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# 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.

Please 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 God's grace, freely given to you.

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.

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.

All Souls is a space to begin, or begin again, from anywhere. So let us explore. *Let us worship!*

# 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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## How do I get connected?

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## All Souls Kids + Youth

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"Our decaying bodies are destined for resurrection and hence transformation into the likeness of Christ's now glorified body."

- Gordon Fee



*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 God's Word, celebrate Communion, and simply to be together. This is a space to begin, or begin again, from anywhere.*

## Call to Worship

*from Psalm 92*

*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 and music by Caroline Cobb Smith and Wendell Kimbrough*

It is good to give thanks to the Lord

We are here to give thanks to the Lord

It is good to give thanks to the Lord

We are here to give thanks to the Lord

To make music in His name

We are lifting up our hearts

And to sing a song of praise

All we have and all we are

It is good to give thanks to the Lord

'Cause it is good to give thanks to the Lord

*chorus*

We will sing of His love in the morning

He has made us glad! (x6)

And His faithfulness in the night

*chorus*

On guitar and on the keys

Blow the horn and play the strings

It is good to give thanks to the Lord

*chorus* Clap your hands, stomp your feet

Bang the drum, come on and sing!

Tell the world of His great love

It is good to give thanks to the Lord

STANDING

**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.

*If you, or someone with you this afternoon, has special needs we do not want to miss an opportunity to serve you.*

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

Psalm 51:15; 92:4-5

Open our lips, O Lord;

**And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.**

For you, O Lord, have made us glad by your work;

at the works of your hands we sing for joy.

**How great are your works, O Lord!**

## Acclamation

Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**and blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

## All Creatures of our God and King

words Francis of Assisi (1225) tune LASST UNS ERFREUEN (1623) arr The Sing Team (2017)

All creatures of our God and King Lift up your voice and with us sing O praise him! Alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam Thou silver moon with softer gleam O praise him! (x2) Alleluia! (x3)	Let all things their Creator bless And worship him in humbleness O praise him! Alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son And praise the Spirit, Three in One! O praise him! (x2) Alleluia! (x3)
Thou rushing wind that art so strong Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along O praise him! Alleluia! Thou rising moon in praise rejoice Ye lights of evening find a voice O praise him! (x2) Alleluia! (x3)	Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son And praise the Spirit, Three in One! Oh praise Him! Alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son And praise the Spirit, Three in One! O praise him! (x2) Alleluia! (x3)

## O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

words George Matheson (1882) music Chris Miner (1997)

O Love that will not let me go I rest my weary soul in thee I give thee back the life I owe That in thine ocean depths its flow May richer, fuller be	O Joy that seekest me through pain I cannot close my heart to thee I trace the rainbow through the rain And feel the promise is not vain That morn shall tearless be
O light that followest all my way I yield my flickering torch to thee My heart restores its borrowed ray That in thy sunshine's blaze its day May brighter, fairer be	O Cross that liftest up my head I dare not ask to fly from thee I lay in dust life's glory dead And from the ground there blossoms red Life that shall endless be

## Confession

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from every kind of wrong.

Let us confess our sins.

**Merciful God, we have sinned in what we have thought and said,  
In the wrong we have done and in the good we have not done.**

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*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.*

## BE SEATED

*Confession 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, in its essence, is a word that means, "an obsession or worship of oneself." Martin Luther described sin as "curving in on oneself," which causes a relational breach not only with people we harm, but also with God by not giving God the place he deserves in our lives as our loving Creator and Savior.*

**We have sinned in ignorance.  
 We have sinned in weakness.  
 We have sinned through our own deliberate fault.  
 We are truly sorry.  
 We repent and turn to you.  
 Forgive us, for our Savior Christ's sake,  
 And renew our lives to the glory of your name. Amen.**

*Let's acknowledge our need for Jesus to do what we cannot: heal, forgive, and restore where we have harmed, hurt, and broken. After a brief silence we will sing our confession.*

*T.J. Williams / E. Wilson*



*Fine*

Lord, ha - ve mer - cy. Christ, ha - ve mer - cy. Lord, ha - ve mer - cy on \_\_\_\_ me.

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*D.C. al Fine*

Ky - ri-e e-lei - son, Chris-te e-lei - son, Christ, ha - ve mer - cy on \_\_\_\_ me.

