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News From the Pews

This Sunday

September 21, 2025
The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

11 am Holy Eucharist
The Rev. Sara Palmer, Rector

10 am Faith Forum
African Bible Study:
Lectio Divina
with presenter Mother Sara

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

*Healing Prayer is available at the
Mary Chapel following Holy Eucharist.*

The altar flowers are given

*to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Jim Pridgen
by Art Warren*

*We appreciate JoAnn LaFon for
facilitating coffee hour this week.*



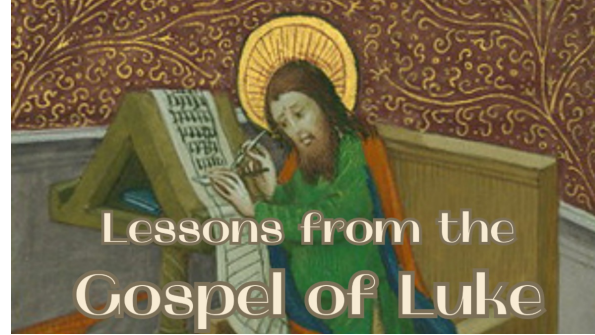
GOD'S HEALING MINISTRY AT ALL SOULS *by The Rev. Sara E. Palmer, Rector*

On the first and third Sundays of each month, we will offer Healing Prayer after Holy Eucharist in the side Mary Chapel. Two Healing Ministers, whom I have trained, will be standing there awaiting you. We are thankful to Al Muller and Lisa Watson who have served for years in this important ministry of God's love; Elizabeth Ellis, Vicky Drell, vEnessa Acham and Janelle Diller will now join Al and Lisa on the schedule.

The God of the Bible is a God of healing. In Exodus 15: 23-26, God showed Moses a piece of wood to throw into the bitter water of Marah; immediately it became sweet and potable for God's thirsty people in the desert. God reveals here God's Name in Hebrew as YHWH (God's unpronounceable name) Ropheka: "I am the LORD who heals you." In the New Testament, Jesus' divinity is revealed in the four Gospels through His multiple healings and even raising people from the dead! Jesus fulfilled Isaiah 53:5 by His death on the cross which removed our sins and can bring healing: "By his wounds, we are healed." Peter's first letter chapter 2: 23-25 repeats this truth.

After Pentecost (Acts 2), when God poured out the Holy Spirit upon the believers gathered in the Upper Room, God gave, and continues to give, gifts (plural) of healing to God's church, to be used for God's glory and the common good: 1 Corinthians 12: 9 (see verses 4-11). After receiving Holy Communion, please go to the Mary Chapel. A Healing Minister will ask you: "For whom do you pray?" You may pray for yourself and/or someone else. They will ask your permission to lay a hand on your head as they pray for you. In these stressful and scary times we live in, please do avail yourself of this moving and caring ministry! Our Ministers are instruments of God's love and we leave the results of the prayers in God's hands. All prayer requests are confidential.

If you have any questions about the Healing Ministry, you can email Mother Sara: rector@allsoulsdc.org



Sunday's Readings

The First Lesson,
Jeremiah 8:18-9:1,
Annie Plews

Psalm 79:1-9,
ASC Choir

The Epistle,
1 Timothy 2:1-7,
Artie Roach

Gospel,
Luke 16:1-13,
Mother Sara Palmer

Prayers of the People,
John Wiecking

Leaflet for Sunday [9.21.25](#)

The Offertory Anthem

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind | C.H.H. Parry
sung by All Souls Choir

1 Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
forgive our foolish ways!
Reclothe us in our rightful mind;
in purer lives Thy service find,
in deeper reverence, praise.

2 In simple trust like theirs who heard,
beside the Syrian sea,
the gracious calling of the Lord,
let us, like them, without a word
Rise up and follow Thee.

3 O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with Thee
the silence of eternity,
interpreted by love!

4 Breathe through the heats of our desire
Thy coolness and Thy balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake, wind and fire,
O still small voice of calm!

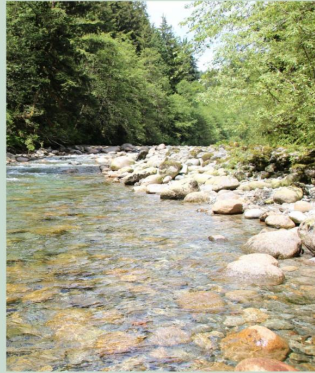
September Events

Rock Creek Clean Up Morning

Sat., Sept. 20
9:30 am-Noon

- Meet in Church lot to travel together
- Bring gloves and wear sunscreen/hat
- Bring shovels, weeders, trash bags
- Bring snacks and water bottle if needed
- You may stay longer than Noon if wish to
- Sebastian Wellford is the ASC Lead
He can be reached at swell11@vt.edu.

