

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.

How do I get connected?

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All Souls Kids + Youth

allsoulsseattle.org/kids (/youth)

How can I serve?

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At the heart of the human vocation is to be with God.

- A.t. Swoboda



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

Be Thou My Vision

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 Irish text trans Mary Byrne (1905) tune SLANE harm Carlton Young (1963)

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me
Save that Thou art
Thou my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance, now and always
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart
High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art

Be Thou my wisdom
And Thou my true Word
I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father and Spirit and Son
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one

High King of heaven, my victory won
May I reach heaven's joys
O bright heaven's son
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall
Still be my vision, O ruler of all

Psalm 95:1-7

STANDING

Oh come, let us sing to the Lord;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;

let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

For the Lord is a great God,

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the depths of the earth;

the heights of the mountains are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it,

and his hands formed the dry land.

Oh come, let us worship and bow down;

let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

For he is our God.

and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

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.

Opening Prayer

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

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

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let This Heart Not Wander

words and music by Young Oceans (2016)

Let my eyes see nothing

Let my eyes see nothing

But Your glory my lord (repeat

But Your glory, my Lord (repeat)

Let this heart not wander Let this heart not wander From Your mercy, my Lord (repeat) May I always linger May I always linger

In Your presence, my Lord (repeat)

I will ever praise You I will ever praise You

You are worthy, my Lord (repeat)

Solid Rock

words Edward Mote (1834) music William Batchelder Bradbury (1863)

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly lean on Jesus' name

chorus On Christ the solid Rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand

When darkness veils His lovely face I rest on His unchanging grace In every high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil chorus

His oath, His covenant, His blood Support me in the whelming flood When every earthly prop gives way He then is all my hope and stay chorus

When He shall come
With trumpet sound
Oh may I then in Him be found
Clothed in His righteousness alone
Faultless to stand before the throne
chorus

Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

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.

Take a moment now to silently 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.



Receiving of Grace I John 2:1-2

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.

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

Almighty God, who pardons all who truly repent, forgive your sins, strengthen you by the Holy Spirit, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. **Amen.**

Blessing for Learning

All Souls Kids are dismissed at this time to learn about Jesus in their own language. Classes are the Lions (PreK-1st) and the Bears (2nd-5th).

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 by Rain for Roots (2014).

Come to me, walk with me, learn the rhythms of my grace.

Come to me, I have all you need, learn to rest even while you are awake.

Are you tired? Are you worried? Worn out from the day?

Have you been in a hurry? I will slow the pace.

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.

Exodus 20:1-2, 8-11; 31:12-13

And God spoke all these words:

- 2 "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.
- 8 "Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. 9 Six days you shall labor and do all your work, 10 but the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your male or female servant, nor your animals, nor any foreigner residing in your towns. 11 For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

31:12 Then the Lord said to Moses, 13 "Say to the Israelites, 'You must observe my Sabbaths. This will be a sign between me and you for the generations to come, so you may know that I am the Lord, who makes you holy.'

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 92

- 1 It is good to praise the Lord, and make music to your name, O Most High,
- 2 proclaiming your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night,
- 3 to the music of the ten-stringed lyre and the melody of the harp.
- 4 For you make me glad by your deeds, Lord; I sing for joy at what your hands have done.
- 5 How great are your works, Lord,
 - how profound your thoughts!
- 6 Senseless people do not know,
 - fools do not understand,
- 7 that though the wicked spring up like grass and all evildoers flourish, they will be destroyed forever.

- 8 But you, Lord, are forever exalted.
- 9 For surely your enemies, Lord, surely your enemies will perish;
 - all evildoers will be scattered.
- 10 You have exalted my horn like that of a wild ox; **fine oils have been poured on me.**
- 11 My eyes have seen the defeat of my adversaries; my ears have heard the rout of my wicked foes.
- 12 The righteous will flourish like a palm tree, they will grow like a cedar of Lebanon;
- 13 planted in the house of the Lord,
 - they will flourish in the courts of our God.
- 14 They will still bear fruit in old age,
- they will stay fresh and green, 15 proclaiming, "The Lord is upright;
 - he is my Rock, and there is no wickedness in him."

Philippians 3:7-14

7 But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. 8 What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ 9 and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. 10 I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, 11 and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

12 Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. 13 Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Please remain standing. 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. Music: "Celtic Alleluia" by Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker.

Mark 2:23-28

23 One Sabbath Jesus was going through the grainfields, and as his disciples walked along, they began to pick some heads of grain. 24 The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is unlawful on the Sabbath?"

25 He answered, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need? 26 In the days of Abiathar the high priest, he entered the house of God and ate the consecrated bread, which is lawful only for priests to eat. And he also gave some to his companions."

27 Then he said to them, "The Sabbath was made for people, not people for the Sabbath. 28 So the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath."

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

Homily A Day With

Rev. Kara Nichols Barrett

Musical Interlude

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

We regularly pray for needs in our community, our city, and the world as an act of obedience and love, and to align our concerns with the Lord's. If you have children with you, please feel free to use this time to teach them to pray with us, as we ask God to honor our hope that we are becoming a vibrant expression of who God is—gracious, present, hospitable.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, and let us thank God for His goodness.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, You promised through Your Son Jesus Christ to hear us when we pray in faith.

