" but came to mean "salvation is here!"

word

Rev. Andy Pelander

grateful giving

Matthew 10:8

Freely you have received; freely give.

All we have is given to us by God. Our offerings express this joyful dependence and our commitment to join God in his work of renewal. Whether we have much or little, God calls us to treasure and trust Him above all. So we are to give as generously as we are able, knowing that He who met our most dire need through Christ will continue to provide for every need we have. All gifts go toward ministry initiatives of All Souls and the relief of those in need.

If you are our guest today, please feel no obligation to give. Let us know you're here, as well as any questions, comments or prayer requests you may have, 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. As we celebrate together, prayer stations are set up on the window-side of the room, where community leaders are available to pray with or for you.

EXTEND PEACE

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

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

INVITATION + THANKSGIVING

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, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and everlasting God. We give thanks to you with those who have gone before us, and with brothers and sisters around the world, and along with the angels and all the company of heaven, we praise you by singing:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lo-rd, God of pow'r and might,
 hea - ven and ear - th are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est.
 Bless-èd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Ho-san-na in the high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

BREAK BREAD

For as often as we eat this bread and drink the cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. (1 Cor 11:23-26)

Therefore, together, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, that we may be one with all who share this feast. **As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world, for by him, with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.**

DRAW NEAR

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;

Therefore, let us keep the feast.

standing

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

Romans 8:38-39

For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

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

Thanks be to God!

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

Please note that we use wine for Communion; non-alcoholic grape juice is in the smaller of the two goblets. For those with wheat allergies, a gluten-free cracker is available in place of the bread (ingredients: water, organic brown and white rice flour).

A word to parents:
Children are welcome at the communion table. To receive the Lord's Supper, a child must have been baptized and received as a communing member by the Session of this church or the governing body of the church to which you belong. If you have any question about how this process works, please speak with one of our pastors.

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

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

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).

Connect with us via email!

The primary channel for church-wide communication at All Souls is email— periodic notes (2-4 monthly) with event and opportunity reminders and important updates, plus letters from our staff and leadership.

Send an email (right now!) to info@allsoulsseattle.org to be added, or to update your address on file, thank you.

Also, to see the full community calendar, visit allsoulsseattle.org/events.

Gathering

JOIN A HOME GROUP THIS FALL

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 gather twice monthly throughout the week and neighborhood to share meals and spiritual conversation; see p.11 for details.

YOUTH GROUP - NOW WEEKLY!

Middle and high school students meet weekly on Sundays, 5-7p to share a meal, play, and enjoy small group discussion on spiritually formative topics. Hosted at the home of Suzanne and Jeff Case in Arbor Heights; contact suzanne@allsoulsseattle.org for directions.

LUNCH + LEARN: FOSTER CARE ENGAGEMENT

Sunday, Nov 10, 11:45-12:45p / Madison MS

As All Souls seeks to support those serving the 2,000 children in foster care in our area, there is a lot for us to learn. Following worship gather to hear Christina Meyer Davis, a foster parent and liaison for Fostering Together, share about the various types of foster care and needs in our area, and answer questions. Childcare available for ages 6 & under. Please RSVP: rspv@allsoulsseattle.org

WEST SEATTLE YOUNG LIFE FALL BANQUET

Thursday, Nov 7, 6:30-9p / Our Lady of Guadalupe (3410 SW Myrtle St.)

All Souls is hosting two tables and invites you to join! Contact suzanne@allsoulsseattle.org to RSVP.

LIVING HERE: A CHURCH FAMILY DINNER TABLE CONVERSATION

Sunday, Nov 17, 5-8p / Youngstown Cultural Arts Center

Gather around the table with your All Souls family for a conversation about **enjoying and extending God’s presence in the neighborhoods we call home**. Sixth grade and up welcome to participate; limited childcare available. For more information or to RSVP: rspv@allsoulsseattle.org

Growing

MEAL KITS FOR KINSHIP CAREGIVERS

Contribute to meal kits for kinship caregivers receiving children in foster care. Each meal kit contains non-perishable items for three breakfasts, two lunches, and four dinners; a gift card to purchase perishable items; recipes and meal ideas. Meal kits will be distributed by social workers at the Department of Children, Youth, and Family in Delridge. Between now and Nov 10, purchase a full kit for \$130, half kit for \$65, or individual meal(s) for \$15: allsoulsseattle.org/give (memo: meal kits)

CURIOUS ABOUT CHRISTIAN FAITH?

