

NEWS FROM THE PEWS AT ALL SOULS

OCTOBER 5, 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



*The Reverend Sara Palmer, Rector
Celebrant & Preacher*

*All are welcome to receive
Holy Communion at the Lord's table.*

Recognizing our New Members

Today during the announcements we ask new members to come forward to be recognized and receive a special goody bag. We give thanks to God for you and welcome you into the All Souls Church family.

Sterrett Family Garden Blessing

Today's service will conclude outdoors with a thanksgiving prayer, dedication and blessing of the new Sterrett Garden.

A Brief Look at the History, Architecture and Stained Glass of All Souls

immediately following today's service
Join Jr. Warden, Jeff Wells at the Baptismal font.

Today's Coffee Hour

Thank you Outreach Committee

Please join us in the undercroft after the service and/or stained glass tour at coffee hour, for fellowship and refreshments hosted by Sheila Arbury & the Outreach Committee.

Today's Readings

The First Lesson, Lamentations 1:1-6
Daniel Callis

Psalm 137
ASC Choir

The Epistle, 2 Timothy 1:1-14
Heidi Rasciner

Gospel, Luke 17:5-10
Mother Sara

Prayers of the People,
vEnessa Acham

*The altar flowers are given in thanksgiving
of the Healing Prayer Ministry*

*Laying on of hands for healing is available
today and on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the
month, after Holy Communion
at the Mary Chapel.*

Thank you Lisa and Al for serving today.



St. Francis Blessing of the Animals Today at 3:00 pm in the garden

Please bring your beloved pet for Mother Sara to bless. If your pet needs extra care, please bring in an enclosed carrier. We celebrated the Blessing of the Animals last year and will do so every year at All Souls!

Autumn Calendar Dates

FAITH FORUM SERIES

OCT 5: *Stories Jesus Still Tells* by John Claypool with presenter Peter Laugesen. Matthew 20:1-16: The Vineyard Owner and his Workers (Ch. 2)

OCT 12: *Stories Jesus Still Tells* by John Claypool with presenter Peter Laugesen. Matthew 25:31-46: The Final Judgment (Ch. 10)

OCT 19: *Spiritual Journey Interview* with presenter Mother Sara Palmer

OCT 19: *African Bible Study: Lectio Divina* with presenter Mother Sara Palmer

MENS FELLOWSHIP IN THE UNDERCROFT

This Wed., OCT. 8, 5:30 pm

This get together will begin with a fellowship hour at 5:30 pm followed by dinner and a short talk by one of our members. If you plan to attend please email Ike Brannon at chiefdeputyusher@gmail.com. All Men are invited and feel free to invite a friend!

WOODLEY HOUSE FOOD COLLECTION

Sunday, Oct. 12 (Second Sunday of Month)

Next week is the **Second Sunday of the month, October 12th**, and that is the day that we collect food donations for the Woodley House Food Pantry. We collect food for their once-a-week distribution to many families and individuals who are food insecure from the surrounding neighborhood. An article in the Washington Post of September 29th, "Critical food insecurity still rising in the D.C. region," highlighted the growing need across the city, including "hidden hunger" among those who have never been food insecure before. The article pointed out some reasons for the growing crisis, including the retraction in Medicaid and SNAP (Food Stamp) benefits, and high food prices. Please be generous and help your neighbors out! Last month we collected 11 bags of food for the food pantry, so let's try to break that record this month. When you go to the grocery store this week,

pick up a few extra items from the Woodley House list of desired items (***list is on the Welcome table***) and bring them to church with you on October 12th. You may place them in the narthex (off the parking lot and adjacent to the sanctuary), in the bin or the wagon there. If you cannot bring the food on October 12th, bring it with you another Sunday and put it in the bin in the undercroft. Thank you!

THE HISTORY AND CRAFTSMANSHIP OF STAINED GLASS AT ALL SOULS

Sat., Oct 25, 2:30 pm

ALL SOULS CHURCH FLUTE AND PIANO BENEFIT CONCERT

Sat., OCT. 25, 4:00 pm



KEEP THE FAITH

The Capital Hearings invite you to **"Keep the Faith."** Members of All Souls Episcopal Church can enjoy **\$15 tickets** with promo code **ALLSOULS**. We'd love to share this special evening of music with you!

