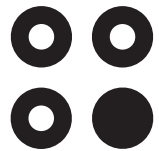




JOY



ADVENT 2017

Welcome.

All Souls is a church in and for the city, and exists to be a vibrant expression of who God is—gracious, present, hospitable.

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

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

As a church, we are part of that historical, counter-cultural community that Jesus started and continues to build, sustain, and perfect.

Anyone is welcome in worship, and we encourage you to come as you are. We understand that visiting a church for the first time can be intimidating. So it's our commitment to walk you through each component of the worship service so no one feels like an outsider. There will be no obscure, tribal language. No 'in-house' moments.

Our worship is structured, with liturgy and rich music that connects us to the church of old and those who've gone before us—we are deeply rooted in something much larger than ourselves or our own cultural moment. But worship should be accessible and enjoyable if it's to be meaningful.

You should always feel the freedom to participate actively in worship or to just listen and observe at your discretion. It is a time to process freely and safely the audacious claims of Jesus, and the inevitable tension between the beauty and scandal of the historic Christian gospel.

We haven't heard the gospel for what it really is if we don't find it at once horribly offensive and staggeringly beautiful. It is both heart-breaking and heart-mending.

So let us explore. *Let us worship.*



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Tradition is not the worship of ashes, but the preservation of fire.

Gustav Mahler

Order of Worship

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT | 17 DECEMBER 2017



*Please silence all devices for
the duration of worship*

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

standing

welcome

call to worship

Joy, joy to the world, joy!
'Glory to God in the highest heaven,
And on earth peace to those on whom his favor finds rest.'

lighting the advent candle

based on Isaiah 9:2, 49:6

*Each Sunday in Advent, we light a candle on this wreath as a sign of the coming light of
Christ, the hope that breaks apart the darkness and rescues the world.*

Hear the word of the Lord:

The people walking in darkness have seen a great light;
**on those living in the land of deep darkness
a light has dawned.**

The Lord says, 'You will do more than restore the people of Israel to me.

**I will make you a light to the Gentiles,
and you will bring my salvation
to the ends of the earth.'**

invocation

from Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Rank on rank the host of heaven / Spreads its vanguard on the way,
As the Light of light descendeth / From the realms of endless day,
That the powers of hell may vanish / As the darkness clears away

*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.*

*Advent—a word that means
'coming' or 'arrival'—is a
season when the church
celebrates and anticipates
the coming of Jesus at
Christmas.*

*The Christmas season is
mostly celebrated as a
joyful, happy occasion (and
for good reason). But it's
also a good season to
remember the longing, the
desperation, and the
darkness in which the world
first awaited a Savior, and
even now awaits his return.*

hymns

Joy

based on Luke 2:8-14

And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby
Keeping watch over their flocks at night
An angel of the Lord appeared to them
And the glory of the Lord shone around them
And they were terrified, But the angel said to them
Do not be afraid. I bring you good news.

chorus

Of great joy that will be for all people
Joy that will be for all people,
Today in the town of David,
A savior has been born to you.
He is Christ the Lord.
He is Christ the Lord.

*This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths
And lying in a manger. Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host
Appeared with the angel, praising God and saying:*

Glory to God in the highest
Glory to God in the highest
Glory to God in the highest
And on earth peace to men
On whom his favor rests

Angels We Have Heard on High

words: James Chadwick

music: Edward Barnes

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plains
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their joyous strains

chorus

Gloria... in excelsis Deo
Gloria... in excelsis Deo

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
Which inspire your heavenly song?

Come to Bethlehem and see
Christ whose birth the angels sing,
Come, adore on bended knee,
Christ the Lord, the newborn King

chorus

See Him in a manger laid:
Whom the choirs of angels praise!
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,
While our hearts in love we raise.

music: Jason Houser
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Hymns comprise most of the worship songs at All Souls, because of their richness, doctrinal depth, and focus on God's character and redemptive work. Many hymns are patterned after the Psalms with their varied expressions of praise and thanksgiving, and, too, a wrestling with what it is to trust in a love as audacious as the Lord's. Our hope is that these hymns and prayers set to music would lead us into a dynamic encounter with our Savior, in worship.

hymn

O Come, Messiah, Come

words and music:
Isaac Wardell

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Oh come! Oh come Messiah!
Oh come our Alleluia!
Oh sing! Oh sing Hosannah!
Oh come! Messiah come!

