

"The Mouse's Story" Rev. Dr. Nicole Kirk

August 17th, 2025

10:00 AM Service

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PRELUDE

Praising Song
Chamber Choir

- Marvin Curtis

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Marlin Lavanhar Rev. Randy Lewis

INVOCATION

COVENANT*

Love is the spirit of this church; and service is its law. This is our great covenant: to dwell together in peace, To seek the truth in love, and to help one another.

DOXOLOGY

From all that dwell below the skies Let faith and hope with love arise; Let beauty, truth, and good be sung Through every land by every tongue. Amen.

CHALICE LIGHTING

Amy, Ben, and Lulu Andrews

MUSICAL INTERLUDE***

TIME FOR ALL AGES Threads of Connection

COMMISSIONING OF PARENTS AND TEACHERS

BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING

MUSICAL INTERLUDE***

LIGHTING OF CANDLES

PRAYER

Today's flowers are given by Vivien Gentz and family in loving memory of Douglas Gentz. To sponsor flowers, email Irumley@allsoulschurch.org

PRAYER RESPONSE

MUSIC

MESSAGE

Iohn Rush, Flute

Celtic Heart

The Mouse's Story

Rev. Dr. Nicole Kirk

- Inspired by a Leo Lionni story & illustration

- Herman Beeftink

- Traditional

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN #108

OFFERTORY**

We Are One

Adult Choir

My Life Flows on In

Endless Song

- Brian Tate

This morning's offering goes to 1st Step Male Diversion Program To give digitally, text **LOVEBB** to 73256 or scan the OR code



BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Rev. Dr. Marlin Lavanhar Senior Minister

Executive Director of Worship

Assistant Minister Dr. Randall Hooper

Director of Music

Rev. Randy Lewis

Rev. Dr. Nicole Kirk Program Minister

Shannon Boston

David B. Smith

Executive Director of Religious Exploration

*Congregation may stand in body or in spirit.

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A Summary of Faith Development at All Souls



At All Souls, we believe faith is not about having all the answers—it's about having a safe and loving space to ask the questions. We journey together, exploring, trying on ideas, discarding what no longer serves, and deepening what brings meaning. Our faith grows and changes over time, enriched by community and grounded in love.

We teach our children that they are intrinsically good, inherently worthy, and lovable. They are listened to and encouraged to share thoughts and feelings. They are surrounded by kindness and inclusion. They are invited to ask questions as one of life's greatest gifts.

We encourage our youth to understand that no one is perfect and all must flex and forgive, to think critically and continue asking questions, to stand up for others while practicing kindness and inclusion, and to speak their truth with courage.

Because we Love Beyond Belief, All Souls Kids (ASK) presents a wide range of stories, traditions, and ideas from cultures and religions worldwide—including our own contemporary context. Parents and caregivers are recognized as primary faith educators, and we partner with them through cooperative programming, discussion groups, and shared learning experiences.

Developed by Shannon Boston, Executive Director of Religious Exploration









