

The Life of Christian Formation



The Cathedral of All Souls
2010

Mission Statement

All Souls is a eucharistically centered cathedral whose life is formed by scripture, the baptismal covenant, and our engagement with the world about us. It is a community where all are welcome, trust is present, risks are taken, and where our gifts and graces enable us to be who God knows us to be.

About this Guide

I always find it interesting to see what kind of things people have on the walls of their homes and offices. For me, they serve as icons into the things that have particular meaning for those persons. It is not a coincidence that in my office you will find an icon of St. Catherine, a chalice, a picture of the altar and baptismal font at St. Andrew's in Jackson, Mississippi, a poster of The Blues Brothers, a Far Side Calendar and various pictures of my family. All of these represent various moments that have formed and shaped me. They are experiences that have informed me about myself, the people in my life, the whole creation and how God is present to us.

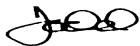
Formation is a word that describes what it means to be growing in our relationship to God, and each other. Formation is the relationship between our life experience and the rituals/practices through which we see and understand those experiences. Family rituals and faith rituals give the context, the forming stories and experiences through which we see and learn. They connect us to our foundations and speak of our dreams. They tell us what is important to us and from where we have found hope and meaning as human beings.

I have often said that I cannot recall a single lesson from my fourth grade Sunday School class, but I can tell you a whole lot about our teachers and remember vividly the occasions where we were invited into their homes for special events. I can't recall the lectionary lessons or sermons of any particular season growing up, yet I can tell you in vivid details how the church appeared on Christmas Eve, during Lent and that there was deep teaching in the experience of being allowed to fall asleep in my parent's lap at midnight services. As well, I recall vividly playing on the floor of the diocesan 'thrift shop' where my mother volunteered regularly.

This booklet is a guide of formation. It describes the ways, the practices and rituals through which we at All Souls Cathedral find God, each other and our own lives. They remind us that God comes to us in many and varied ways. They remind us that it is our chosen commitment to each other and to God, our chosen commitment to communal rhythms and rituals that leads us into the life, mystery and hope of God.

May this guide be a companion in your and our being "formed in Christ" (St. Paul). May it lead to a deeper connection to God and all of God's creation.

Peace,



Todd Donatelli

Dean

+Sunday Liturgies

Holy Eucharist with Healing

7:45 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and 11:15 a.m.

Nursery provided beginning at 8:45 a.m.

+Weekday Liturgies at The Cathedral of All Souls

Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.— Contemplative Evening Prayer

Wednesday at noon and 5:45 p.m.— Holy Eucharist

Seasonal Liturgies Include

Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday, Holy Week: including Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, Easter Vigil, Easter Sunday, Bishop's Visit, Pentecost, All Saints, The Feast of All Souls.

It is often said that if you wish to know what Episcopalians believe, come worship and pray with us. It is in our liturgy that we hear and respond to God as a Community. It is here that we are a people engaged in "Common Prayer."

Family Ministries

The Rev. Thomas Murphy, 274-2681

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Families, both those we choose and those we are born into, are central to our growth. The Family Ministry programs at All Souls seek to strengthen all of our family ties. The programs we offer are varied, yet they all seek to help us grow both individually and collectively as members of Christ's family on earth.

Worship and Children

Gospel for Children—At both the 9 a.m., and 11:15 a.m., services the children are invited to the Children's Chapel during the gospel and sermon. The crucifer leads them out just before the reading of the gospel, and they return at the Peace. Children's Chapel is patterned after the main service and includes the gospel reading, short homily/discussion of the gospel, and instruction about worship and our church year.

Choirs—Participation in worship by the St. Cecilia Choir and the St. Nicholas Choir greatly enhances our common worship. Please refer to the music section of this booklet for information about participation in the children's choirs.

Nursery—There are paid professionals staffing our nursery from 8:45 a.m., through the 11:15 a.m., service.

Christian Formation for Children

Until the 1800's, Christian Formation was centered in the home. While we offer the opportunities listed below, we still affirm the home as the primary place of Christian education and formation. Our aim is to provide opportunities for all of us to grow in our understanding of our call as Christians at church and in our daily lives.

Church School – Our church school curriculum is lectionary-based, so families can discuss together what each has learned about that Sunday's readings. Additionally, we have given careful planning to include instruction on things particular to the Episcopal Church.