Sign Up here OR online!



It's not too late to join tomorrow's Rock Creek Clean Up!

Don't miss out on
a fun day outdoors helping
the community
and making friends!

All are welcome, please email Sebastian
Wellford (seabasswellford@gmail.com).

WOODLEY PARK DAY, tomorrow, Sat., Sept. 20, 2-6 pm. [Click here for more info.](#)

FAITH FORUM SERIES FOR AUTUMN 2025 | [Click here for the full schedule](#)

This Sun., Sept. 21 | African Bible Study: Lectio Divina with presenter Mother Sara.

Next Week, Sept. 28 | Stories Jesus Still Tells, by John Claypool with presenter Peter Laugesen. Why Parables? Why Stories?



COFFEE WITH MOTHER SARA | NEXT SUN., SEPT. 28

If you are new to All Souls in the last six months, please do grab a coffee and snack downstairs and **come up in the Conference room at 12:15 pm** to meet Mother Sara. This is a great way to make new friends and also have your questions answered about the Episcopal Church and about All Souls.

October Fellowship Opportunities

20'S AND 30'S GET TOGETHER, SAVE THE DATE! |

FRI., OCT. 3, 6:30 pm

Mark your calendars for "BYOH" (Bring Your Own Hot sauce) mixer as it will involve food! It will be happening from 6:30 pm-8:30 pm in the undercroft. Contact [Joe Neal](#) for more information. [SIGN UP online](#) or in person at the Welcome table.

MENS FELLOWSHIP IN THE UNDERCROFT |

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 are welcome; invite a friend!

October 5
A Special Welcome,
Tour and Blessing

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR NEW FRIENDS

Sun., OCT. 5 during the 11 am service

A goody bag for new members and all those continuing to visit All Souls will be presented during the service.

**A BRIEF LOOK AT THE HISTORY, ARCHITECTURE
AND STAINED GLASS OF ALL SOULS**

Sun., OCT. 5, after the 11 am service

with Jr. Warden, Jeff Wells as tour guide. No registration required.



ST. FRANCIS BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS SERVICE |

SUN. OCT. 5 at 3 pm

Join Mother Sara and parishioners in the front garden of the church for a blessing of animals. All leashed or caged animals are welcome. Open to the community.

October 25
Stained Glass Prez & Benefit Concert

THE HISTORY AND CRAFTSMANSHIP OF STAINED GLASS AT ALL SOULS PRESENTED BY JED BOERTLINE OF WASHINGTON ART GLASS STUDIOS

We are thrilled to announce that Jed Boertline, of Washington Art Glass, whose family has been caring for the windows of All Souls for nearly a century, has agreed to give a stained glass presentation to us on Saturday, October 25th at 2:30 pm.

Jeff Wells, Junior Warden, host and coordinator

A Piano and Flute Benefit Concert follows at 4pm - providing ASC an opportunity to invite the neighborhood for a delightful afternoon.

Jed's presentation will be no more than 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 stenciling, coloring etc.
- ◇ Discussion and questions about specific All Souls stained-glass windows.

THE HISTORY AND CRAFTSMANSHIP OF STAINED GLASS AT ALL SOULS

Sat., Oct 25, 2:30 pm

Presentation by Jed Boertline of Washington Art Glass Studios whose family has been caretaker to our glass for years. Stay for the concert afterward and make a day of it.

ALL SOULS CHURCH FLUTE AND PIANO BENEFIT CONCERT

Sat., OCT. 25, 4:00 pm

Come enjoy David Palmer on Piano and Sara Zhu on flute in the Nave of All Souls. Free! Donations will be given in aid of Woodley House.

November Music Offering

TOM ANDREW BENEFIT ORGAN RECITAL

Sun., NOV. 23, 3:00 pm

Free and open to all! In the Nave. Donations to support the Music program at All Souls.

Directory Update

PLEASE CHECK YOUR DIRECTORY LISTING

There are copies of the first draft of the directory at the Welcome Table and Narthex. We ask you to please check your information and then initial next to it that it is correct or make necessary edits. We are going for 100% photos this year! Please submit a photo to andrea@allsoulsdc.org if you need to add or update yours. Thank you! We plan to have an updated directory the first week in October.

Prayer Intentions for Sept. 21

The Washington Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for:

St. Matthew's Church/San Mateo, Hyattsville; St. Matthew's Day School, Hyattsville; United Nations International Day of Peace (September 22) Pray for peace and benevolence among all nations; Pray for international human rights and all organizations and individuals that promote peace and justice worldwide;

In the Wider Anglican Communion, we pray for:

The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan;

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

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

We Give Thanks for: the Ministry of Mother Sara Palmer as Rector of All Souls and for all of our Lay Ministry Leaders.

Ministry List

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