Comfort and joy, Alpha, Omega He.
Sorrow and toil, no longer rulers be.

Oh come! Oh come Messiah!
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Oh sing! Oh sing Hosannah!
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scripture reading

Isaiah 40:25-31

25 To whom then will you compare me,
that I should be like him?
says the Holy One.
26 Lift up your eyes on high and see:
who created these?
He who brings out their host by number,
calling them all by name,
by the greatness of his might,
and because he is strong in power
not one is missing.
27 Why do you say, O Jacob,
and speak, O Israel,
“My way is hidden from the Lord,
and my right is disregarded by my God”?

28 Have you not known?
Have you not heard?
The Lord is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.
He does not faint or grow weary;
his understanding is unsearchable.
29 He gives power to the faint,
and to him who has no might he
increases strength.
30 Even youths shall faint and be weary,
and young men shall fall exhausted;
31 but they who wait for the Lord shall
renew their strength; they shall mount
up with wings like eagles;
they shall run and not be weary;
they shall walk and not faint.

It has been the practice of the church for thousands of years to have portions of the Bible read during worship. We do this because we are people who need to be shaped by all of God's Word.

Musical interludes are included in our service in order to provide space for reflection and worship.

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

sequed

Confession of sin happens within the context of relationship, both with God and each other. We confess together, in community, before a gracious God who has given us himself. Confession both acknowledges our need for mercy and celebrates its abundance in Christ.

*words: liturgy of St. James
trans. from Greek to English
by Gerard Moultrie*

prayer of confession

Lord Jesus, we look with hope to the day when grief, sorrow, sin, and death are no more. For when you return, you've promised the end of sickness, weakness, anxiety, injustice, and failing strength. In you, we will be made whole.

Lord Jesus, we will see you, and our souls will overflow with joy and praise.

Here, now, we see things darkly, and our hope is obscured by the suffering around us and the sinful longings of our own hearts. **We prefer comfort to holiness, and we cling to temporary, material things, rather than your eternal promises.**

Give us a hunger for heaven by opening our eyes to how far we are from home.

Give us wisdom to find our satisfaction in the gospel, and to cling to you alone.

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

hymn

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Let all mortal flesh keep silence
And with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly minded,
For with blessing in His hand,
Christ our God to earth descendeth,
Our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,
As of old on earth He stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture,
In the body and the blood;
He will give to all the faithful,
His own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven,
Spreads its vanguard on the way,
As the Light of light descendeth,
From the realms of endless day,
That the powers of hell may vanish,
As the darkness clears away.

At His feet the six winged seraph,
Cherubim with sleepless eye,
Veil their faces to the presence,
As with ceaseless voice they cry:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia Lord Most High!

receiving of grace

1 Peter 2:24

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

Hear and know that you are forgiven, and be at peace. **Thanks be to God.**

understanding our faith

from New City Catechism

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

New City Catechism is based on and adapted from Calvin's Geneva Catechism, the Westminster Shorter and Larger Catechisms, and especially the Heidelberg Catechism, giving solid exposure to varied riches and insights across the spectrum of the great Reformation-era catechisms (16th century).

** Questions 1, 2, 20, 24, 29, 50*

Q: What is our only hope in life and death?

A: **That we are not our own but belong to God.**

Q: What is God?

A: **God is the creator of everyone and everything.**

Q: Who is the Redeemer?

A: **The only Redeemer is the Lord Jesus Christ.**

Q: Why was it necessary for Christ, the Redeemer, to die?

A: **Christ died willingly in our place to deliver us from the power and penalty of sin and bring us back to God.**

Q: How can we be saved?

A: **Only by faith in Jesus Christ and in his substitutionary atoning death on the cross.**

Q: What does Christ's resurrection mean for us?