Special programs – During specific times of the year, such as Lent, additional Christian education programs are offered on weeknights, on Saturdays, or on the weekend.

Vacation Bible School – All Souls has teamed up with several other churches to offer "Marketplace" Bible school. The Marketplace focuses on a different aspect of the life and times of Jesus each year and offers a varied and multi-sensory experience in the lives of early Christians.

Fun and Fellowship

In addition to the activities with a specific religious focus, there are several things which we do each year purely for fun and fellowship in our community.

Fall Festival – The Fall Festival is a fun time for all of our church family to get together, participate in a variety of activities depending on the location of the festival, and have a potluck supper together.

St. Nicholas Luncheon – The St. Nicholas luncheon is an early December event for children and their families. St. Nicholas, the “real saint,” makes a visit sometime shortly after lunch.

Parish Family Dinners are usually held on the first Wednesday night of the month and in conjunction with various other events throughout the year. This is a time to share a meal and get to know each other better. The cost is reasonable so that families may attend.

Community Breakfasts are held on the third Sunday of each month and is a good way to share fellowship with members of the Cathedral community.

Questions?

For further information or questions regarding these programs or Family Ministries, contact The Rev. Thomas Murphy at 274-2681 or via email at Thomas@allsouls cathedral.org.

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Christian Formation on Sunday Mornings

Education is offered for grades 6-12, and incorporates the Scriptures, Christian Community and engaging the world around us.

EYC on Sunday Evenings

E.Y.C. (Episcopal Youth Community) meets regularly throughout the school year on Sunday evenings. Junior and Senior high meet together and separately for specific programs. Sunday evenings encompass a variety of activities that include a range of offerings in service, learning, worship and recreation. Some of our annual EYC traditions include a Fall and Spring overnight retreat, a winter lock-in, the "Progressive Dinner," and quarterly service projects at ABCCM women and children's shelter. Summer pilgrimage and mission trips are also a vital part of our EYC ministry.

Diocesan Youth Events

All Souls youth also participate in the following Diocesan youth events:

SPLASH! The Annual Diocesan Kick Off water fun and cook out at Camp Rockmont.

New Beginnings Conference - A spiritual weekend retreat for middle school youth.

Fall Conference - A senior high weekend retreat.

Diocesan Ski Day - Eucharist, lunch and afternoon of skiing

RADIX Confirmation Retreat

Spring Conference - A senior high weekend that is also open to 8th. Grade students.

Diocesan Acolyte Festival - An annual acolyte event of training, lunch, fun and fellowship.

National Acolyte Festival - Semi-annual pilgrimage to the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C.

Camp Henry TLC Day - Gathering of EYC to help get the properties ready for summer.

E-Connection - Recreational and service related events held quarterly for Diocesan EYC fellowship.

Camp Henry

Camp Henry is our summer camp located at Lake Logan Diocesan Camp and Conference Center. Sessions are available throughout the summer for youth 1st – 12th grade and include a spiritual element of programming, worship and community living surrounded by camp activities. Camp Henry is a strong component in the lives of youth in the Diocese. Several of our staff members regularly serve as Deans for camp sessions.

Youth in Worship

Young people are present and active in many aspects of worship at All Souls, including participation as acolytes, chalice bearers, lay readers, ushers and choir members. Our acolytes participate at the annual Diocesan acolyte festival, and also travel to Washington, D.C. to the National Acolyte Festival every three years.

Youth in Music

All Souls also offers opportunities for children and youth to participate in our choir programs. (see Formation through Music).

Formation through Music

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Throughout the Christian story, music has played a key role in the expression of faith in the living God. Whether we sing in the pew, sing in a choir, or play a musical instrument, we have the opportunity to express our faith in the Christ who has triumphed gloriously for us. Through music in our liturgies, we as the community of All Souls proclaim our corporate praise and our unity as Christians gathered into one body.

All Souls parishioners and friends are invited to consider taking part in our cathedral music program by singing in one of our ensembles, playing a musical instrument, or by supporting the special services and concerts that occur throughout the year. Please take a few moments to review the opportunities that are listed here and consider your place in the ministry of music. Please feel free to contact us at any time with questions or concerns.