SATURDAY **OCTOBER** **AT 08:00 PM**
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MORE INFO

thecapitalhearings.com



Live! at 10th & G
945 G St NW, Washington,
DC 20001



Dedication of Our New Garden today

We are thrilled to announce the completion of the new Sterrett Family Garden at the base of our bell tower. Mother Sara will lead its dedication today, October 5th at the end of the worship service with several Sterrett family members in attendance. Since its founding in 1911 by our First Rector, James MacBride Sterrett, the Sterrett family has shaped the history, art, and architecture of All Souls Parish. Frank Sterrett, the great grandson of our founder, spearheaded this latest gift with a comprehensive landscape plan for the entire church, and then with contributions from Sterrett family members across the country, funded the creation of the

Sterrett Family Garden. We are so grateful to Frank and all his cousins for their generosity. We are also enormously thankful for Larry Amon, the Chair of the All Souls Garden Guild, who partnered with Frank in this venture early on, and whose leadership, vision, and innovative thinking helped the garden plan come to fruition. We hope the Sterrett Family Garden at All Souls will remain a place of welcome, beauty, and contemplation for everyone, parishioners and neighbors alike.

The Vestry of All Souls Parish

THE HISTORY AND CRAFTSMANSHIP OF STAINED GLASS AT ALL SOULS EPISCOPAL CHURCH PRESENTED BY JED BOERTLEIN OF WASHINGTON ART GLASS STUDIO

Saturday, October 25th at 2:30 pm in Nave
Jeff Wells, Junior Warden, host and coordinator

A Piano and Flute Benefit Concert follows in the Nave. Come for one or both.

Jed's presentation will last about an hour and feature the following:

- ◇ His family's artisan history with stained glass
- ◇ His family's history with the stained glass at All Souls Church.
- ◇ A demonstration and discussion of the fabrication of stained glass stenciling, coloring, etc.
- ◇ Discussion and questions about specific All Souls stained-glass windows

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
No registration required. Doors open at 2:00 pm.

All Souls Near the Zoo | 2300 Cathedral Ave., NW Washington DC 20008
allsoulsdc.org 202.232-4244

Parish Prayer List

The Washington Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for:

Pray for children's health and for healthcare for all children (Oct 6 – Child Health Day);

In the Wider Anglican Communion, we pray for:

The Anglican Church of Tanzania;

For those who are sick or in need, we pray especially for:

Robert, Christopher, Laura, Warren, Shinn, Charles, Jan, Haiti, Palestine, Israel, Iran, Ukraine, Sudan;

For those who have died, especially, Nancy Jane Finamore, the mother of Village Executive Director Frank Finamore, who entered the larger life on Sun., Sept. 28 at the age of 95;

We Give Thanks for: the new Sterrett Garden and all who have contributed their vision, time and finances toward it.

Piano and Flute Concert

at All Souls Church

Saturday, October 25 at 4:00 pm in the Nave

All Souls Episcopal Church presents Sara Zhu, flute, and David Palmer, piano in a chronological journey of collaborative music.

Selections will include Bach, Gaubert, Hindemith, Palmer, and more.

Sara Zhu is a genre blending flutist, vocalist, and songwriter based in the Washington, DC area. Zhu performs regularly as both a leader and side-woman in many of DC's staple establishments including Blues Alley, The Kennedy Center, Strathmore, and The Kreeger Museum. She is featured on Alfred Yun's recent album, "Voice and Phenomenon," amongst many other recording projects. In addition to performing, Zhu is an avid educator, serving as the adjunct flute and jazz combo instructor at St. Mary's College of Maryland. Zhu is currently working on the first album with her alternative rock band, Your Trusted Officials. Their single, "Everglades," is currently available on all streaming platforms.



David Palmer is a music teacher, performer, and Since moving to the DMV in 2020, he has worked as a piano teacher for children, church musician, and an instructor for Wesley Seminary. He holds a Ph.D. in music theory from the Eastman School of Music, has a jazz trio, and plays music at a regional hospital and at a hospice facility.

ADMISSION IS FREE | ALL WELCOME!

**Donations will be received for Woodley House,
a neighborhood home for those with mental disorders.**