A: **Christ triumphed over sin and death so that all who trust in him are raised to new life in this world and to everlasting life in the world to come.***

hymn

Come, People of the Risen King

Come people of the risen King
Who delight to bring Him praise
Come all and tune your hearts to sing
To the Morning Star of grace
From the shifting shadows of the earth
We will lift our eyes to Him
Where steady arms of mercy reach
To gather children in

chorus:

Rejoice, Rejoice
Let every tongue rejoice
One heart one voice
O Church of Christ rejoice

Come those whose joy is morning sun
And those who weep through the night
Come those who tell of battles won
And those struggling in the fight
For His perfect love will never change
And mercies never cease
But follow us through all our days
With certain hope of peace

chorus

Come young and old from every land
Men and women of the faith
Come those with full or empty hands
Find the riches of His grace
Over all the world His people sing
Shore to shore we hear them call
The Truth that cries through every age
Our God is all in all

chorus

words: Stuart Townend

*music: Nathan A. Ryan
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Preschool and elementary-age children are dismissed to All Souls Kids following announcements, where they can learn and discover in a language and style more suitable to them.

PRAYER FOR THOSE
SEARCHING FOR TRUTH

Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life.

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

PRAYER OF BELIEF

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

COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord Jesus, your perfect life, your death, and your resurrection are the source of all blessing in this life and the life to come. As I eat this bread and drink this cup, renew me in the joy and glory of knowing and serving you. I come to this table on the basis of your merit only and not my own. As you have completely and fully offered yourself for me, I now completely and fully offer myself to you as a living sacrifice. Amen.

Allergen-free communion elements (wafer ingredients: organic brown and white rice flour) are available at the center of the communion table. To partake, please dip in either the wine (larger cup) or grape juice and proceed through the line.

gospel lesson

‘the wolf shall dwell with the lamb’ | Isaiah 11:1-10

Rev. Andy Pelander

- 1 There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit.
- 2 And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.
- 3 And his delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear,
- 4 but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.
- 5 Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins.
- 6 The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together; and a little child shall lead them.
- 7 The cow and the bear shall graze; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.
- 8 The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den.
- 9 They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.
- 10 In that day the root of Jesse, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples—of him shall the nations inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious.

offering

1 Corinthians 4:7

What do you have that you did not receive?

Whether we have much or little, God calls us to treasure and trust Him above all. So we are to give as generously as we are able of the gifts that God has given to us, knowing that He who met our most dire need through Christ will continue to provide for every need we have. All gifts go toward ministry initiatives of All Souls and the relief of the poor.

If you are our guest today, please feel no obligation to give. Let us know you've joined us today, as well as any comments or prayer requests, by placing your comment card in one of the offering bowls as they are passed. Read more about giving in worship on p.12.

the Lord's table

hymns

The people walking in darkness
Have seen a great light;
For the nations you increased their joy;
as the dawn replaced the night.

And the yoke that is such a heavy burden:
you have carried their plight

For unto us a child is born,
For unto us a son is given,
And he will be called

(repeat)

The People Walking In Darkness Have Seen a Great Light

Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace

Nevertheless, there will no longer be sorrow
for those in distress. (2x)

Hallelujah, Christ has come. Hallelujah a
Savior is born. (2x)

*The Lord's Supper, also called
Communion or the Eucharist,
is the family meal of Christians.
We invite all baptized followers
of Jesus Christ who
acknowledge their sin against
God and their neighbors and
confess their need for the
grace of Christ to partake of
this meal. We take it as a sign
of health to have regular
attenders who love our
community but don't profess
faith in Christ, and so remain
seated during this time. If you
are a Christian and haven't
been baptized, please talk with
our pastor. We would be
honored to baptize you.*

*words and music:
Nathan Ryan, based on Isaiah 9
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Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet your tribute bring.
Ransomed, restored, forgiven,
evermore his praises sing.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King!

Praise him for grace and for favor
to his people in distress.
Praise him, the same as ever,
slow to anger, and swift to bless.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Glorious in his faithfulness!

Frail as a flower we flourish
Blows the wind and it is gone
But while mortals rise and perish
God endures unchanging on
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise the high eternal One!

Angels, help us to adore him;
ye behold him face to face.
Sun and moon, bow before him,
dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace! (3x)

standing

*words: Henry Lyte
music: Nathan Ryan
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benediction + sending

May the God, who loved you enough to send his Son into this world,
grant you peace as you await his return and prepare for an eternity shouting his praise.