Cathedral Choir

High school, college and adult singers are welcome.

Rehearsals: Wednesday evenings, 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Sing: Sunday mornings at the 11:15 a.m. Eucharist.

The Cathedral Choir warmly invites anyone who enjoys singing to consider taking part. If interested, please call Kyle Ritter, Canon for Music, at church, 274-2681. Basic note reading is a necessity to participate.

The Cathedral Choir sings a rich and varied repertoire of choral music, from plainchant and Renaissance motets to anthems by contemporary composers. On occasion, the choir performs large-scale compositions with orchestra. Throughout the year there are special musical opportunities such as the All Souls Service and Taizé liturgies.

Motet Choir

Members of the Cathedral Choir are invited to participate

Rehearsals: Wednesday evenings, 7:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Sing: Once a month at the 9:00 and 11:15 a.m. Eucharists and some Holy Days

The Motet Choir is a smaller group of adult and high school students who come together once a month to rehearse and perform primarily a cappella music. Like the Cathedral Choir, the All Souls Choir sings a rich and varied repertoire of music. The presence of a unique choral group to lead and inspire the music at our energetic 9:00 service is an important element of our music program.

St. Cecilia Choir

Boys and girls 3rd grade through high school are welcome

Rehearsals: Wednesday afternoons, 5:15 – 6:15 p.m.

Sing: Sunday mornings primarily at the 9:00 a.m. Eucharist (occasionally at 11:15 a.m.).

Rehearsals consist of anthem learning, hymn singing, liturgy training, and all around fun! Choristers explore the rich heritage of musical styles in the Episcopal Church, examine the various symbols and traditions of the liturgical year, and learn how to participate more confidently in the worship of their church. The St. Cecilia Choir will occasionally be joined by members of the Motet Choir to sing four-part music!

St. Nicholas Choir

Boys and girls 1st and 2nd grades are welcome

Rehearsals: Wednesday afternoons, 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Sing: Sunday mornings primarily at the 9:00 a.m. Eucharist.

The half-hour rehearsals consist of voice building and note reading exercises. Through musical games and echo-singing, choristers build musical confidence and “find their voice.” The St. Nicholas Choir learns music by rote and sings from memory. As a result, choristers are not expected to be able to read music or words. The goal of the St. Nicholas Choir is to prepare choristers to participate fully in the worship of the church and to move confidently into the St. Cecilia Choir.

Do you play a musical instrument?

Parishioners who play musical instruments are encouraged to offer their talents in providing music at the various services at All Souls. Please speak to Kyle Ritter if interested.

Christian Formation for Adults
Sunday Morning Formation for Adults
10:10 a.m. Zabriskie Hall

Various offerings of Bible study, book study and spiritual disciplines.

Seasonal Offerings

Opportunities for study related to the church season, including quiet days and small group studies.

Newcomer's Classes

What does it mean to be an Episcopalian, an Anglican and a member of All Souls? Sessions are designed for inquiry and thus leave much time for questions and discussion and are appropriate for those brand new to the church and those long time members who wish a 'refresher' course. The class is offered throughout the year. Please contact, Susie Stokes or Cindy Donley, 274-2681, info@allsoulscathedral.org.

Lay Ministry Fair

Specific Sundays in which the various ministry opportunities at All Souls are highlighted.

Liturgical Ministries

Lay liturgical ministry is one of the essential significant opportunities members of a worshipping community fulfill in response to their Baptismal Covenant. Including lay reader, chalice bearer, adult acolyte, healing minister, usher, and altar guild, these ministries ensure a seamless and joyful celebration of the reconciling love of God in Jesus Christ. For more information on ways you may participate in these ministries, please contact, Brian Cole, 274-2681, brian@allsoulscathedral.org.

Education for Ministry

Education for Ministry (EFM) is an extension program of the School of Theology, University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee. The program is designed to aid individuals in formation of and discernment of their baptismal ministry.

