NEWS FROM THE PEWS AT ALL SOULS JULY 20, 2025

The mission of All Souls Church is to be a Christ-centered sanctuary where a diverse and inclusive community worships and serves. We live this mission through faithful celebration of the Eucharist, Christian education, and loving nurture of both members and neighbors.



Today 11 am Holy Eucharist

We welcome the Rev. Emily Labrecque as guest preacher today. All are welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Lord's table. Coffee Hour follows the 11 am service, downstairs in the undercroft.

Today's Readings

The First Lesson, Amos 8:1-12, Jeff Wells
Psalm 52, Jeff Wells
The Epistle, Colossians 1:15-28, Judy Andrew
Gospel, Luke 10:38-42, Clergy
Prayers of the People, Mark Hoffman

Parish Prayer List

The Washington Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for:

St. Mary Magdalene, Wheaton, St. Christopher's Church, New Carrollton, St. James' Church, Indian Head, St. James' Church, Potomac, St. James' Children's School, Potomac; St. Anne's Church, Damascus

In the Wider Anglican Communion, we pray for:

The Diocese of Hanuato'o – The Anglican Church of Melanesia

For Those Who are Sick or in Need, we pray especially for:

Sheila, Robert, Christopher, Laura, Nancy, Warren, Fleance, Shinn, Charles, Haiti, Palestine, Israel, Iran, Ukraine, Sudan, and all those grieving the loss of loved ones;

For Those Who have died, especially: All victims of recent floodings and natural catastrophes, may light perpetual shine upon them and on all the faithfully departed;

We Give Thanks for: You and all parishioners in the community of All Souls.

WE WELCOME THE REV. EMILY LABRECQUE TODAY AS GUEST PREACHER

The Rev. Emily Labrecque serves as the Missioner for Church Revitalization in the Diocese of Washington. She manages the implementation of Tending Our Soil, the signature program for church revitalization in our diocese, working closely with and providing support for all of the congregations in Tending Our Soil, including their clergy, congregational team and coaches.



CELEBRATING THE "JEWEL BOX": ALL SOULS STAINED GLASS WE REACHED OUR GOAL!

Thank you to all who donated to the cost of the insurance assessment of All Souls stained glass windows. The goal was \$3000 and \$3050 was raised. This amount covers the \$3000 cost with \$50 going toward the Stained Glass Fund. We are thrilled to be able to move forward with the assessment. See the flyer on the welcome table for more detailed information regarding these funds.

EPISCOPAL 101—FOUNDATIONAL COURSE WITH MOTHER SARA PALMER COMING IN SEPTEMBER!

This class is designed for the curious, skeptic, seeker, new or experienced church person. It is open to anyone who wants to learn more or needs a

refresher course about the Episcopal Church. If you are curious about what it means to be an Episcopalian, join us and find out more!

Day / Time: Class will meet Wednesday evenings, 6:30-7:30 pm

Dates: Sept. 10—Oct. 22, 2025 in person.

Register using the QR code or email Andrea at office@allsoulsdc.org.

FORWARD DAY BY DAY DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Do you want to get closer to God? Please take a **free** copy of the Episcopal Bible reading booklet Forward Day by Day, found at the Welcome Table in the Undercroft. The readings begin in August and cover 3 months. Reading this booklet daily helps us center our lives in God and receive God's peace and unconditional love for the day. There is also an online app version available for your phone titled "Forward Day by Day." Questions? Email Mother Sara: rector@allsoulsdc.org

SIGN UP GENIUS FOR ALL SOULS SIGN UPS

We will now be offering online sign up for ministries and activities. However, you may always email or call the church office as well if you wish and we will also have the sign up sheet on the welcome table as usual. We just want to offer this option for those of you who would like this convenience. Find online sign ups at allsoulsdc.org/sign-up-here.



A Message Regarding the Distribution of All Souls Endowment Grants Thank you for your generosity!

by John Wiecking, Endowment Board

or many years All Souls' has made use of the generosity of former parishioners, as expressed in our endowment, to assist local organizations that do Christ's work in our community, as defined by long-established criteria. This year the Vestry made available \$10,000. A subcommittee of the Endowment Board solicited applications and recently were gratified by Vestry approval of its choices of eight organizations to receive more or less equally sized grants. Parishioners should be aware of the organizations' names and scope of activity, as they are now in a real sense part of our community:

Negotiation Works trains vulnerable people in using negotiation rather than violence to achieve their goals. All Souls sent \$1250.00.

Anne's Place houses and supports people with chronic mental illness or other disabilities. All Souls sent \$1250.00.

Woodley House provides supportive housing and services for DC residents facing mental health disorders. All Souls sent \$1500.00.

Washington School for Girls provides an all-scholarship, academic and faith-based program for elementary and middle-school girls. All Souls sent 1250.00.

Family & Youth Initiative provides services to teens who have aged out of foster care. All Souls sent \$750.00.

The Bishop Walker School provides an all-scholarship, academic and faith-based program for elementary-aged boys. All Souls sent \$1250.00.

The Cleveland/Woodley Park Village creates opportunities for older adults to be actively engaged, supports those who need it with volunteer assistance, and works to create a welcoming community for residents of all ages. All Souls sent \$1300.00.

Christ House provides medical care for homeless men. All Souls sent \$1450.00.



All Souls Parish Potluck Picnic Sunday, JULY 27, 12:15 pm

Meet downstairs in the undercroft at 12:15 pm and bring something to share. This will take the place of coffee hour that day. We will celebrate summer and enjoy some fellowship and good food! Sign up on the

welcome table or use QR code.