Strengthen Stephen Wood our Archbishop, Todd Hunter our Bishop, Brian Wallace our Suffragan Bishop and all Your Church in the service of Christ, that those who confess Your name may be united in Your truth, live together in Your love, and reveal Your glory in the world.

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Guide and direct, we humbly pray, the minds of all those who are called to elect fit persons to serve in the governing of our nation. Grant that in the exercise of our choice we may promote your glory, and the welfare of this nation.

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Give grace to us, our families and friends, and to all our neighbors; that we may serve Christ in one another, and love as He loves us.

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. Give them courage and hope in their troubles; and bring them the joy of Your salvation.

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Take a moment now to pray to God for your own needs.

Praise to you, abundant God, for when we ask, you give; when we seek, you show the way. When we knock, you answer. Praise to you for your unfailing grace. Make us now your faithful people. Amen. Grateful Giving Ephesians 5:2

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.



Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

words Edward Hopper (1871) music by Pacific Gold (2012)

Jesus, Savior, pilot me
Over life's tempestuous sea
Unknown waves before me roll
Hiding rock and treacherous shoal
Chart and compass come from thee
Savior, pilot me

Though the sea be smooth and bright Sparkling with the stars of night And my ship's path be ablaze With the light of halcyon days Still, I know my need of Thee Savior, pilot me Pilot me When at last I near the shore
And the fearful breakers roar
'Twixt me and the peaceful rest
Then, while leaning on thy breast
May I hear you say to me
I will pilot thee
Pilot me

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.

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

Communion

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

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:



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.

Galatians 2:20

words adapted music The Welcome Wagon (2011)

I have been crucified with Christ (x2)

And the life I now live in the flesh
It is no longer I who live

I live by faith in the son of God

But Christ who lives in me Who loved me and gave himself for me (x2)

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.

Surely

words and music Kate Bluett, Isaac Wardell, Nick Chambers and Paul Zach (2021)

chorus Surely it is God who saves us Through the da

Surely it is God who saves us Trust the Lord, don't be afraid

He's lifting us up (repeat)

With joy, with joy

We will draw water from the well We will draw water from the well

Of salvation With joy, with joy

He will set a table for us all Pouring the wine, now let it flow

In celebration / chorus

And we'll fly, we'll fly

Through the morning and the night

Through the darkness and the light

To salvation

Oh yes we'll fly, we'll fly

When He makes our darkness bright When the bridegroom meets the bride

In celebration

Oh lift up your hearts Lift up your hearts Lift up your hearts in celebration (repeat)

Oh lift up your hearts

(We lift them up to the Lord)

Lift up your hearts

(We lift them up to the Lord)

Lift up your hearts

(We lift them up) in celebration (repeat)

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.

Benediction Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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

Thanks be to God.

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

Sign up for our Weekly Friday email:

Announcements



Co-Work Fridays Bring your work to the All Souls offices the First Friday of each month— save the date for **Friday Nov 1**. Join us at 8:15a for coffee and stay for lunch, provided for you by All Souls. Bring a colleague or a neighbor who wants to work with you. Meeting rooms provided. Childcare provided from 2:30-5p and happy hour is from 4-5p.

Women's Bible study Join a small group of women this fall as we study the book of Titus together. We meet mostly every other Friday at Trinity from 9:30-11a. Our next gathering is scheduled for Friday, Nov 1. Please contact Alissa Moor (alissamoor@gmail.com) or Lydia Peterson (lydia.s.peterson@gmail.com) for more information, to arrange childcare or to pick up a book.



Learn about Mental Health First Aid to recognize and respond to signs and symptoms of mental health and substance use challenges. These are helpful skills to gain as we learn to serve together. RSVP for **Nov 16th, 9a-4p**, the Commons.

Serve Together

There are three ways you can be involved with Westside Neighbors Shelter: pray, learn, and serve.

Make Burritos for Westside Neighbors Shelter

Dates for monthly burrito making gatherings: Nov 3, Dec 8, Jan 5, Feb 2, Mar 2 | RSVP silkefanderson@gmail.com.

Make Dinner at Westside Neighbors Shelter

Tues mornings 9:30-10:30a, November-March | RSVP kara@allsoulsseattle.org

Serve Dinner at Westside Neighbors Shelter

Tues evenings 5:30-6:30p, November-March RSVP kara@allsoulsseattle.org

If you are interested in partnering with teens who serve a **youth shelter called New Horizons,** you can contact Suzanne (suzanne@allsoulsseattle.org).

