News From The Pews
November 26, 2026 | Thanksgiving Day

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 neighbor

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The Rev. Sara E. Palmer, Rector

11 am Holy Eucharist

All are welcome to the Lord's table for Holy Eucharist.

The First Lesson
Deuteronomy 8:7-18
Dee Snyder

Psalm 65
Dee Snyder

The Epistle
2 Corinthians 9:6-15
Annie Plews

The Gospel
Luke 17:11-19
Mother Sara

Prayers of the People
Annie Plews

Offertory & Communion Anthems Cantor
We welcome
Victoria Williams





ALL SOULS ARE INVITED TO OUR THANKSGIVING POTLUCK FOLLOWING THE SERVICE IN THE DOWNSTAIRS UNDERCROFT

We thank all who have coordinated this event, brought food, set up the room and who will stay to help clean up. We are especially grateful to vEnessa Acham and Dee Snyder, our hospitality team and for Kevin LeGrand who made sure we had roasted turkeys!

ALL SOULS MUSIC IS THANKFUL FOR GRAND PIANO DONATION

All Souls are most grateful to Jill Strachan for donating her Aunt Molly's Fischer baby grand piano to us for rehearsal use in our choir room in the fall of 2026.

COMING UP:

THIS SUNDAY IS THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, Nov. 29

10 am Faith Forum (Advent Book Study) | 11 am Holy Eucharist / Noon coffee hour

MEN'S HOLIDAY GATHERING EVENT is Thursday, Dec. 10 beginning at 5:30 pm

Join the Men's Fellowship for a festive evening of great food, drinks, and good company! We'll be gathering around the piano to sing your favorite Christmas carols, and we'd love to see you there. Ike Brannon and Joe Neal will be heading up the festivities.

WE ARE THANKFUL FOR ALL THOSE ALREADY SIGNED UP FOR THE ADVENT QUIET MORNING RETREAT, SAT., DEC. 5th, 10am-1pm
led by Mother Sara

"Come apart and rest awhile," Jesus says.

Please come and join others in our All Souls family on Saturday, December 5th from 10 am to 1 pm. for an Advent Retreat. Bring a brown bag lunch for yourself.

Please email your interest in coming on December 5th to Mother Sara: rector@allsoulsdc.org

WE ARE THANKFUL TO ALL WHO GIVE TO THE WOODLEY HOUSE FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION, Sun., Dec. 13.

A shopping list is available on the welcome table and the Outreach Committee that oversees this ministry thanks you in advance for your generosity, especially at this time of the year.

WE ARE THANKFUL THAT ALL OF THE ORNAMENTS WERE TAKEN HOME FROM THE CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE!

All the ornaments have been taken to be exchanged with a gift and just a reminder the gifts should be wrapped **and brought to the church by December 13th**. They will be taken to Housing Up on the 15th. Thank you for bringing joy to a child as we anticipate Jesus' birth at Christmas, God's best-ever gift to all of humankind.

WE ARE THANKFUL FOR ALL WHO MAKE FLOWER & MUSIC DEDICATIONS SEASONALLY AND THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

Contact Andrea in the office (office@allsoulsdc.org.) if you would like to check on a date for a special dedication.

WE ARE THANKFUL FOR ALL THOSE WHO FACILITATE OUR FAITH FORUM ON SUNDAY MORNINGS & ALL THOSE WHO ATTEND at 10 AM

November

29 - Advent Book Study with Jennifer Mindek Beckham

The Advent book is available on Amazon for $10.22 or Audible or Kindle and is titled, "All Creation Waits" by Gayle Boss.

December

6 - Advent Book Study *with* Jennifer Mindek Beckham
13 - Advent Book Study *with* Sebastian Wellford
20 - Advent Book Study *with* Mother Sara

January

10 - Spiritual Journey Interview (Rev. Sara Palmer)

17 - Protest Music: Prophetic Voices in Popular Culture - Struggles of the Working Class, Racism, Misogyny, and LGBTQ Phobia (David Palmer)

24 - Protest Music: Prophetic Voices in Popular Culture - Social Inequity, War, Environmental Problems, and Authoritarianism (David Palmer)

31 - Lectio Divina on Exodus 3:7-12 in Commemoration of Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., Pastor and Martyr and Black History Month (Rev. Sara Palmer)

PARISH PRAYER LIST

The Washington Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for:
Thanksgiving Day *(Nov 26)* – Pray for a depth of gratitude that turns what we have into enough and more.

In the Anglican Communion Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: The Church of England

For those who are sick or in need, we pray especially for: Larry Drell (husband of Vicki Drell), Kathy Mazzuchi and her incredible family (friends of Abbey Stuckless), Maria Orrett's friend Anna, Elaine Grierson, dear friend of Olivia & Ian Hodgson, Jesse Kim (friend of Carri Banholzer), Sandra Duncan (friend of Jody Koepp-Norris), Al Muller, Will Dawson's grandmother, Sally Cliff, Davis Ival, Cuba, Haiti, Palestine, Israel, Iran, Ukraine, Sudan; for all children everywhere.

For those who have died, we pray for: Chris Davis who passed into eternal life and was husband of parishioner Mary Davis and father to daughters Sasha and Kara. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

We are thankful: for our Rector, Mother Sara; our Wardens and Vestry, Stewardship Committee and Finance Committee and all of their hard work not only at this time but throughout the year. We are thankful for our great hospitality team who is working hard making our Thanksgiving meal an enjoyment for all.



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