Do you wonder if God is real, or what his posture toward you might be? Do you wrestle with intellectual barriers to belief, or wonder how God could be good or loving amid so much pain in the world? Are you curious about how to connect with God— how to talk to him or listen to him? If yes, you’re not alone— and a community leader would happily talk with you and/or hear your story. Contact Charlotte Aljets to get connected with a conversation partner (charlotte@allsoulsseattle.org).

LEARN + SERVE

One of the marks of Christian maturity and growth is moving from being self-centered to others-centered. More curious about someone else’s questions, experiences, hopes. Toward that end, we are trying something new as a community— this year, All Souls staff will curate events and experiences that help us to learn from and serve among our **Native American and First Nations neighbors**. How might we, together, discover who God is in fresh ways this year as we engage with the Native American experience in our city? Visit allsoulsseattle.org/native for 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. To meet with a pastor or other leader confidentially, or for a counseling referral: pastor@allsoulsseattle.org

How do we desire to be ‘formed,’ spiritually?

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

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

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 presence and role of kids and students 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 with childcare providers 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 with classroom teachers when you drop-off and pick-up.
- ▶ **1st, 2nd/3rd Grades, and 4th/5th Grades:** 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. 1st grade students are dismissed by their teachers to rejoin their families after worship. 2nd-5th grade students are brought up by teachers to rejoin 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!

We are excited about the opportunity for youth to be together consistently, and grow spiritually through a gospel-focused, relational, service-oriented ministry. Our hope is that students will feel welcomed and enjoyed by each other and leaders, and ultimately by our Savior, Jesus.

- ▶ **Youth Group:** Students meet weekly on **Sundays, 5-7p** to share a meal, play, and enjoy small group discussion on spiritually formative topics. Hosted at the home of Suzanne and Jeff Case in Arbor Heights; contact suzanne@allsoulssseattle.org for directions.
- ▶ **Sunday mornings:** Students are invited to gather weekly to connect and meet leaders before worship. They are invited also to serve in various capacities during worship, or to remain with family, friends, or youth leaders during the service. *Today: Pray + Play in the Madison Gym, 10a*
- ▶ **Upcoming: Adventure night!** October 27, 5-7p Glow Games at Hiawatha Park. Meet at the All Souls Loft for dinner and then we will walk down to the park.

Additionally, **Young Life** has many opportunities for youth to connect, and to explore the gospel. To learn more, ask one of our student ministries staff or visit westseattle.younglife.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 field behind the building. Parents should exit onto the terrace through the doors on the right side of the stage and meet children on the field to sign out their kids with teachers.

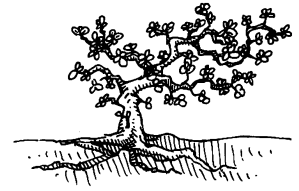
Parents:

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:
allsoulssseattle.org/kids

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 (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!
- › **All Souls Kids** - Modeling and sharing the gospel to/with children is one of the more impactful ways one can serve. There are consistent needs in classrooms serving ages 2 through 5th grade, and your help is needed! The commitment is only one Sunday a month, and training and materials are provided— no experience necessary! Contact: Suzanne Case (suzanne@).

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:

› **Serve + Partner with Foster Care**

All Souls seeks to come alongside, serve, and support families, organizations, and agencies helping children in foster care in the West Seattle area. We heed the call from James 1:27 to "look after orphans and widows in their distress."

