

NEWS FROM THE PEWS at All Souls

AUGUST 30, 2026

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.



THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



The Rev. Sara E. Palmer, Rector

11 am Holy Eucharist

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

Today's Readings

The First Lesson Jeremiah 15:15-21

Peter Laugesen

Psalm 26:1-8

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The Epistle Romans 12:9-21

Chapman Zon

The Gospel Matthew 16:21-28

The Rev. Sara Palmer

Prayers of the People *Jim Solomon*

Sat., Sept. 12, 9:30 am — 12:30 pm ALL SOULS NAVE AND CAMPUS CLEAN UP

All Souls Jr. Warden, Tara Mancini will lead us on a Saturday morning clean up from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm.

Please won't you come to help clean and beautify the church ahead of Incoming Sunday, on September 13. Come for part or all. Sign up with QR



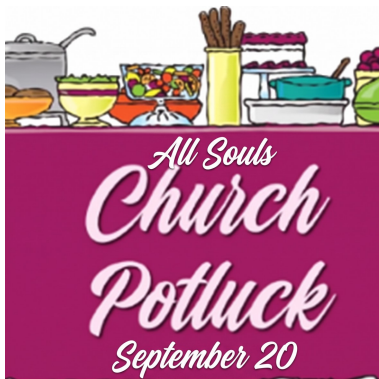
code or on the website

under the "Sign Up Here" tab.

Breakfast and snacks will be provided!



Sun., Sept. 13, Noon IN THE UNDERCROFT AFTER THE INGATHERING



This is our annual "back to church" Sunday and we look forward to having everyone together after summer! Burgers, hotdogs, rolls and condiments will be provided. Please sign up to bring a side dish or dessert for 10 people. Thank you!

SHARE YOUR VIEWS!

On August 31, be sure to check your email for your copy of our All Souls Parish Survey. It's been many years since we last surveyed our membership, and we want to hear from you!



Your feedback will help support our church in living into our mission statement, and it will help us identify ways to strengthen our growth as a Christ-centered community. Your email will include a link that will take you to our Google survey.

The on-line survey should only take about 10 minutes to complete, and responses will be anonymous. If you are unable to take the survey through your phone or computer, we will work with you to provide a paper copy.

We'll continue to remind you that the *survey is coming between now and August 31*. We'll ask that all responses be *submitted no later than September 18*. Thank you in advance for making your voices heard!

PARISH PRAYER LIST

The Washington Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for:

The life, witness, and ministry of Deacon David Pendleton Oakerhater (*Sep 1*) Campus Ministries and the students they serve; National Association of Episcopal Schools; Pray for all students and teachers.

For those who are sick or in need, we pray especially for: Sandra Duncan (friend of Jody Koepp-Norris), Al Muller, Will Dawson's grandmother, Sally Cliff, Davis Ival, Somyaprava, Jeffrey R., Haiti, Palestine, Israel, Iran, Ukraine, Sudan; for rain and less wind and cooler temperatures in areas that need it; for all children everywhere.

For those who have died: especially for Mark Bertini's mother, Edith, who passed away on Thursday morning, August 27; Holly Anne Crane Smith, the sister-in-law of Jeff Wells; and for Ted Hartz, husband of Mary. May they and all the faithfully departed rest in peace.



Foyer Groups Re-Launch

by vEnessa Acham, Vestry Member

Our parish is re-launching **Foyer Groups**—small gatherings of 6–8 people who share a meal and enjoy relaxed fellowship. Each group remains the same throughout the program and meets twice: once in October 2026 and again in March 2027. Last year, three groups participated, and all reported wonderful experiences.

We are seeking a **Foyer Organizer** to coordinate the program, as well as **Foyer Hosts** to welcome members and facilitate each gathering. Everyone shares in the hospitality, helping to make these meetings warm, joyful, and memorable.

We also invite you to join a Foyer Group!

To join a Foyer Group or volunteer as an Organizer or Host, please sign up online at allsoulsdc.org or complete a foyer form available on the Welcome Table in the Undercroft or Narthex.



Dates to Note

Sun., August 30
14th Sunday after Pentecost

Sun., Sept. 6
15th Sunday after
Pentecost
Labor Day Weekend
(Offices closed 9/7)

Sat., Sept. 12
ALL SOULS NAVE AND
CAMPUS CLEAN UP
SIGN UP Today!

Sun., Sept. 13
Ingathering Sunday
16th Sunday after Pentecost

- ♦ Woodley House Food Pantry Collection
- ♦ Faith Formation Resumes in Conference Room at 10 am
- ♦ Church Nursery Opens!
- ♦ Potluck after service in the Undercroft (sign up today! See QR code on front)

Wed., Sept. 16, 6:30-7:30 pm
Sept. 16 thru Oct. 28, 2026

EPISCOPAL 101 with Mother Sara
begins Sept. 16. Meets in-person in the conference room. Email Mother Sara at rector@allsoulsdc.org to sign up.



Sun., Sept. 20
17th Sunday after Pentecost

Sun., Sept. 27
18th Sunday after Pentecost

Sat., Oct. 3
CAPITAL AREA FOOD
BANK SIGN UP Today!
See QR code.

Our parish's next volunteer event at the Capital Area Food Bank is on Sat., Oct. 3, from 1 pm to 3:30 pm. Please mark that on our calendars now and sign up using the sign up sheet on the welcome table in the Undercroft, [the electronic sign-up](#), or by texting Kurt Jacobs at (202) 445-5527. Please consider inviting friends and relatives, especially persons you'd like to introduce to, and join, our parish. We are to provide around twenty (20) volunteers, and it is always a lot of fun!



Sun., Oct. 4
19th Sunday after Pentecost
ST. FRANCIS
BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS at 3:00 pm
in front of the church.

Dear Friends,

Next week All Souls is making changes to our church database (called Realm). Parishioners with an online account will begin to have online access to the contact information of all other members - just as they would have with our printed parish directory. Our printed directory comes out less often than in the past due to constant updates and printing costs. As part of making those changes, some of you may get an email from Realm announcing your Realm privacy settings have changed. You can ignore that email. If you don't have an online account in Realm but would like to establish one, please reach out to me at office. There is also a Realm app available for mobile devices. If you have any questions or concerns about our changes, please reach out to me.

Thank you,
Andrea Meier, Parish Administrator





FALL CONCERT

Join us for an afternoon of
a cappella & fellowship

Fundraiser for the Cleveland Woodley Park Village

NEW DATE!

SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 7, 2026

Concert begins at 4:00 pm in
the All Souls Sanctuary

Light reception to follow

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