



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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Every block of stone has a statue inside it and it is the task of the sculptor to discover it. I saw the angel in the marble and carved until I set him free.

Michelangelo

Order of Worship

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST / 24 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.

standing

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 Revelation 1:7-8

Look! He is coming with the clouds
and every eye shall see him
Look! He is coming with the clouds
so shall it be! Amen

"I am the Alpha and Omega,"
says the Lord God.
"Who is and who was
and who is to come."

from Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.

God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved.

Hear him say:

"Be still, and know that I am God."

invocation

Psalm 98:4

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

*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.*

words: Rory Cooney
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(adapted from Luke 1:46-58)

music: *Star of the County Down*
(Irish traditional folk song)

hymns

My soul cries out with a joyful shout
that the God of my heart is great,
And my spirit sings of the wondrous things
that you bring to the one who waits.
You fixed your sight on the servant's plight,
and my weakness you did not spurn,
So from east to west shall my name be blest.
Could the world be about to turn?

chorus:

My heart shall sing of the day you bring.
Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears,
For the dawn draws near,
And the world is about to turn.

Though I am small, my God, my all,
you work great things in me.
And your mercy will last
from the depths of the past
to the end of the age to be.
Your very name puts the proud to shame,
and those who would for you yearn,
You will show your might,
put the strong to flight,
for the world is about to turn.

chorus

The Lord is King! Lift up your voice,
O earth and all ye heav'ns rejoice!
From world to world, the joy shall ring.
'The Lord omnipotent is King!'

chorus:

Sing his praise, sing his praise.
Lord of lords, Ancient of Days;
Sing his praise, sing his praise,
All your days, all your days.

Canticle of the Turning

From the halls of power
to the fortress tower,
not a stone will be left on stone.
Let the king beware for your justice
tears every tyrant from his throne.
The hungry poor shall weep no more,
for the food they can never earn;
There are tables spread,
ev'ry mouth be fed,
for the world is about to turn.

chorus

Though the nations rage
from age to age,
we remember who holds us fast:
God's mercy must deliver us
from the conqueror's crushing grasp.
This saving word that our forbears heard
is the promise that holds us bound,
'Til the spear and rod
be crushed by God,
who is turning the world around.

chorus

The Lord is King

The Lord is King! Who then shall dare
Resist his will, distrust his care,
Or murmur at his wise decrees,
Or doubt his royal promises?

chorus

The Lord is King! Bow down you must;
The Judge of all the earth is just;
Holy and true are all his ways;
Let ev'ry creature sing his praise.

chorus

words: Josiah Conder, 1824
music: Nathan Partain, 2003
arr. Bruce Benedict, 2008

*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.*

33 And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. 34 And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. 35 And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" 36 The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine 37 and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" 38 There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

39 One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" 40 But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? 41 And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." 42 And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." 43 And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise."

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

prayer of confession

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

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 and music by

Isaac Wardell,
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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

Colossians 1:13-14; Roman 8

Hear the good news:

God has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Who is in a position to condemn?

**Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us,
Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.
Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.**

*Go therefore and make
disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name
of the Father and of the
Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

*And I will establish my
covenant between me and
you and your offspring
after you throughout their
generations for an
everlasting covenant, to be
God to you and to your
offspring after you.*

*For the promise is for you
and for your children and
for all who are far off,
everyone whom the Lord
our God calls to himself.*

*Believe in the Lord Jesus,
and you will be saved, you
and your household.*

**Matthew 28:19;
Genesis 17:7;
Acts 2:39; 16:31**

** from liturgy of the
French Reformed Church*

the sacrament of baptism

Sophie Rose March

*For you, Sophie, the Spirit of God moved over the waters at creation,
and the Lord God made covenants with his people.*

*It was for you that the Word of God became flesh
and lived among us, full of grace and truth.*

John 1:14

*For you, Sophie, Jesus Christ suffered death
crying out at the end, "It is finished!"*

John 19:20

*And for you Christ triumphed over death,
rose in newness of life, and ascended to rule over all.*

*All of this was done for you, Sophie, though you do not know any of this yet.
But we will continue to tell you this good news until it becomes your own.*

And so the promise of the gospel is fulfilled:

*"We love because God first loved us." **

1 John 4:19

To the parents:

Do you acknowledge that your child is created in God's image, and a gift from him to both you and the world?

Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?

Do you claim God's covenant promises in her behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for her salvation, as you do for your own?

Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before her a godly example, that you will pray with and for her, that you will teach her the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring her up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

To the congregation:

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting in the Christian nurture of this child?

congregational prayer

adapted from the Book of Common Prayer

standing

Lord Jesus Christ, who embraces children with the arms of mercy, and makes them living members of your Church, give Sophie grace to stand fast in your faith, to cherish and obey your word, and to abide in your love. Being made strong by your Holy Spirit, may she, our sister, resist temptation and overcome evil, rejoice in the life that is now, and dwell with you in the life that is to come; through your merits, O merciful Savior, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, world without end. Amen.

hymn

Trinity Song

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

community rhythms + practices

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.

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:

Musical score for the hymn 'Ho-san-na in the high-est.' The score is written in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a common time signature (C). It consists of four staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: '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

We Abide, We Abide in You

We are the vineyard You have planted
Tend our leaves and wild branches:
we abide, we abide in You.
We abide, we abide in You.

Fruit growing from our strength and labor,
rain on us with grace and favor:
we abide, we abide in You.
We abide, we abide in You.

chorus:

Where can my soul find living water?
Apart from You we bear no fruit!
O plant my feet down by the river:
we abide, we abide in You.

chorus

benediction + sending

Colossians 1:11-12

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. **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.

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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

LIVING HERE: A CHURCH FAMILY DINNER TABLE CONVERSATION

Many of us gathered together for a family style dinner last week to imagine the next ten years as All Souls. If you couldn't make it, we would like to include you in what was discussed and shared. Listen to the recordings and learn more at allsoulsseattle.org/parish.

ADVENT WREATH MAKING

Sunday, Dec 1, 4-6p / the Reeve home / [rsvp: alyssa@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:rsvp:alysa@allsoulsseattle.org)

As we enter this Advent season, we hope your imagination will be stirred as we anticipate the light that Christ brings. Come join us as we make Advent wreaths + candles that will bring light into our homes during this season of waiting. As an All Souls community we'll read, sing, create and reflect.

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.

Growing

WARM SPRINGS SUMMER SERVICE TRIP IS BOOKED!

All Souls is returning to Oregon this summer June 27-July 4 to serve the Warm Springs tribe, alongside Sacred Road Ministries. We hope to send a team of 20 adults and youth, ages 13 & older. It's not too early to plan! Contact Suzanne Case for more information and to secure your spot.

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).

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

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)

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.

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.

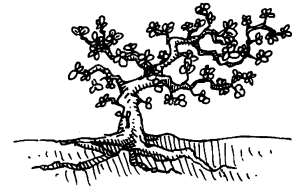
Parents:

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."

- 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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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. 13 I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

19 And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. 20 To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

20 All the saints greet you, especially those of Caesar's household.

23 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

Phil 4:10-13, 19-20, 23