

service to lift up a joy or concern.



Welcome

Emily Salinas, Worship Associate

**Opening Words** 

Rev. Joel Miller

Chalice Lighting & Covenant

Congregational Hymn

Member Reflection

Emily Salinas, Worship Associate

Time for All Ages

Sarah Cannon, DCCP

Celebrating with Music

Jovs and Concerns

Nasreen Khan

Prayer and Meditation

Joel Miller

Moment of Silence

Hymn

Spirit of Life

Sermon

Rev. Joel Miller: Vulnerability

August 30, 2020

All are welcome to type in the chat box before the

Connection Card

Sarah Cannon

Offering

**Emily Salinas** 

Share the Plate: Faith in Indiana

"Faith in Indiana equips Indiana residents to make their community a better place. We equip priests, pastors, rabbis, and imams to take a public stand, rooted in their sacred texts, on the issues facing Indiana. We aim to revitalize our state's democracy. Our grassroots volunteers register people to vote, remind registered voters to go to the polls, and educate everyone about the issues at stake. Faith in Indiana brings people together across divisions of race, faith, and place." <a href="https://faithinindiana.org/">https://faithinindiana.org/</a>

Closing Hymn

Benediction

Rev. Joel Miller

Announcements

Virtual Coffee Hour All Souls Indy is on Social Media!

Follow our Facebook

page <u>here</u> and

our Instagram @allsoulsindy.

Read our <u>Blogs</u> here, and keep

up on events at our <u>homepage</u>.



The Courage of a Free Faith. Rev. Joel Miller offers the sermon this Sunday: "I have found that church really matters to us because we are vulnerable. What opens our hearts? What keeps our hearts open even when we know it will hurt?"

## **Events**

Socially Distant Meditation Group. Tuesdays, 6:30pm, All Souls Lawn. (First Meeting: Sept. 1)



We will practice very simple forms of sitting mediation (zazen) and walking mediation (kinhin). Both practices are from the Zen tradition but do not

require you to "believe" in anything. Beginners are welcome. To stay safe, the All Souls task force has asked that only five people are allowed on the grounds at once. If you are interested in attending the group please click HERE to sign up. If five people are already signed up, please add yourself to the waiting list and check back to see if a spot opens up. If you know that you will not be able to attend, please remove yourself from the "attending" list to make room for someone else to sign up. The group will meet in the grassy area directly in front of the church main entrance. participants should bring a chair, cushion or yoga mat (you are also welcome to sit on the ground). Please wear masks.



#### Postcard Project

We will be participating in a postcard mailing project to increase voter registration. This is a socially distant way that we can canvas areas that are often underrepresented.

How it works: We will have 1000 postcards broken into bundles, an address list, and stamps available at the church. You will also be provided with a non-partisan script to write out. Studies have demonstrated that voters who receive handwritten postcards just before an election are significantly more likely to vote. If you are willing to write and mail postcards for this project, please sign up here and note how many postcards you would be willing to mail. A thousand postcards might seem daunting but together we can make quick progress through it all. Keep an eye out for the postcard party we will be hosting, where you'll get to write postcards and eat snacks in your own home, while chatting in solidarity with your All Souls peeps (psst there might be some goodies delivered).

### **Absentee Voter Registration Flyers**

Faith In Indiana has provided us with an informational flyer about absentee voting for distribution in under-



served neighborhoods. We will be porch-dropping these flyers as a way to do traditional canvassing in a contact-free way. Team up with someone in your

household and <u>volunteer to flyer the town here</u>. You will be given instructions on how to pick up flyers at the Church and provided with a geographic area to focus on.

#### Midwest Leadership School - Join the All Souls Contingent! \*\*Registration Live\*\*



It's never going to be easier to attend Midwest Leadership school than this year when there are 4 three-hour Saturday sessions (10am - 1pm). We'd

love to get a contingent from All Souls together to attend and then work together afterward to use the information learned to benefit All Souls! So far, Jean Miller and Helen Dwyer are planning to go. If you'd like to join us, please

email <u>vicepresident@allsoulsindy.org</u> as we need a board or minister recommendation for all who attend. Space is limited. For info and registration click <u>here</u>.

# Ingathering and Water Ceremony: Water Gathering Drive-up Event. September 12, 11am-1pm, All Souls Parking Lot

Please drive

to the church on Saturday, September 12, and bring your ingathering water to be gathered for the Sunday service. Bring water from someplace special for you: from your home, your garden, your backyard pool –



from any place having deep meaning to you. And if you can't get the water from the exact place, bring some tap water! Because in fact the odds are almost certain that the water you bring will include molecules from that meaningful place.