## Receiving of Grace

*We serve a God of limitless power and might. Yet, in all of his power he looks on us with mercy, and draws us into his family, because of what Jesus Christ has done.*

Through the cross of Christ,  
 God have mercy on us,  
 pardon us and set us free. **Amen.**

The peace of Christ rule in our hearts.  
**The word of Christ dwell in us richly.**

## Blessing for Learning

*Zebras remain in the service this week. All other classes meet.*

Lord, bless these children whom you love, as they discover in their own language who you are.  
**Give them a sense of being known and loved by you,** and the freedom to come fully as themselves.  
 Bless our teachers, and be present in their every word and interaction.  
**Help us all to become learners. Beloved children, go in peace. Amen.**

*Please stand and sing as kids go out and we prepare to hear from God's Word.  
 Music: Rain for Roots (2014)*

**Open up our ears to listen. Open up our eyes to see.  
 Plant the seed of understanding. Grow it up like the tallest tree.  
 Pull the blinds. Open wide all the windows. Fill our hearts with the light of your truth.**

## the Reading

*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.*

Ezekiel 31:1-6; 10-14

In the eleventh year, in the third month on the first day, the word of the Lord came to me: 2 “Son of man, say to Pharaoh king of Egypt and to his hordes:

“Who can be compared with you in majesty?

3 Consider Assyria, once a cedar in Lebanon,  
with beautiful branches overshadowing the forest;  
it towered on high,  
its top above the thick foliage.

4 The waters nourished it,  
deep springs made it grow tall;  
their streams flowed  
all around its base  
and sent their channels  
to all the trees of the field.

5 So it towered higher  
than all the trees of the field;  
its boughs increased  
and its branches grew long,  
spreading because of abundant waters.

6 All the birds of the sky  
nested in its boughs,  
all the animals of the wild  
gave birth under its branches;  
all the great nations  
lived in its shade.

10 “Therefore this is what the Sovereign Lord says: Because the great cedar towered over the thick foliage, and because it was proud of its height, 11 I gave it into the hands of the ruler of the nations, for him to deal with according to its wickedness. I cast it aside, 12 and the most ruthless of foreign nations cut it down and left it. Its boughs fell on the mountains and in all the valleys; its branches lay broken in all the ravines of the land. All the nations of the earth came out from under its shade and left it. 13 All the birds settled on the fallen tree, and all the wild animals lived among its branches. 14 Therefore no other trees by the waters are ever to tower proudly on high, lifting their tops above the thick foliage. No other trees so well-watered are ever to reach such a height; they are all destined for death, for the earth below, among mortals who go down to the realm of the dead.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

1 It is good to give thanks to the Lord,  
**to sing praises to your name, O Most High;**  
 2 to declare your steadfast love in the morning,  
**and your faithfulness by night,**  
 3 to the music of the lute and the harp,  
**to the melody of the lyre.**  
 4 For you, O Lord, have made me glad by your work;  
**at the works of your hands I sing for joy.**  
 5 How great are your works, O Lord!  
**Your thoughts are very deep!**  
 6 The dull of heart cannot know,  
**the fool cannot understand this:**  
 7 though the wicked sprout like grass  
 and all evildoers flourish,  
**they are doomed to destruction for ever,**  
 8 **but you, O Lord, are on high for ever.**  
 9 For your enemies, O Lord,  
 for your enemies shall perish;  
**all evildoers shall be scattered.**

10 But you have exalted my horn like that of the wild  
 ox;  
**you have poured over me fresh oil.**  
 11 My eyes have seen the downfall of my enemies;  
**my ears have heard the doom of my evil  
 assailants.**  
 12 The righteous flourish like the palm tree,  
**and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.**  
 13 They are planted in the house of the Lord;  
**they flourish in the courts of our God.**  
 14 In old age they still produce fruit;  
**they are always green and full of sap,**  
 15 showing that the Lord is upright;  
**he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in  
 him.**

2 Corinthians 4:16-5:5

16 Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. 17 For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. 18 So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by human hands. 2 Meanwhile we groan, longing to be clothed instead with our heavenly dwelling, 3 because when we are clothed, we will not be found naked. 4 For while we are in this tent, we groan and are burdened, because we do not wish to be unclothed but to be clothed instead with our heavenly dwelling, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. 5 Now the one who has fashioned us for this very purpose is God, who has given us the Spirit as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



*Just before the gospel reading, the church has traditionally sung a refrain of praise to celebrate God's desire to draw near to us, even becoming one of us taking on our humanity in Jesus Christ. The gospel book is carried as a symbol of Christ into the aisle and read in the midst of the people as a reminder that God draws near to us. Music: "Celtic Alleluia" by Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker.*

## Mark 4:26-34

26 Jesus also said, "This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man scatters seed on the ground. 27 Night and day, whether he sleeps or gets up, the seed sprouts and grows, though he does not know how. 28 All by itself the soil produces grain—first the stalk, then the head, then the full kernel in the head. 29 As soon as the grain is ripe, he puts the sickle to it, because the harvest has come."