The program seeks to accomplish this through a four-year curriculum which includes Bible study, church history, and study of contemporary theologians. Through a process of theological reflection, this knowledge is brought into action in daily life situations. For more information, please contact:

Beverly Gaines or Tom Crook, 274-2681, info@allsoulscathedral.org

Bible Study—every Wednesday morning

Study of the gospel takes place from 10:30 to 11:30 in Owen Library and is led by Todd Donatelli and Brian Cole. The study explores Bible stories seeking their meanings for ancient people and cultures, and their meanings for contemporary people who seek to recognize their experiences with God. For more information please contact::

Todd Donatelli, 274-2681, todd@allsoulscathedral.org

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Women's Ministries

All Souls has a long history of spiritual nurturing and study among women. Events monthly meetings and retreats. The women's group is a multi-generational community welcoming all women who would like to be part of a community of supportive women. Contacts:

Lisa Sellers, 274-2681, info@allsoulscathedral.org

Gay/Lesbian Ministry

A benefit of the longstanding tradition of welcome by All Souls to gay and lesbian persons and their incorporation into all aspects of our life is that we no longer find a need for regularly scheduled meetings for specific study and fellowship. The group meets for lunch the third Sunday of each month. We do also recognize that various needs arise for all groups within the church and invite persons wishing information regarding ministry for and with gay and lesbian persons to contact:

Dan Boyd or Marti (Martha) Wheeler, 274-2681, info@allsoulscathedral.org

The Episcopal Peace Fellowship

The chapter of the EPF welcomes all people to attend meetings and join in the Vigil for Peace each Sunday, at 1pm on the lawn of the Cathedral. Meetings are held monthly on the second Sunday of each month immediately following the Vigil. A variety of programs are offered during the monthly meetings designed to support people in the pursuit of peace and to stand for non-violence. Contact:

Mason Wilson, 274-2681, info@allsoulscathedral.org

Formation through Engagement in the Community

Church of the Advocate

Church of the Advocate is an Episcopal worshipping community made up primarily of persons from the homeless and street community of downtown Asheville. We worship in the undercroft of Trinity Episcopal (on Church Street) at 1:30 p.m. on Sundays (Holy Eucharist) and we also gather for midday prayer on Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. at A-Hope Day Shelter on Ann Street. While we follow liturgies known and familiar to Episcopalians, all worship at Church of the Advocate welcomes each participant to help lead us in the proclamation of God's good news and in teaching us all how to pray. On Sundays, simple hospitality is offered after worship and a nurse is on hand for basic medical care. For more information, please contact, The Reverend Deacon Ann Fritschner, Trinity Episcopal Church, 253-9361

Early Reading Connection

Early Reading Connection reaches children in Buncombe County Head Start classrooms. Volunteers read books to the Head Start children at Estes and Glen Arden Schools every two weeks for approximately 30 minutes. To volunteer to read or to make a contribution, please contact, Heather Stuart, or Linda Spangler at 274-2681, or info@allsoulscathedral.org.

Room in the Inn

A ministry providing emergency shelter and an evening meal on a quarterly basis for homeless women in Asheville invites your participation to serve meals and/or stay through the night with other volunteers. For information please call Mike & Susan Stevenson, 274-2681 or info@allsoulscathedral.org.

For other opportunities for engagement in the community, please read the monthly Cathedral Connection newsletter.

Formation through Fellowship

“Will you continue in the apostles teaching and fellowship?” From the Episcopal Baptismal Covenant.

Listed here are opportunities for our gathering in ‘fellowship’ as a community. They include offerings for information, education and social engagement.

Check the Cathedral Connection, the Cathedral newsletter at www.allsoulsconnection.org, or the Cathedral website calendar, www.allsoulscathedral.org, for specific dates and times for the following areas. The Cathedral Office, 828-274-2681, may also be contacted for information.

The Kay Falk Literary Project offers parish and community the opportunity to talk about literature together on a monthly basis in our All Souls Book Group. The Project also regularly brings writers to the Cathedral out of its ongoing commitment to nourishing the life of faith with the life of the mind.

Emilie White, 274-2681 or info@allsoulscathedral.org

The Senior Lunch Bunch is a group of “Seniors” and folks of various ages who gather for a pot luck meal and guest presentation the fourth Wednesday of every month at 12:30 p.m., in Zabriskie Hall.

Mason and Prue Wilson, 274-2681 or info@allsoulscathedral.org

The Annual Meeting presents the opportunity to hear reports on various aspects of parish life, elect members to the parish vestry and enjoy the company of members of this community.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper is a traditional pancake supper held the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday marking the beginning of the liturgical season of Lent.