Go now in the hope of the peace He brings. **Amen.**

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

Thanks be to God!

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

*Unless otherwise noted,
all Scripture is taken from
The Holy Bible, English
Standard Version (ESV)
or New International
Version (NIV).*

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

Gathering

CHRISTMAS LESSONS + CAROLS

Sunday, Dec 24, 10a / nursery + toddler rooms open, no All Souls Kids

Celebrate Christmas with All Souls as we tell and sing the story of Christ's birth. Invite friends!

Growing

ADVENT DAILY

Dec 3 - 25

A daily email with Scripture readings, prayers, and a song to facilitate personal and family prayer and worship this Advent. The email also includes an audio version read by a member of the All Souls community, so you can listen on the way to work or at the breakfast table! Sign up is painless: visit allsoulsseattle.org, and then add dailyworship@allsoulsseattle.org to your email contacts.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION

Sundays, 9-9:45a in the library; childcare provided ages 2+ / resuming Jan 7

We are excited to continue a space for engagement and learning, on Sunday mornings before worship. Beginning a new session titled *The Gospel and Race*, we will explore how All Souls can embody and be a voice for gospel change as we consider our church's mission, features of the early church community, and the Christian's role as an agent of God's kingdom in our current cultural context. Bring coffee and join us as we pray, study, and learn together. For details, please contact Dan Reeve (dereeve@gmail.com) or Ryan Anderson (email.ryananderson@gmail.com).

GROWTH GROUPS

Ready to learn and apply the Bible more broadly, press the gospel of Jesus further into your heart and life, dig into deeper, bigger questions, and share with greater transparency in a smaller (6-8 ppl max), gender-specific group? Growth Groups are a unique and more intimate place to grow spiritually, with a committed focus on discipleship. Details and sign up / groups@allsoulsseattle.org

CARE + COUNSEL

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

Bulletin Board

NEW ADDRESS?

To ensure that your 2017 yearend giving receipt makes it to your mailbox, please let us know if your address changed this year. Please email any changes to Noni Wilson, thank you (bookkeeper@).

BABYSITTING CO-OP

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

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

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

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

To meet with a pastor or other leader confidentially, or for a counseling referral: pastor@allsoulsseattle.org

All Souls Kids + Nursery



Our ministry to children is designed to equip and partner with families as you seek to invest in the spiritual wholeness of your children.

We value the role of kids in our community, and are committed to cultivating an environment where they feel known, loved and respected. We intend to draw them into an engaging, enjoyable, and provocative encounter with the gospel using language familiar to them.

We encourage them to learn to ask good questions in the discovery of who they are and who God is, in the hope of building a foundation that shapes their lives for years to come!

Because worship is a celebration of grace, not a theological lecture, children of all ages are encouraged to join us at any time during the service— we are used to having them around!

We also offer a safe place for kids to be together during the service.

- **Nursery (non-walkers) and Toddlers (1-2 yrs):** Both rooms are open through the entire worship service. Little ones receive excellent care in a safe, peaceful space set up specifically for our babies and toddlers. Please sign your child in and out on the provided clip-board when you arrive and pick up. You will be contacted during worship, if needed.
- **3-year-olds, Pre-K (4-5 yrs), and Kindergarten:** Children begin in worship, and are dismissed midway to these dynamic and fun classes. Kids will receive excellent care as they play, sing, read, do crafts, and have a nut-free snack. *The Jesus Storybook Bible* is our primary teaching tool. Please sign your child in and out on the provided clip-board when you drop-off and pick-up.
- **1st, 2nd Grade, and 3rd-5th Grade:** Kids begin in worship and are dismissed midway to class where they will learn and discover in a language and style more suitable to young, growing hearts and minds. Our instruction is framed around a cyclical exploration of key Biblical truths and gospel realities. Students are brought upstairs by their teachers to rejoin their families after worship (except for the 4th-5th Grade Class, which rejoins their families before the Lord's Supper).