30 Again he said, "What shall we say the kingdom of God is like, or what parable shall we use to describe it? 31 It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest of all seeds on earth. 32 Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds can perch in its shade."

33 With many similar parables Jesus spoke the word to them, as much as they could understand. 34 He did not say anything to them without using a parable. But when he was alone with his own disciples, he explained everything.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Christ.**

## Homily

## Transformation Guaranteed

Rev. Kara Nichols Barrett

## Musical Interlude

*Musical interludes are included to provide space for reflection and worship.*

## Prayers of the People

*sing:* **Every mother, every father called to raise up sons or daughters  
May your heart be patient, May your mind be clear,  
May our God be with you, And calm your fears.**

God of all comfort,  
Be with those who miss their fathers today,  
Be with those who long to be fathers today,  
Be with those who long for a different relationship with our fathers,  
Be with those who are estranged from their children today,  
Be with those who are struggling with the challenges of fatherhood,  
Be with those who are serving as fathers in the place of biological fathers.  
God of grace, give us grace to forgive our earthly fathers who have failed us and give us grace to acknowledge our failings as parents.  
God our healer, apply your healing balm to father wounds.  
God our strength, make strong all who are engaged in fathering.  
God our redeemer, deepen our trust in your power to redeem our family stories.

*sing:* **Every mother, every father called to raise up sons or daughters  
May your heart be patient, May your mind be clear,  
May our God be with you, And calm your fears.**

Father God, on this Father's Day, we thank you for the love that you have lavished on us that we should be called your children. You are the Father that we long for and need. You never fail, never abandon, never neglect. You are endlessly patient. You abound and overflow with limitless love.

Thank you for the fathers, grandfathers, and uncles in our midst who help us experience your never-stopping, never giving up, unbreaking, always and forever love. **Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

*from* Matthew 6:9-13

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

## Grateful Giving

Matthew 6:19-21

Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.



## Communion

Communion, also called the Lord's Supper or the Eucharist, is the family meal of Christians.

### PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT COMMUNING

*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.*

### THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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 with one voice:

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

### 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.**

\* Hosanna means "save me!" but with Jesus came to mean "salvation is here!"

## Trinity Song

words and music by Sandra McCracken (2016)

Holy Father, Son, and Spirit

Holy Communion, Three in One (repeat)

Come with your peace, with your invitation

Bind us together in holy love (repeat)

God Most High,

**We thank you for welcoming us, teaching us and feeding us. We deserve nothing from you but in your great mercy, you have given us everything in your Son Jesus Christ. We love you and give ourselves to you to be sent out for your work. Grant us your blessing, now and for ever. Amen.**

## Eternal Weight of Glory

words and music Wendell Kimbrough (2013)

Now the days and hours and moments  
Of our suffering seem so long  
And the toilsome wait and wond'ring  
Threaten silence to our song  
Now our pain is real and pressing  
Where our faith is thin and weak  
But our hope is set on Jesus  
And we cling to Him our strength

Oh eternal weight of glory  
Oh inheritance divine  
We will see our Lord redeeming  
Every past and future time  
All our pains will be transfigured  
Like the scars of Christ our Lord  
We will see the weight of glory  
And our broken years restored

*chorus* For behold I tell a mystery  
At the trumpet sound we'll wake  
Death is swallowed up in vict'ry  
When we meet our King of grace  
Every year we thought was wasted  
Every night we cried "How long?"  
All will be a passing moment  
In our Savior's vict'ry song

We will see our wounded Savior  
We'll behold Him face to face  
And we'll hear our anguished stories  
Sung as vict'ry songs of grace / *chorus*

## Benediction

Romans 8:11 (NLT)

The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you. And just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, he will give life to your mortal bodies by this same Spirit living within you.