Fourth of July Picnic is held the Sunday after the 4th of July on the grounds of All Souls after the 11:15 a.m., service.

Pastoral Care Ministry
Margaret McKeel 277-9067
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The Pastoral Care Ministry of All Souls exists to encourage good stewardship of the body as the temple of the Holy Spirit. Confident of the joy and vitality of life in Christ, the Pastoral Care Ministry works to promote health and wholeness of mind, body and spirit among members of the parish and the larger community. Asking God's help in all things, we seek to accomplish this through worship, educational programs and wellness programs. These ministries include:

Healing Intercessors are present during Sunday liturgies to offer prayers of reconciliation for individuals requesting these prayers. Contact: Pat Hayes, 274-2681 or info@allsoulscathedral.org

Parish Nurse serves to provide information, assistance in understanding medical procedures, blood pressure screenings and general health advice. Contact: Margaret McKeel, as noted above

Martha's Helpers provide meals, transportation for appointments, running errands, notes and cards, and calls to our parishioners in need. Contacts: Babie Strobel, Loretta Andrews, 274-2681, or info@allsoulscathedral.org.

Lay Eucharistic Visitors bring communion to members of the congregation who are not able to be present for liturgies. Contact: Brian Cole, 274-2681, or brian@allsoulscathedral.org

Pastoral Care Coordinator serves to facilitate and connect Clergy and designated lay ministers to those requesting pastoral care. Contact: Margaret McKeel, as noted above

Spiritual Direction is journeying with someone as they explore the spiritual dimensions of the Holy One within, and living out their response to that relationship to the Holy in the word. These conversations can occur individually or in groups. Contacts: Alice Myers, 274-2681, Nancy Harrison, 681-8591, or info@allsoulscathedral.org.

Cathedral Offerings and Ministries: Gathering the Diocese

On Being the Diocesan Cathedral

"Cathedral ministry reminds people of their roots, reminds them of their history and local identity," Robert Jeffrey, Dean, Worcester Cathedral. In that history and identity is the continued call of offering ourselves to the life of the whole community of Western North Carolina. Amid the ways we fulfill this vision are gatherings of the Diocese inside and outside our cathedral. The following are ways in which we have made our life a vehicle for the life and mission of the Diocese.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: visiting parishes in common worship

The Annual Zabriskie Lecture for Peace and Justice: This annual lecture series is named after the Dean Emeritus of All Souls Cathedral, Neil Zabriskie. In choosing a name for the lecture, it was the desire of the organizing committee to hold up ministry which has a deep commitment to issues of human and global reconciliation.

The Centers for Christian Studies is the response to Bishop Porter Taylor's call for opportunities for the laity and clergy of the diocese to discover who they are as Episcopalians and Anglicans, to discern their gifts to respond to Christ's calling to live out their baptismal Covenant, and to deepen in their faith and spirituality. For further information contact: The Rev. Canon Charlotte Cleghorn, charlotte@allsouls cathedral.org, or 274-2681

Diocesan Ordinations, Reaffirmation of Ordination Vows, Diocesan Baptisms, Confirmations, Reaffirmations and Receptions.

The Cathedral Arts Commission presents arts offerings within the Cathedral setting not exclusively for ritualistic activity in worship and liturgy, but as worship itself. It is the Commission's hope through offerings of concerts, lectures, exhibits, literary events and film, the sharing and appreciation of the arts be not the luxury of a few, but many. Contact: David Jordon, 274-2681, or info@allsouls cathedral.org.

Docents welcome and guide visitors to the Cathedral at times other than scheduled services or programs. All Souls Docents provide helpful information about the Cathedral's furnishing, architecture and history. Docents are on campus Monday-Friday, 11a.m.-4p.m. & Saturdays 11am-3pm Contacts: Martha Fullington and Carol Anders, 274-2681, or info@allsouls cathedral.org.

Diocesan Youth Events (see Youth Formation)

Diocesan News Service: For a free subscription to The Highland Episcopalian please call: 828-432-5665, fax: 828-438-9600 or email: the willardgroup@earthlink.net.

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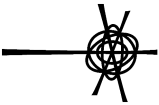
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