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. Groups during the Fall Season have a focus on practicing Sabbath, with resources from Practicing the Way. *Find a group, p. 13.*

Youth Group —

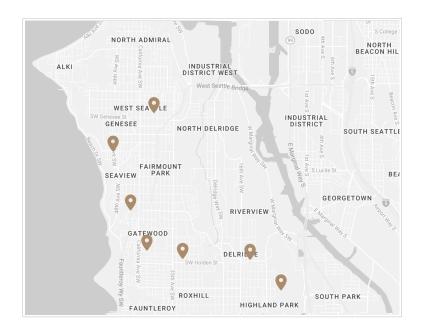
Youth group meets on **Wednesdays 6:30-8p at Trinity.** Dinner included. All middle and high school students welcome! **This week:** Bingo night for Middle School students **Tuesday Oct 29 6:30-7:30p at Village Green Retirement Home.**

Confirmation— beginning January 2025

We live in a time that largely ignores rites of passage and adolescence extends further and further into adulthood. "25 is the new 18!" (Scientific American). Confirmation is a historic church practice that offers a timely gift: a focused and generous space for young people to explore their story and the story of the living God "who is love" (1 John 4:16) as they discover their place— as they grow into adulthood— in His Kingdom of grace, justice, and peace. This January, we will launch our first 'Confirmation Cohort' for 8th graders and up, who have been baptized or want to explore baptism. The experience includes two retreats, time with a team of mentors, some Sunday evening sessions, and culminates in a special All Souls Sunday worship service. Interested? Questions? Contact: Suzanne (suzanne@allsoulsseattle.org)

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: all souls seattle.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 two classes: Lion Class (PreK-1st grade), and Bear class (2nd-5th).

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.

Both classes will meet your teachers at the back of the sanctuary.

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.

This fall, we are practicing prayers of Help, Thanks, and Wow! 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.

What's the curriculum?

Our lessons follow the big story of the Bible using content from Dwell, the Jesus Storybook Bible, and pastor created content.

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

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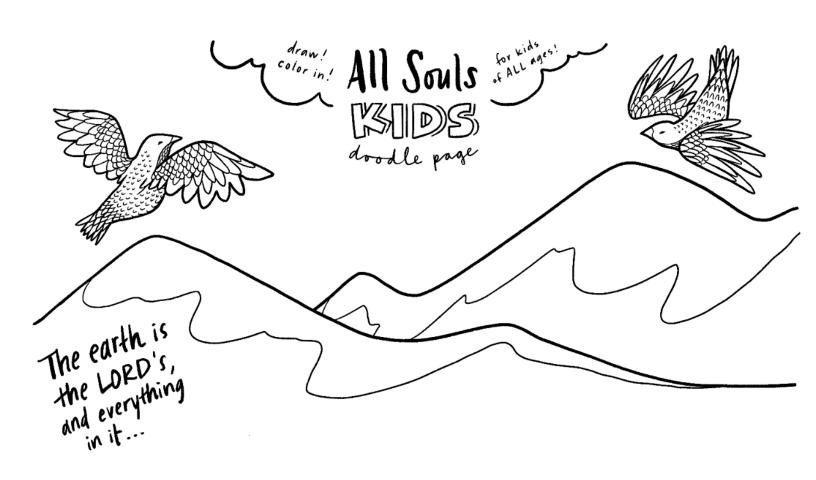
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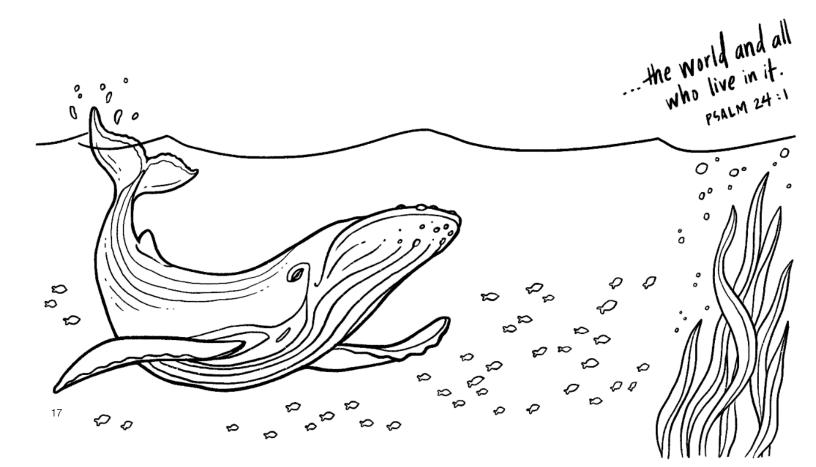
The intentional financial participation of those who consider All Souls their church home is vital. If you are not already tithing regularly, please prayerfully consider doing so. If you have questions about tithing or biblical guidelines for giving, please ask. If you are our guest today, please feel 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.

Fiscal Year 2024/25 began October 1, 2024 with the intention this year to invest in becoming "a countercultural community of the well-rested" through experiencing rest and extending rest to others. You can learn more by using the QR code >> Our new budgeted average expense is \$44,000/month.

All Souls of HEARD O	t's something you— during worship today?
Did you hear any words that were NEW to you?	Draw something that Nour IMAGINATION:
What's ONE question you'd want to ask your parents or pastors?	inspired 1
What's ONE question you'd want to ask GOD?	
Who do you want, or n. GOD to be to you today?	PRAY: Ask GOD to take care of everything your need. He always hears you, because He loves you!





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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