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 and non-alcoholic grape juice for Communion. For those with wheat allergies, a gluten-free cracker is available in place of the bread (ingredients: cauliflower, brown rice flour, tapioca starch, coconut milk powder, pumpkin seeds, sunflower seeds, sesame seeds, mustard powder, sea salt, garlic powder, onion powder).*

### **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 leadership of this church or the governing body of the church to which you belong. If you have any questions about how this process works, please speak with one of our pastors.*

*Scripture appears in the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV) or the New International Version (NIV) unless otherwise noted.*

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

## Announcements

Sign up for our Weekly Friday email:



**Pastoral Care during staff vacations:** Suzanne will be on vacation June 23-July 6 and Kara will be on vacation over the month of July. For pastoral care and any other needs, please contact Suzanne@ beginning July 7th. During the time frame of **June 27-July 7**, please contact Merrilee Thompson, our rector's warden at vestry@allsoulsseattle.org.

**Save the Date:** 'A counter-cultural community of the well-rested' is what we as Vestry, Clergy, and Staff are hoping to see All Souls grow more into next year (Sep 2024-Aug 2025), during an election year no less! The Fall Souls Retreat from **September 13-15 2024** will help to unpack the Bible's vision of rest, provide some time to reflect on our restlessness, and also offer new ways to engage our restlessness with the resources in Christ Jesus.

## Serve Together

**Help feed unhoused neighbors.** The shelter is closed for overnight stays for the season. Keith Hughes, the shelter's manager, would like to keep the shelter open as a warming station six days a week (Monday-Saturday) where folks can receive a warm breakfast and take a hot shower. To remain open, though, Keith needs the community's support.

Friday mornings, volunteers are needed who can flip pancakes and scramble eggs. Breakfast volunteers are needed from 7:30-8:30am. Contact [kara@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:kara@allsoulsseattle.org) for questions.

## Group Life

### Home Groups —

In a world that pushes us toward isolation, we need community—a place where we're known, loved, and belong. Home Groups are one of the main ways we learn to enjoy and extend the hospitality of Christ in our neighborhoods.

*Spring Season ended June 2nd*

Groups can continue to meet socially but typically break for the summer.

*Fall Season begins October 6th*

Groups will re-gather for the Fall Season with a seasonal focus on Sabbath, with resources from Practicing the Way, to support next year's emphasis on 'The Rest of God' beginning with a preaching series on Sabbath rest.

### Grace Groups

#### Grace Groups @Work

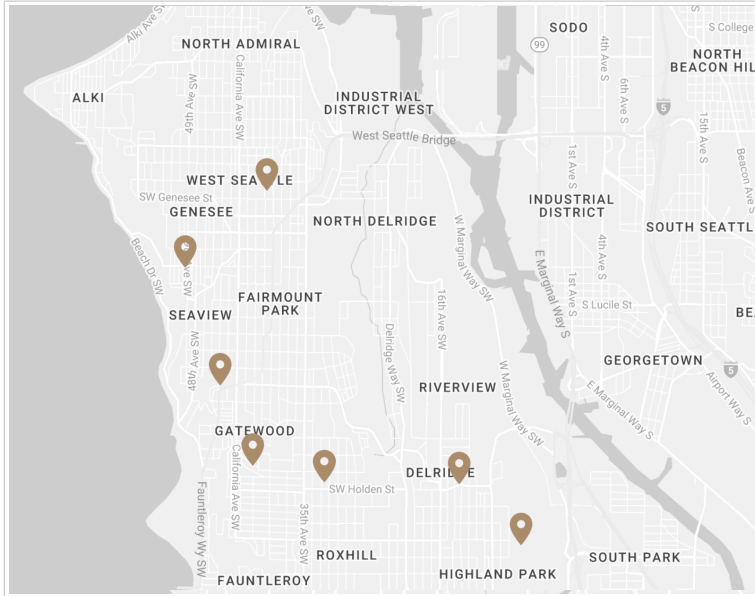
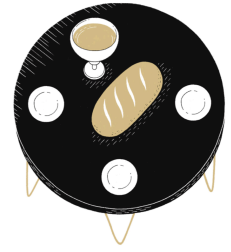
Join conversations that explore how to live more by God's grace @work. Make new connections and deepen connection with other All Souls people working in your field: for tech (contact Greg, [greg@kroleski.com](mailto:greg@kroleski.com)), for education (contact Tyler, [tylerashby@gmail.com](mailto:tylerashby@gmail.com)), to start a new group (contact R.J., [rj@allsoulsseattle.org](mailto:rj@allsoulsseattle.org))

### Youth Group

Youth group is paused for the summer and will resume in the fall.

# Home Group Map + Details

These are open groups anyone can join at any time, built to be a place to share—food, stories, hopes, and life.



