

We should be astonished at the goodness of God, stunned that He should bother to call us by name, our mouths wide open at His love, bewildered that at this very moment we are standing on holy ground.

Brennan Manning

Welcome

Welcome to Cross Sound Church. Whether you are a follower of Jesus, someone interested in Christianity, or a skeptic about faith—God is calling you to worship. Wherever you are in life, we hope you feel welcome and at home. If you have never been to church (or not in a long time) and fear that you will not know what to do, how to act, or what to say, know this: God's grace is here and is for people like you.

We are a church that loves our cities: Bainbridge Island, Poulsbo, Silverdale, Kingston, and Seattle. And while we actively love and serve our communities, we don't pretend to have it all together. Instead, we are a church where there is freedom to struggle with our questions, doubts, and fears; and a place where real healing, joy, and power can be found.

We are a church rooted in the belief that the historic Christian gospel is true, compelling, and promises to change our lives powerfully, in the direction of freedom, hope, and generosity.

The gospel, which means 'Good News', tells us that God's Kingdom has entered history in order to renew us and the world. The gospel is more than entering God's Kingdom, it is also the way we face every struggle in life and make any progress in personal growth.

The good news is that Jesus lived the life we should have lived and died the death we deserved to die in order to put us in a place where only He deserves to be—in a right, safe, thrilling relationship with God the Father.

Cross Sound Church desires to be filled with both believers and non-believers, who together explore the claims of the gospel and its effects on our lives and on the world.

Our aim in worship is both ancient, with liturgy that connects us to the Church of old and those who have gone before us, as well as modern, accessible, and meaningful. Underneath it all is our desire to be God-honoring, God-exalting, God-glorifying! Let's worship God together.

Say hello

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Gathering

CALL TO WORSHIP — Psalm 63:2-5

I have seen you in the sanctuary and beheld your power and your glory.

Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you.

I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands...

With singing lips my mouth will praise you.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Confession happens within the context of relationship, both with God and with each other as we acknowledge our sin and need for forgiveness. Jesus promises that He freely forgives sins which frees us from past regrets. You are invited to personalize your confession as we pray silently.

Heavenly Father,

We confess that at many times, and in many ways this week, we have sinned, by failing to love others, and by failing to follow you.

In Psalm 40 David said that he had more sins than hairs on his head.

We acknowledge that we are far more in need of your grace than we know. Forgive us again, dear Father, in the wondrous grace of your Son.

And empower us, by that same grace, to follow Him, and to delight in Him, we pray.

We ask these things in His name,

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The punishment that brought us peace was on him, And by his wounds we are healed. — Isaiah 53:4-5

Renewing

Blessed Be Your Name — Matt Redman, 2002 Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name And blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise
And when the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say
Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me When the world's all as it should be, blessed be Your name And blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise And when the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your name Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your glorious name

You give and take away, You give and take away My heart will choose to say Lord, blessed be Your name You give and take away, You give and take away My heart will choose to say Lord, blessed be Your name

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Cornerstone — Hillsong United

My hope is built on nothing less, Than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly trust in Jesus' name

Christ alone, Cornerstone, Weak made strong in the Savior's love Through the storm, He is Lord, Lord of all

When darkness seems to hide his face, I rest on His unchanging grace In every high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil

Chorus

When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh may I then in Him be found Dressed in His righteousness alone, Faultless to stand before the throne

Chorus

On Christ the solid rock I stand, All other ground is sinking sand...

Way Maker — Sinach, Arrangement by Leeland You are here, moving in our midst, I worship You, I worship You You are here, working in this place, I worship You, I worship You

You are Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper, Light in the darkness My God, that is who You are (x2)

You are here, touching every heart, I worship You, I worship You You are here, healing every heart, I worship You, I worship You You are here, turning lives around, I worship You, I worship You You are here, mending every heart, I worship You, I worship You

You are Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper, Light in the darkness My God, that is who You are (x2)...
That is who You are, That is who You are, That is who You are,

Even when I don't see it, You're working Even when I don't feel it, You're working You never stop, never stop working You never stop, never stop working (x2)

You are Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper, Light in the darkness My God, that is who You are (x2)...

That is who You are That is who You are, That is who You are That is who You are That is who You are. That is who You are That is who You are.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

Please stand and introduce yourself to one another.

"Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you."

— Romans 15:17

"Be devoted to one another in love."

— Romans 12:10

QUOTES:

"Eve was not taken out of Adam's head to top him, neither out of his feet to be trampled on by him, but out of his side to be equal with him, under his arm to be protected by him, and near his heart to be loved by him." — Matthew Henry

"When over the years someone has seen you at your worst, and knows you with all your strengths and flaws, yet commits him -- or herself to you wholly, it is a consummate experience. To be loved but not known is comforting but superficial. To be known and not loved is our greatest fear. But to be fully known and truly loved is, well, a lot like being loved by God." — Timothy Keller

"The Bible is God's love letter to us." — Soren Kierkegaard

"The deepest desire of our hearts is for union with God. God created us for union with himself. This is the original purpose of our lives." — Brennan Manning

MESSAGE SERIES: GENESIS

Text: Genesis 2:18-25

Title: Here's Comes The Bride! Speaker: Dave O'Connell

¹⁸ The Lord God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him."

¹⁹ Now the Lord God had formed out of the ground all the wild animals and all the birds in the sky. He brought them to the man to see what he would name them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. ²⁰ So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds in the sky and all the wild animals.

