



# 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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*cover photo from Seattle Municipal Archives*

Upon suffering beyond suffering; the Red Nation shall rise again and it shall be a blessing for a sick world. A world filled with broken promises, selfishness and separations. A world longing for light again.

I see a time of seven generations when all the colors of mankind will gather under the sacred tree of life and the whole Earth will become one circle again.

crazy Horse's last prophecy

# Order of Worship

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST / 17 NOVEMBER 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.

## 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 Luke 1:46-49*

My soul magnifies the Lord  
My spirit rejoices in God  
My soul magnifies the Lord, my Savior (2x)

For he has done great things,  
For he has done great things for me. (2x)

*from Psalm 145:3-5*

Great is the Lord, **and worthy to be praised,  
his greatness is unsearchable.**

One generation shall commend your works to another,  
**and shall declare your mighty acts.**

On the glorious splendor of your majesty,  
**and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.**

## invocation

Psalm 98:4

*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.*

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

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! (2x)

words and music by  
Sandra McCracken

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.

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

## Justice 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

17 "See, I will create  
 new heavens and a new earth.  
 The former things will not be remembered,  
 nor will they come to mind.  
 18 But be glad and rejoice forever  
 in what I will create,  
 for I will create Jerusalem to be a delight  
 and its people a joy.  
 19 I will rejoice over Jerusalem  
 and take delight in my people;  
 the sound of weeping and of crying  
 will be heard in it no more.  
 20 "Never again will there be in it  
 an infant who lives but a few days,  
 or an old man who does not live out  
 his years; the one who dies at a hundred  
 will be thought a mere child;  
 the one who fails to reach a hundred  
 will be considered accursed.  
 21 They will build houses and dwell in them;  
 they will plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

22 No longer will they build houses  
 and others live in them,  
 or plant and others eat.  
 For as the days of a tree,  
 so will be the days of my people;  
 my chosen ones will long enjoy  
 the work of their hands.  
 23 They will not labor in vain,  
 nor will they bear children  
 doomed to misfortune;  
 for they will be a people blessed by the Lord,  
 they and their descendants with them.  
 24 Before they call I will answer;  
 while they are still speaking I will hear.  
 25 The wolf and the lamb will feed together,  
 and the lion will eat straw like the ox,  
 and dust will be the serpent's food.  
 They will neither harm nor destroy  
 on all my holy mountain," says the Lord.

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## prayer of confession

Lord, we confess that this week, and even today:

- We have given more weight to our successes and our happiness than to your will.**
- We have feared for our own resources instead of looking to you in your abundance.**
- We have spoken without an effort to understand.**
- We have judged others, forgetful that you alone are the Judge.**
- We have built up ourselves without a thought to building up others.**
- We have acted in accordance with our opinions and neglected your ways of life—**

Lord, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Create in us clean hearts. **Enlarge our hearts that we may run 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).*

*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.*

## 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.*

*Sin is a word that basically means to insert oneself into space only God should occupy. Martin Luther described sin as a "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.*

words: early Eastern Christian  
liturgy, arr. Evan Wilson

music: EBENEZER, Thomas  
John Williams (1890)

“Kyrie eleison” is a  
Greek phrase meaning  
“Lord, have mercy.”  
It is one of the Church’s  
oldest prayers.

## hymn

Kyrie Eleison

Lord, have mercy  
Christ have mercy  
Lord, have mercy on me (2x)  
Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison  
Christ have mercy on me  
Lord, have mercy  
Christ, have mercy  
Christ, have mercy on me

## receiving of grace

*from* Isaiah 55:6-7; Romans 5:8

Seek the LORD while he may be found; call on him while he is near.  
Let us forsake wicked ways and evil thoughts.  
Let us turn to the LORD, and he will have mercy on us,  
and to our God, for he will freely pardon.

God demonstrates his own love for us in this:

**While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.**

God’s grace abounds for us even in our weakness.

Let us remember the hope of the gospel: **In Christ, we are forgiven.**

## 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.**

## receiving of new members

*Formal church membership is not something explicitly addressed by Scripture, much because those among the early Christian movement had no need for anything structural to encourage them to bind themselves to each other in every available way.*

*But we encourage membership, because we believe it's a good thing— good to make commitments to stick with one community and call it 'home.' And because it fights against our natural tendency to approach the spiritual life merely as consumers or on an individual basis. Becoming a member also gives you rights and privileges not enjoyed by non-members (e.g. expanded leadership opportunities and voice in shaping All Souls' vision and future). But we want people to be convinced in their own minds and hearts about the benefits of membership.*

*It's often asked whether one can become a member of All Souls even if he/she may not agree with every theological position or practice. The simple answer: Yes. Only the vows below, affirmed with integrity, are required for membership.*

### *Profession of faith:*

Do you acknowledge yourself to be a sinner in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope except through His sovereign mercy?

Do you believe in the Lord Jesus as the Son of God and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the gospel?

Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes a follower of Christ?

Do you promise to support the Church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?

Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the Church, and do you promise to strive for its purity and peace?

Brian King	Sonya Luchauer	Lisa Pratt
Karelisa King	Evan Phillips	Kelly Smith
Eric Luchauer	Verity Phillips	Parker Smith

## hymn

Trinity Song

standing

Holy Father, Son, and Spirit  
Holy Communion, Three in One

Come with your peace, with your invitation  
Bind us together in holy love

words and music by  
Sandra McCracken

*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

grateful giving

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.

Matthew 10:8

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*

hymn

Great Rejoicing

There's gonna be a great rejoicing (2x)

The troubles of this world  
will wither up and die

That river of tears made by the lonely  
someday will be dry

There's gonna be a great rejoicing

There's gonna be a great joy river (2x)

Questions of this world  
someday will be known

Who's robbing you of peace  
and who's the giver

There's gonna be a great joy river

There's gonna be a great rejoicing (2x)

Someday you will find me  
guarded in His fortress

Open heart and wings  
that rise up from the ground

Someday we will gather  
in a grand reunion

Debts of this old world  
are nowhere to be found  
They're nowhere to be found

There's gonna be a great rejoicing (2x)

benediction + sending

2 Corinthians 13:14

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

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

**Thanks be to God!**

*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.*

*words and music by  
Thad Cockrell*

*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](mailto: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](http://allsoulsseattle.org/events).

# Gathering

**LIVING HERE: A CHURCH FAMILY DINNER TABLE CONVERSATION - TONIGHT**

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.

**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](mailto:suzanne@allsoulsseattle.org) for directions.

# Growing

**CURIOS 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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:pastor@allsoulsseattle.org)

# 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. Contact: Kat Libolt ([katlibolt@gmail.com](mailto:katlibolt@gmail.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.*

# 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](mailto: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.

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](http://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.

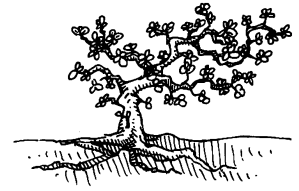
### Parents:

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

*group information can also be found at [allsoulsseattle.org/connect](http://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](http://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](mailto:bookkeeper@allsoulsseattle.org)

*The intentional financial participation of those who consider All Souls their church home is vital. If you are not already tithing regularly, please prayerfully consider doing so.*

*If you have questions about tithing or biblical guidelines for giving, please ask.*

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4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. 5 Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; 6 do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

8 Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. 9 What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

10 I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. 11 Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. 12 I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need.

Philippians 4:4-12