## ALASKA

Peter + Kara Barrett  
**Every other Sunday, 6-7:30p**  
indoors, mixed group of adults, kids welcome, meal included

## GATEWOOD - NORTH

Andrew + Jen Eckert and Steve + MaryAnn Simmons  
**Every other Thursday, 6-7:30p**  
online, mixed group of adults, kids welcome, meal included

## GATEWOOD - SOUTH

Luke + Terri Crook  
**Every other Sunday, 6-7:30p**  
mixed group of adults, meal included

## HIGHLAND PARK - EAST

Jeff + Suzanne Case  
**Every other Sunday, 6-7:30p**  
indoors, mixed group of adults, kids welcome, meal included

## HIGHLAND PARK - SOUTH

R.J. + Carolyn March  
**Every other Sunday, 10-11:30a**  
mixed group of adults, kids welcome, meal included

## SEAVIEW

Dustin + Kelley Long  
**Every other Tuesday, 6-7:30p**  
mixed group of adults, kids + teens welcome, meal included

## WESTWOOD

Thad + Lauren Williams and Erik + Nicole Bennett  
**Every other Wednesday, 6-7:30p**  
mixed group of adults, kids welcome

To connect with one of these groups,  
visit: [allsoulsseattle.org/connect](https://allsoulsseattle.org/connect)



# All Souls Kids + Youth on Sundays

Our ministry exists to help children in partnership with families to know Jesus, and experience his love.



## Sunday School

Sunday school classes are offered during worship October through June. We currently have four classes: Lion Class (PreK-K), Deer Class (1st-2nd grade), Bear Class (3rd-5th) and Zebra Class (6th-7th).

Students will be signed in upon class arrival and signed out after dismissal back into worship.

**First time here? Welcome! All Souls Kids staff and volunteers are here to greet you and answer any questions.**

Kids will be dismissed from the service to their teachers prior to the scripture reading, and escorted to their classrooms. Teachers will bring students back to rejoin families just before the Lord's Supper.

Lion and Deer classes meet teachers at the back of the sanctuary. Bear and Zebra classes meet your teachers at the front of the sanctuary. Look for the clipboard with your class animal!

Nursery is provided for the entire worship service, ages 1-3. Parents: sign your little one in and out in the Giraffe (nursery) classroom. Nursing mothers are welcome to use the nursing mother's room as needed, located next to the sanctuary.

## What happens in class

Classes begin with a greeting and lighting of the Christ Candle. Each student is invited to share a response to a question relating to the theme of the lesson.

Next, we dive into the story of the week, followed by discussion. Discussion questions point to God's character, His rescue plan for the world, and the unending hope and love available to us because of Jesus. After the discussion, students participate in a short activity like acting out the story or a simple craft.

We close with a modified version of Prayers of the People, when children are given an opportunity to pray for others and ask for prayer. Classes close the prayer time in the Lord's Prayer, together.

After the worship service, children are offered a lollipop as part of the benediction, or blessing. When we hand them the lollipop we say "Peace be with you". The response is "And also with you"

## F.A.Q.

*child protection policies >>*



*Can I join my child in class, if they need me?*

Absolutely! Parents may accompany children to class for as long as needed.

*Can my child stay in the service with me?*

Yes! Children of all ages are welcome in the service at any time. Clipboards with paper and WikiSticks are available for busy hands.

*Is there an at-home connection?*

Yes! Each week's scripture passage will be included in the all church email, the Friday prior to class, to give families a heads up about what your child will be learning. Families are encouraged to talk about the story at home by asking children to retell the story and something new they learned about God.

## Giving as Part of Worship

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 giving goes toward ministry initiatives of All Souls and the relief of those in need.

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' 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 is intended to be worshipful. When we are generous with others we are reminding one another of the great generosity of 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, in addition to during worship, that you can contribute financially to All Souls:

- ▶ Mail a check, or set up automatic bill pay through your bank, payable to:

All Souls  
7551 35th Ave SW  
Seattle, WA 98126

- ▶ Visit [allsoulsseattle.org/give](https://allsoulsseattle.org/give) (ACH now available)



- ▶ 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. If you are our guest today, please feel no obligation to give.*

*We thank God for your partnership in this work, and invite you to ask him how you might best reflect his radical, sacrificial generosity with your own.*



# All Souls KIDS!

What's something you HEARD during worship today?

A GUIDE FOR  
EXPLORING  
WHO GOD  
IS TO US!

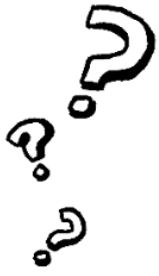
Did you hear any words that were NEW to you?