When you arrive, you'll be directed to drive next to a table in the parking lot. Rev. Miller will be there, at a safe distance, because he wants to meet you in person! And as you pour that water you will be invited to talk about the meaning in it. And (if it's OK with you) Rev. Miller would like to

share in worship the next morning what you tell him about the place, the people, or the meaning in that wa-

#### Save the Date

September 1
Meditation Group

September 8
Midwest Leadership
School Registration
Deadline

September 12 Ingathering

Last Week at a Glance

Sunday, August 23, 2020

Total Pledges and Donations received: \$5,444.46

Sharing the Plate: \$166.00 will be donated to Faith in Indiana

\$166.00 was collected for All Souls

ter. There will be several other tables in the parking lot for the Drive-up Water Gathering everyone who is picking up Resource Bags for classes and faith formation (everything will be sanitized and distant for our common safety). Drive-up to church on Sept. 12 between 11 and 1! Bring water for Ingathering and take home resources and love.

## **Announcements**

#### Community Garden Planning Group

Do you love getting your fingers into soil? Do you have knowledge about permaculture, composting, or native plants? Or do you simply want a way to connect with our Earth and wider communi-



ty? <u>This is for you!</u> We are looking forward to planning our community garden for the coming Spring. The Planning Group will provide gardening knowledge, and serve as the sounding board for staff as we plot out the garden, and figure out how to be in community safely in Covid times. <u>Email Nasreen Khan</u> to indicate interest.

#### Adult Subscription Bags!

Several adults asked this summer about getting their hands on Messy ChUUrch supplies! So, as we're planning out our quarterly Makerspace resource bags, we'd like to gauge interest in adult subscriptions! Our virtual Makerspace will be open from 9:30 to 10:30 am on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays of the month beginning September 27th. While folks are always welcome to bring their own craft projects, the supply bags provide everything participants need to do an "activity of the week."

Does this sound like your jam? Fill out our interest survey here!

## Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) in the Age of the Coronavirus \*\*New Link\*\*

This particularly tough time for the homeless in Indianapolis provides All Souls with another opportunity to fulfill the "and service is its law" part of our covenant. Due to a recent CARES Act grant through the city of Indianapolis, Family Promise is now able to rent an-



other 10 apartments as temporary housing for homeless families. Teams of churches are outfitting these apartments with household goods. With your generosity, All Souls, along with members/friends of two other churches, are providing household items for one apartment. Please click to donate through SignUp Genius. For additional information text Judy at 317-823-7302 or email jlumbert@comcast.net.

### Sign up for a Monthly Local Produce Box From Kheprw Institute

Looking for fresh produce that supports local farmers, and puts money into the Indianapolis community? The Kheprw Community Controlled Food Initiative might be for you.

How it works: You pay \$20 or \$15 (seniors 55+ and SNAP/EBT while

supplies last) and they buy fresh food collectively to get wholesale prices and support local farmers! You can also donate a share for someone else. The produce is sourced from local farmers and urban gardens. Click here for more info or to put in your order.

#### **Church Closings and Access to Sunday Services**

Until otherwise communicated, the church facility currently will remain closed and we are encouraging all meetings and programs to be offered online via Zoom. Please contact Shelley Carver, our office manager, with questions. You can join via a computer, tablet or smartphone for visual teleconference (highly recommended!), or simply dial in using your phones and listen in. Visit: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/412806814">https://zoom.us/j/412806814</a> or by dialing (301) 715-8592; Meeting ID: 412 806 814 Thank you for being part of our community; and as a community, we will weather this experience together.

#### All Souls Feedback Procedure

Concerns should be communicated to the senior minister at minister@allsoulsindy.org.

## In Our Hearts, Thoughts, and Prayers

Cherilyn Baney has had a moderate stroke and was hospitalized Saturday morning. She has a little weakness on the right side and will be doing outpatient Occupational Therapy. She would appreciate cards.

Cherilyn Baney

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Our hearts go out to the family of former All Souls Member Ken Kern who passed away June 21st. His celebration of life service was held virtually on August 29th. We send especial intentions to his wife Cheryl Kern.

We also hold in our hearts member Crystal Francis who's uncle Edward Eakle passed away. She will be unable to attend the funeral because of COVID and asks for our thoughts and prayers.

If you would like our community to hold a deep sorrow or joy of yours, or to share with us a significant update in your life, please email <u>Shelley Carver</u> (office@allsoulsindy.org).

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## Need Hearing or Visual Assistance?

We have improved listening devices for those that need hearing assistance hearing the worship service. We also have large-print hymnals. Both can be found on the wooden table outside the sanctuary. Ushers are available to help!