But for Adam no suitable helper was found. ²¹ So the Lord God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man's ribs and then closed up the place with flesh. ²² Then the Lord God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man.

²³ The man said,

"This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called 'woman,'

for she was taken out of man."

- ²⁴ That is why a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh.
- ²⁵ Adam and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame.
- I. The Problem (vs. 18a)
- II. The Plan (vs. 18b)
- III. The Parade (vv. 19-20)
- IV. The Processional (vv. 21-22)
- V. The Proclamation (vv. 23-25)

COMMUNION

The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

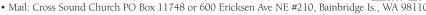
- Mark 10:35

For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed... but with the precious blood of Christ.

— 1Peter 1:17-18

OFFERING — Offering is a way for members and friends to support the worship and work of the church, it's mission and ministry. There are different ways to give:

- Offering basket: place Check or Cash in a Giving Envelope on Sunday mornings
- Cross Sound app: look up "Church Center" on the App Store and follow prompts
- Online: www.crosssound.org/give Stock: contact bookkeeper@crosssound.org





Then the people rejoiced because they had offered so willingly, for they made their offering to the Lord with a whole heart.

— 1Chronicles 29:9

Continue To Love Me - Michelle Patterson

Continue to love me, with that same love Righteous and unchanging Continue to love me, with that same love Priceless and unfailing

Your love, it reaches to the sky, Your righteousness, a mountain high How priceless, Your unending love Both high and low among men Take cover under Your wings How priceless, Your unending love

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Chorus (x2)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
The power, and the glory, For ever. Amen.

Sending

Living Waters — Kristyn Getty, Ed Cash Are you thirsty, are you empty Come and drink these living waters Tired and broken, peace unspoken Rest beside these living waters

Christ is calling, find refreshing At the cross of living waters Lay your life down, all the old gone Rise up in these living waters

There's a river that flows
With mercy and love
Bringing joy to the city of our God
There our hope is secure
Do not fear anymore
Praise the Lord of living waters

Spirit moving, mercy washing Healing in these living waters Lead your children to the shore line Life is in these living waters

Chorus

Are you thirsty, are you empty Come, and drink these living waters Love, forgiveness, vast and boundless Christ, He is our living waters

Chorus

BENEDICTION — Ephesians 3:20-21

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood to him be glory and power for ever and ever!

Amen.

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The benediction, different from good wishes or even a prayer, is a pronouncement of God's blessing. God sends us out in peace, giving us his presence as we go to be blessing-bearers to the world.

Announcements

Oct 1 5-7pm: Burgers & Bonfire hosted by the Ramsey's at Port Madison Community Beach! We'll provide: Burger bar with all the fixings, and the classic s'mores to share. Please feel free to bring a side, beverages, chips, or any s'more items.

Oct 1: Jack Foster's Baptism Join us on Sunday, October 1st at 2pm at Driftwood Key Clubhouse: 37608 Vista Key Dr NE, Hansville (98340). What a beautiful opportunity to live out community as we together celebrate Jack's baptism!

Oct 7: CSC Golf Tournament Fundraiser! Join us at the Meadowmeer Golf Club. All proceeds benefit the Ensenada Homebuilding Trip. Sign up at: bit.ly/EnsenadaGolf2023, or follow this QR code >>



Oct 21: Women's Hike Hike the Falls View Canyon on Sturday, October 21 in Quilcene and enjoy lunch afterwards.

Nov 5: Peanute Butter & Jelly Parade We'll be collecting peanut butter and jelly over the next month for Helplinr House (they are in especially desperate need of jelly/jam), and parading it down after service that Sunday. Thank you!

Dec 9: Women's Advent Brunch - Save the Date for Saturday, Dec 9 at Island School. *Questions?* Email Ashley@CrossSound.org or visit bit.ly/crosssoundwomen

Women's Bible Study is studying "God of Creation: Genesis 1-11" by Jen Wilkin.

- Monday Evening 6:30 8:30 Soup and Salad Dinner provided
- Wednesday Morning 9:30 11:30 Breakfast Potluck & Childcare Provided

Small Groups form support networks that provide individuals with support, inspiration, encouragement, and accountability. They are places of prayer and meaningful relationship development. *If you are interested email dave@crosssound.org.*

Cuba Missions: Shoe collection The Cuba Missions team is collecting new youth and children--sized shoes/sneakers (no sandals, slides or crocks, please) for their upcoming trip. If you are able to contribute, please drop-off at the church office!

Men's Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) Thursdays 6:30-8pm

BSF is a weekly, in-person, in-depth, interdenominational study. In a world that declares "find your own truth" - Jesus stands alone. He boldly proclaims Himself as the only source of freedom, peace, truth, security, and everlasting life with God. Meets at the CS Church Office (600 Ericksen Ave NE #210, Bainbridge). Go to: bit.ly/joinBSF or follow for info and sign up. Questions? Contact Teague Parker at newpark@centurytel

Connect With Us

If you are new to Cross Sound Church, please tear this portion off and put it in the offering to let us know you were here. You may also use this to inform us of any changes in your contact information, or to submit prayer requests for the staff to pray over.

First time visitor ()	Interested in more info for:	Please add me to:
Second time visitor ()	Ministry ()	Email list ()
Regular attendee ()		Mailing list ()
Name(s):		
Children & their ages:_		
Address:		
Phone Number(s):		
Prayer Requests/Comm	ents:	

We hope these are helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and His people, the church.

Prayer for the Skeptic

Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful that I ever before believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sin and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

Prayer for those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my needs, and my turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your spirit. Amen.