Middle and High School Students

We desire to be a community where each of us experiences significant, lasting relationships that would highlight the active presence of Jesus in the lives of His people, and where we would encounter Jesus in ways that will shape our understanding and experience of His grace for the rest of our lives. And this is true regardless of age. Middle and high schoolers are invited to stay in worship to explore, question, and reflect alongside adults.

Because we believe we grow best in the context of relationship, we are committed to coming alongside middle and high school students through monthly, age-specific Growth Groups on Sunday evenings, geared towards laughing, playing, sharing, exploring, serving, studying, praying and growing together. If you have a middle or high school student, or would like to get involved, please contact us.

Additionally, **Young Life** has many opportunities for youth to connect, and to explore the gospel. To learn more, contact Area Director Alison Bray (alisonb.yl@gmail.com).

If you have special needs or have a friend or family member with special needs, we do not want to miss an opportunity to serve you.

Please introduce yourself and let us know how we can serve you best.

SAFETY NOTE:

In the unlikely event of an emergency or evacuation, all children will be escorted immediately from their classrooms to the south entrance parking lot. Parents can exit onto the terrace through the doors on the right side of the stage and meet their kids in the parking lot.

Parents:

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

Please use this at your convenience.

*Learn more:
allsoulsseattle.org/kids*

See below:
All Souls Kids classroom map (downstairs) on p. 12

How can I serve?



Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. (Romans 12:11)

We are called to serve, not to be served.

As Jesus came into the world to serve rather than to be served (Mark 10:42-45), our desire is that we as a church would regularly serve each other and also the under-resourced and marginalized of our neighborhood and city.

ALL SOULS COMMUNITY

We value— and rely on!— a collaborative culture at All Souls.

We're not here to consume or spectate, but to **lean in, take ownership, and serve**, no matter what we bring to the table. We honor God with what he's given us and seek to bless those around us, as a family, on Sundays and throughout the week.

current needs / opportunities to serve:

- ▶ **Sundays** - As you might imagine, it takes many hands to turn a middle school into a warm, welcoming worship space. We need volunteers to help with set-up, greeting, coffee/snacks, and more. Contact: Charlotte Aljets (charlotte@allsoulsseattle.org).
- ▶ **Make a Meal** - As a way to tangibly serve one another in challenging or transitional seasons of life, we as a family make meals for each other. To make *or request* a meal, please contact communitycare@allsoulsseattle.org. Thank you!

NEIGHBORHOOD + CITY

Seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you. (Jeremiah 29:7)

As a church 'not just for ourselves', there are also lots of ways to serve and seek the well-being of our neighborhood and city through All Souls. We are primarily interested in connecting volunteers to vital service organizations already serving for the sake of renewal, mercy, and justice.

current opportunities:

▶ **West Seattle Young Life**

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

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

▶ **Serve and Partner with the West Seattle DSHS Foster Care Office**

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

- Office Moms & Dads is an on-call, daytime volunteer opportunity (customizable to your schedule!) to care for foster kids that have recently been removed from their home while a social worker works hard to find a foster care placement for them.
Contact Janine Krebs (westseattleomd@gmail.com) to learn more and to sign up for the next volunteer training.

▶ **YoungLives**

All Souls is in the early stages of a partnership with YoungLives, the ministry of Young Life to teenage moms. Our hope is to begin to invest in life-on-life mentoring with teen moms in West Seattle through entering into their lives, building relationships with them and with their little ones, modeling the unconditional love of Christ, and encouraging them to become the women and mothers God created them to be. All levels of commitment are welcome! If you have questions about this ministry, or are interested in hearing more about partnering with YoungLives, contact Rachel at rachelpelander@gmail.com.

Home Groups

In a world that pushes us toward isolation, we need community— a place where we're known and loved, and can grow. Home groups are a vital part of shared life and growth in Christ— places of care and community where we discover and live the Christian life together.

Simply put, they are the best way at All Souls to integrate as a newcomer, build lasting friendships, and to consistently be in each other's lives. We are a community that places high value on this time together in God's word and in prayer, and also serving our city and neighborhoods.

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

Groups meet every other week, resuming January 7. To join or learn more about a group please contact the leader(s) directly.