- Wed, Nov 20, 11a-2p / DCYF Office (4045 Delridge Way SW)— meet local social workers and learn about local needs by attending the Office of Indian Child Welfare's Open House & Potluck
- Sat, Dec 7, 4-7p / Foster Family Holiday Celebration (11659 1st Ave S, Seattle, WA 98168)— serve foster families by providing childcare for children in foster care during a holiday celebration hosted by Beverly Park Baptist Church. Contact suzanne@allsoulsseattle.org to sign-up.
- Wed, Dec 11, 11a-2p / DCYF Office (4045 Delridge Way SW)— bless local social workers and learn more about the needs of our community by serving at the annual Department of Children, Youth and Family holiday staff appreciation lunch. Volunteers needed to pick-up and drop-off food, decorate, set-up, and clean-up. Contact nancyspiro@gmail.com

› **YoungLives**

YoungLives, the ministry of Young Life to teenage moms, invests in life-on-life mentoring with teen moms through entering into their lives, building relationships with them and their little ones, modeling the unconditional love of Christ, and encouraging them to become the women and mothers God created them to be. There are a variety of ways to serve and many levels of commitment are welcome! To learn more, contact Alyssa Reeve (alyssa@allsoulsseattle.org).

- Cook a meal for the YL Monday night gatherings for moms, little ones, and mentors (HG or GG service opportunity!)
- Donate a blanket (\$35): give via allsoulsseattle.org/give (memo: YoungLives blanket)
- Donations baby supplies: NEW convertible carseats, Ikea stackable high chairs, diapers (sizes 4-6), and wipes

Smaller Groups in Community

GROWTH GROUPS

To grow spiritually, each of us needs consistent time praying and listening with God and others. Growth Groups gather weekly for gender-specific deeper spiritual exploration and prayer, and are a more intentional and intimate place to focus on life with God. Also, as those who've participated will attest, these groups foster a unique depth of relationship with others. There are groups that are ongoing and some that are still forming, with a variety of meeting times and locations. To learn more and connect, contact Shannon Smith (shannon@allsoulsseattle.org).

HOME GROUPS

In a world that pushes us toward isolation, we need community— a place where we're known, loved, and belong.

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.

Generally, groups meet to discuss scripture, share stories, pray, plan service projects/relationships, and share meals.

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 R.J. March, or a group host(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
ADMIRAL	Andy Lewis + Ruth Rogers Lewis ruthrogerslewis@comcast.net	Wed / 7 - 8:30p
ALASKA	Peter + Kara Barrett kara@allsoulsseattle.org	Sun / 5 - 6:30p <i>includes a meal and childcare</i>
ARBOR HEIGHTS	Jeff + Suzanne Case suzannecase3@gmail.com	Tues / 6 - 7:30p <i>includes a meal</i>
	Matt + Nancy Spiro Nicholas + Alyssa Incorvaia nancyspiro@gmail.com	Tues / 6 - 7:30p <i>includes a meal</i>
COLUMBIA CITY	Daniel + Shiyun Chen danielandshiyun@gmail.com	Sun / 5 - 6:30p <i>includes a meal</i>
GENESEE	Joseph + Sydney Buckley joseph@bkly.org	Sat / 10 - 11:30a <i>includes brunch</i>
	Matt + Amy Huey amy_c_huey@yahoo.com	Mon / 6:30 - 8p
HIGHLAND PARK	Nate + Lori Bailey hi.loribailey@gmail.com	Thurs / 6:30 - 8p <i>includes a meal</i>
	R.J. + Carolyn March rj@allsoulsseattle.org	Sun / 5 - 6:30p <i>includes a meal and childcare</i>

group information can also be found at allsoulsseattle.org/connect

Giving as part of worship

While there are many ways to contribute financially to God's Kingdom, scripture says the Church is the primary means by which that kingdom is established on earth. So, God calls us first and foremost to be faithful in the regular, ongoing support of one's local church body through tithes and offerings. If you haven't made tithing a practice, please consider adopting this as a spiritual practice— that you might grow in faith.

We recognize, too, that as the church, we must consistently remind one another of the truth that everything we have is a gift from the Lord.

The Bible says that 'we know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for our sake he became poor, so that we through his poverty might become rich' (2 Corinthians 8:9). Jesus'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 a 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 allsoulsseattle.org/give
- 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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If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more:

⁷ But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— ¹⁰ that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹² Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 3:4b, 7-14