AS YOU LISTEN...



Draw something that inspired your IMAGINATION:



What's ONE question you'd want to ask your parents or pastors?

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What's ONE question you'd want to ask GOD?

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Who do you want, or need, GOD to be to you today?

PRAY:  
Ask GOD to take care of everything you need. He always hears you, because He loves you!

draw!  
color in!

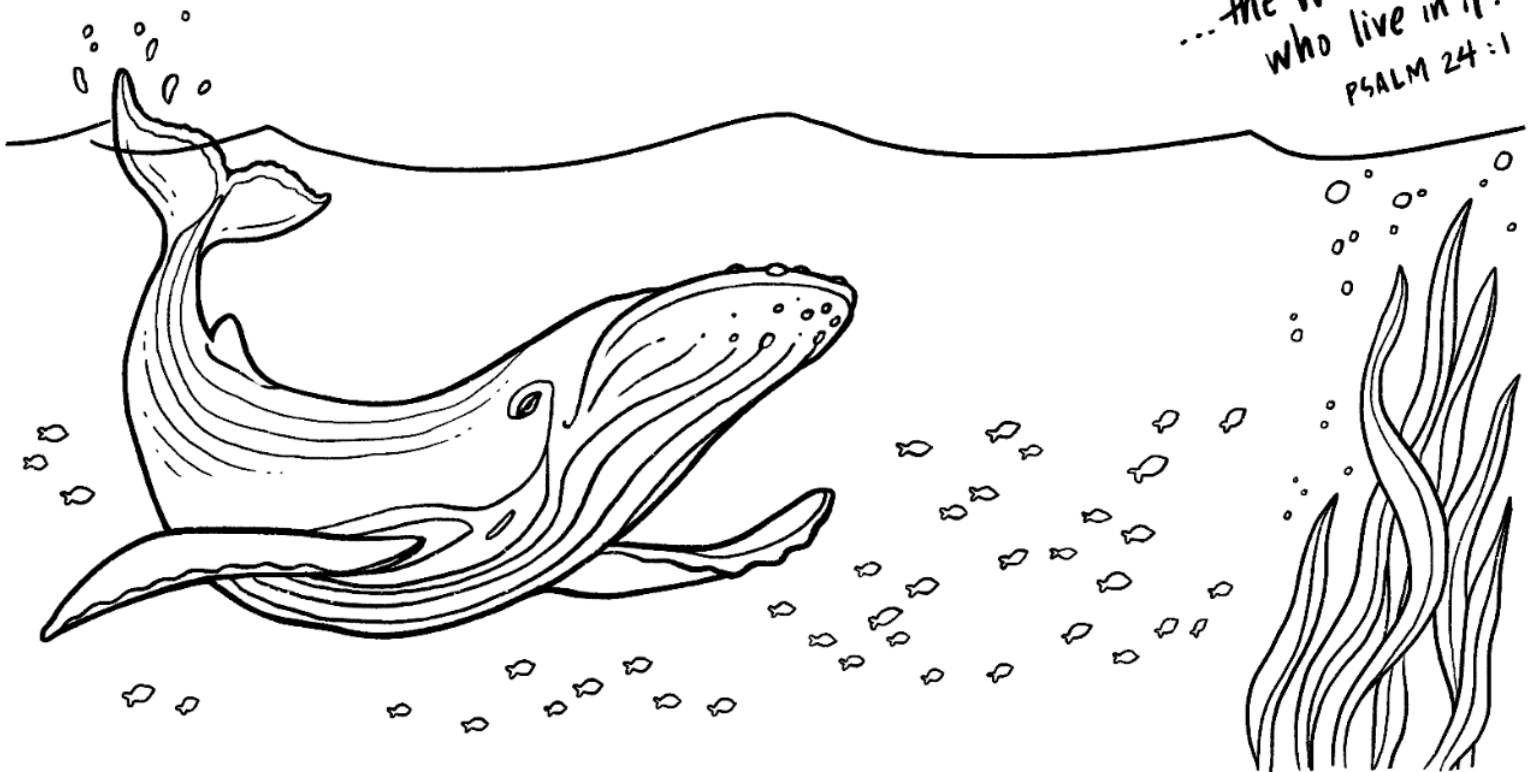
# All Souls KIDS doodle page

for kids  
of ALL ages!



The earth is  
the LORD's,  
and everything  
in it...

...the world and all  
who live in it.  
PSALM 24:1



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Steve Simmons, *prayer + listening*

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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