



If in our hearts we really don't believe that God loves us as we are, if we are still tainted by the lie that we can do something to make God love us more, we are rejecting the message of the cross.



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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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As we gather to worship, please silence all mobile phones and devices for the duration of the service.

Gathering

Please join in song when ready

Gloria Patri — Words: Gloria Patri, 2nd Century, Music: Karl Digerness, 2009

Glory be to the Father	As it was in the beginning
Glory be to the Son	Shall be forever
Glory be to the Spirit, Three in One	Amen, Amen, Amen

CALL TO WORSHIP — 12:4-6

Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name;
make known among the nations what he has done.

Sing to the Lord, for he has done glorious things;
let this be known to all the world.

Shout aloud and sing for joy.

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.

Merciful God,
you made us in your image,
with a mind to know you,
a heart to love you,
and a will to serve you.
But our knowledge is imperfect,
our love inconstant,
our obedience incomplete.
Day by day, we fail to grow into your likeness.
In your tender love, forgive us
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen

Renewing

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins
and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

— 1 John 1:9

Therefore, there is no condemnation for those who belong to
Christ Jesus... nothing can ever separate us from God's love.

— Romans 8:1 & 38

Because of Jesus Christ,
And in Jesus Christ,
You are Forgiven.
Be at Peace.

Amen.

Your Love, O Lord — *Avery, Carr, Powell, Lee, Anderson*

Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens
Your faithfulness stretches to the sky
Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains
And Your justice flows like the ocean's tides

And I will lift my voice to worship You, my King
And I will find my strength in the shadow of Your wings

I Cry Out — *Craig Musseau*

I cry out, for Your hand of mercy to heal me.
I am weak, and I need your love to free me.
Oh Lord, my rock. My strength in weakness.
Come rescue me, Oh Lord.

You are my hope and Your promise never fails me.
And my desire is to follow you forever.
For you are good, for you are good
For you are good to me.
For you are good, for you are good
For you are good to me

The largest book in the Bible is primarily a book of poems set to music to sing God praises. This is all part of God's design to surround His presence with singing. Gratitude to God expresses dependence upon God and is an antidote for cynicism, criticism, and bitterness.

Come Alive (Dry Bones) — *Lauren Daigle and Michael Farren*

Through the eyes of man it seems
There's so much we have lost
As we look down the road
Where all the prodigals have walked
And one by one the enemy
Has whispered lies and led them off as slaves

But I know that You are God,
Yours is the victory
We know there is more to come
That we may not yet see
So with the faith You've given us
We step into the valley unafraid

*We call out the dry bones,
"Come alive, come alive!"
We call out to dead hearts,
"Come alive, come alive!"
Up out of the ashes,
Let us see an army rise.
We call out to dry bones,
"Come alive!"*

God of endless mercy,
God of unrelenting love
Rescue every daughter
Bring us back the wayward sons
And by Your Spirit breathe upon them
Show the world that You alone can save

So breathe, oh breath of God
Now breathe, oh breath of God
Breathe, oh breath of God
Now breathe

ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you.
— Romans 15:7

Love one another deeply from the heart.
— 1Peter 1:22

SONG OF PREPARATION

Speak, O Lord — *Getty/Townend*
Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word
Take Your Truth, plant it deep in us
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory

MESSAGE SERIES: THE GRACE OF GIVING

Series: The Grace of Giving

Title: In View of God's Mercy

Text: Romans 12:1-2

Therefore, brothers and sisters, in view of the mercies of God, I urge you to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God; this is your true worship. Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may discern what is the good, pleasing, and perfect will of God.

NOTES:

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. — 1Pet 1:17-18

Behold what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called
children of God! And that is what we are! — 1John 3:1

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
- Mail: Cross Sound Church PO Box 11748 or 600 Ericksen Ave NE #210, Bainbridge Is., WA 98110



OFFERING — 1Chronicles 29:9

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

The Passion — *Hillsong*

The passion of our Saviour, The mercy of our God
The cross that leaves no question, Of the measure of His love

*Our chains are gone, Our debt is paid
The cross has overthrown the grave
For Jesus' blood that sets us free
Means death to death, And life for me*

The Innocent judged guilty, While the guilty one walks free
Death would be His portion, And our portion liberty

Chorus

I give my whole life, To honour this love
By the Lamb who was slain, I'm forgiven
The sinner's Saviour, Crown Him forever
For the Lamb who was slain, He is risen

Communion, also called the Lord's Supper, is the family meal of Christians. We invite all baptized followers of Jesus Christ to participate. If you are not baptized or not prepared to share in the meal, we encourage you instead to spend this time in prayer (see back cover for "Prayers of Reflection").

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which 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

The Blessing — *Kari Jobe, Cody Carnes*

The Lord bless you and keep you
Make His face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn His
face toward you
And give you peace

Amen

May His favor be upon you
And a thousand generations
And your family
And your children
And their children
And their children

May His presence go before you
And behind you and beside you
All around you and within you
He is with you, He is with you

In the morning, in the evening
In your coming and your going
In your weeping and rejoicing
He is for you, He is for you

He is for you, He is for you
He is for you, He is for you
He is for you, He is for you
He is for you

Amen

BENEDICTION — 2Corinthians 13:14

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of the Father,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.

Amen

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

Graduating Seniors On Sunday, June 4th we as a church will be celebrating our 2023 high school graduates. If you would like to have your senior recognized, please let Josh know (josh@crosssound.org), and include a PICTURE of the graduate, by Friday, May 26th.

Confirmation Class Continues: May 7, May 14, May 21

5th–8th graders are invited to learn more about what we believe and why. These (We also offer this course as a preparation for baptism for those who have not yet had that opportunity). For more information contact bobbi@crosssound.org

Women's Ministry Email Ashley@CrossSound.org for details.

- “IF” Saturday on May 20th at the church office from 9:30-11.
- Spring Book Study Starts the week of May 15 at the church office for 4 weeks
 - Monday night (6:30-8:15) is reading “The Cost of Control”
 - Wednesday morning (9:15-11:15) is reading either “The Cost of Control”, “Letters to Malcolm” OR “Don’t Hold Back”

CS Kids Camp: July 10-14 An unforgettable experience for kids ages Pre-K through 5th grade! We will play games, engage in worship, make new friends - all while learning about Jesus! Sign up today! bit.ly/CSkidscamp2023 or follow this QR Code:



CS Youth Events Email Josh@crosssound.org for details.

- 5TH-8TH MIRACLE RANCH SUMMER CAMP: JUNE 23-25
- HS SUMMER IMMERSION SERVANT LEADERSHIP: JULY 15-22

GriefShare (GS) Schedule Update: GS continues Thursdays, 9:45am-12pm at the Church Office through June 1 (No class May 18). A NEW Session will begin next Fall: Sept. 7 - November! Contact Sue MacFarlane with questions: 206-714-5986

Annual Ensenada Homebuilding Trip 2023 Every year Cross Sound Church sends a team of people to Ensenada, Mexico to build houses for families who are living in very poor housing conditions. Over the past 20 years, we've had the opportunity to build over 40 homes. Interested? Sign up here! bit.ly/ensenada2023 or follow the QR Code: Questions? please contact Stu Childers at stuart@seattlepump.com.



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): _____

Email(s): _____

Prayer Requests/Comments: _____

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 than 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.