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

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

Neighborhood	Contact	Time	Notes
ADMIRAL	Graeme + Sarah Hanson s.wulf.hanson@gmail.com	Wed / 7 - 8:30p	Mixed group of adults
	Martin + Sarah Dillard sarahjdillard@gmail.com	Wed / 6:30 - 8p	Mixed group of adults; childcare provided
ALASKA	R.J. + Carolyn March rj@allsoulsseattle.org	Sun / 5 - 6:30p	Mixed group of adults; children welcome
ARBOR HEIGHTS	Jeff + Suzanne Case Matt + Nancy Spiro suzannecase3@gmail.com	Tues / 6 - 7:30p	Mixed group of adults; children welcome includes a meal
DELRIDGE	Jonathan + Rachel Faunce rachelfaunce@gmail.com	Sun / 4:30 - 6p	Mixed group of adults; children welcome includes a meal
FAIRMOUNT PARK	Jake + Emily Anderson jake.anderson486@gmail.com	Thurs / 6 - 8:30p	Mixed group of adults; includes a meal
RAINIER BEACH	Aaron + Prasti Purdum appurdum@gmail.com	Sun / 6 - 7:30p	Mixed group of adults; children welcome
MIDDLE SCHOOL HOME GROUP	Stefphan Gambill stefphan@allsoulsseattle.org	Sun / 4:30 - 6p	All middle schoolers welcome (invite a friend!); meets at the All Souls Loft

Group schedules can also be found here: allsoulsseattle.org/calendar

Giving as part of worship

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

The Bible says that 'we know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for our sake he became poor, so that we through his poverty might become rich' (2 Corinthians 8:9). Jesus's death on the cross represents the most generous gift ever given—when he gave up everything in order to reconcile us to God.

Giving cheerfully, sacrificially, and consistently is a part of our worship—not because it's something churches do, but because giving in response to the gospel ought to be worshipful. When we are generous with others, we are reminding one another of the great generosity of our God.

All Souls seeks to build community, love our neighbors, and work for peace and justice within Seattle. Our desire in giving is not only to meet our own financial needs, but to be able to serve those in need in our city and neighborhoods.

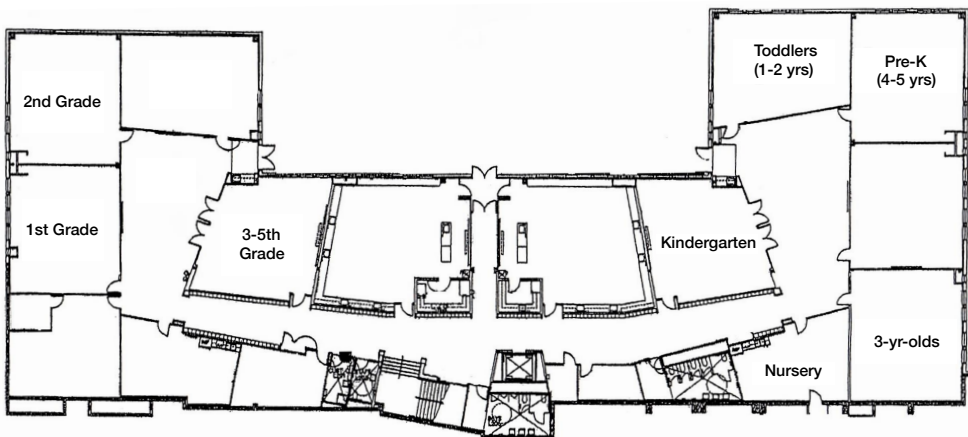
There are few ways that you can contribute financially to All Souls.

- Place cash or check in the offering on Sundays
- Mail a check, or set up automatic bill pay through your bank, payable to:
All Souls Church
PO Box 16613
Seattle, WA 98116
- For any assistance or questions about:
Giving on a recurring basis via EFT (electronic fund transfer), stock donation, or non-cash contribution options (e.g. property or vehicle donation) please contact Noni Wilson (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.

All Souls Kids Classroom Map (downstairs)



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It is the smallest of all seeds,
but when it has *grown* it is
larger than all the other garden
plants and becomes a tree, so
that birds of the air come and
make nests in its branches.

Matthew 13:32