

Membership at All Souls

One of our core beliefs at All Souls is that we make church together. We welcome all at All Souls -- anyone can come, worship, receive pastoral care, serve, or attend a class -- but when people discern that they want to be a member of this body, we understand this to come with a sense of responsibility. What you see listed below are not rules but the expectations of our community life together. Please prayerfully consider these six ways of being as you discern how you want to make church with us.

Worship with us. We ask you to join us on Sundays to worship God -- bringing your joys and sorrows, your experiences of brokenness and of healing -- to share with us as we gather at the Lord's Table. In time, our hope is that you help us prepare the space, greet, welcome, sing, read Scripture, lead prayers, and share the Eucharist, so that all will be able to receive food for the journey in the week to come.

Eat with us. Inspired by the breaking of bread together, we continue the Feast by sharing meals as a parish. Join us throughout the year as we gather around tables at church, in our homes, and all over town because when we enjoy good conversation, when we laugh and celebrate, when we savor good food, we are Christ to each other, we are the beloved community.

Learn with us. When you learn with us at All Souls you nurture your heart, mind, and soul. Join us on Sundays by taking an active role in enriching your understanding of scripture, engaging with the issues of our world, and the practices of our faith, as well as connecting with fellow parishioners to deepen your relationships with one another.

Pray with us. Join us as we deepen our relationship with God through daily prayer and meditation, personally and as a community. Prayer creates in us a space to discern God's desires and guides our response through ancient practices, by worship, in small groups, and through spiritual direction.

Serve with us. Join us by participating in multigenerational faith-based actions that respond to the needs in our local community, the nation, and the world. Prepare and serve a meal to the homeless in our midst; provide accompaniment to recently released immigrant detainees; advocate for peace and racial justice; take action to protect our fragile environment.

Give with us. Realizing that all we have comes from God, we give freely and generously of our talents and skills, our care for one another, and our physical and financial resources. Join us in giving your time and skills, as well as giving through the offering plates during worship, in response to special appeals, and, most significantly, through an annual pledge of meaningful financial support for our ministry in service of God's mission.