



‘Hoping does not mean doing nothing. It is not fatalistic resignation. It means going about our assigned tasks, confident that God will provide the meaning and the conclusions. It is not compelled to work away at keeping up appearances with a bogus spirituality. It is the opposite of desperate and panicky manipulations, of scurrying and worrying. And hoping is not dreaming. It is not spinning an illusion or fantasy to protect us from our boredom or our pain. It means a confident, alert expectation that God will do what he said he will do. It is imagination put in the harness of faith. It is a willingness to let God do it his way and in his time.’

Eugene H Peterson

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MARCH 3, 2024
Order of Worship
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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

LENT

The death and resurrection of Jesus Christ are at the heart of the gospel, and Good Friday and Easter are two of the most significant celebrations of the year. Lent is a season of preparation and repentance during which we anticipate Good Friday and Easter. Just as we carefully prepare for big events in our personal lives, such as a wedding or graduation, Lent invites us to make us ready for remembering Jesus' death and celebrating Jesus' resurrection. The practice of a forty-day preparation period began in the Church during the third and fourth centuries. The number forty carries biblical significance based on the forty years Israel spent in the wilderness and Jesus' forty-day fast in the wilderness. The forty days of Lent begin on Ash Wednesday and continue through holy week, not counting Sundays (which are always days of feasting, celebrating in worship). In practice, many congregations choose to focus Sunday worship on the themes of repentance and renewal.

CALL TO WORSHIP — Psalm 33:1-5

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples!

Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wondrous works!

Glory in his holy name;

let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

Seek the LORD and his strength;

seek his presence continually!

Renewing

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.

Forgive us our sins, O Lord.

**Forgive us the sins of our youth and the sins of our age, the sins of our soul
and the sins of our body,**

our secret and our whispering sins,

our presumptuous and our careless sins,

the sins we have done to please ourselves,

and the sins we have done to please others.

forgive them all because of your goodness.

Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!. — Psalm 32:1-2

All Creatures of Our God and King — Words: St. Francis of Assisi, Music: Peter von Brachel

All creatures of our God and King, Lift up your voice and with us sing.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam, Thou silver moon with softer gleam

Oh praise Him! Oh praise Him! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong, Ye clouds that sail in heaven along

Oh praise Him, Alleluia!

Thou rising moon in praise rejoice, Ye lights of evening find a voice

Oh praise Him! Oh praise Him! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

And all ye men of tender heart, Forgiving others take your part

O, sing ye, Alleluia!

Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, Praise God and on Him cast your care

Oh praise Him! Oh praise Him! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless, And worship Him in humbleness

Oh praise Him, Alleluia!

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, And praise the Spirit, Three in One!

Oh praise Him! Oh praise Him! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Oceans (where feet may fail) — Hillsong United

You call me out upon the waters,
the great unknown where feet may fail

And there I find You in the mystery

In oceans deep, My faith will stand

And I will call upon Your name

And keep my eyes above the waves, when oceans rise

My soul will rest in your embrace

For I am Yours and You are mine

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.

Your grace abounds in deepest waters
Your sovereign hand, Will be my guide
Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me
You've never failed and you won't start now

Chorus

Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders
Let me walk upon the waters, Wherever You would call me
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander
And my faith will be made stronger, In the presence of my Savior
(repeat)

Chorus x2

It Is Well With My Soul — Words: Horatio G. Spafford, Music: by Philip P. Bliss

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
“It is well, it is well with my soul.”

It is well (It is well), With my soul (With my soul),
It is well, it is well with my soul.

My sin – oh the bliss of this glorious thought!
My sin, not in part, but the whole
Was nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

It is well (It is well), With my soul (With my soul),
It is well, it is well with my soul.

And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
Even so, it is well with my soul.

It is well (It is well), With my soul (With my soul),
It is well, it is well with my soul.
It is well (It is well), With my soul (With my soul),
It is well, it is well with my soul.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON STORY

David Pat — Founder & Director of Renewal Ministries

ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

Please stand and introduce yourself to one another.

QUOTES:

‘When Jesus expels demons and heals the sick, he is driving out of creation the powers of destruction, and is healing and restoring created beings who are hurt and sick. The lordship of God to which the healings witness, restores creation to health. Jesus’ healings are not supernatural miracles in a natural world. They are the only truly “natural” thing in a world that is unnatural, demonized and wounded.’—Jurgen Moltmann

‘We love the miraculous stories of Jesus, his feeding of the five thousand, his divine healing, his contagious grace. And we miss the most obvious things about these stories: that we are meant to replicate them in ordinary, non miraculous ways.’—Rosaria Butterfield

‘If you’ve prayed for healing, and not received it, take heart - you’re in good company! Not only was Paul himself not healed, but he also had to leave Trophimus in Miletus because of sickness (2 Timothy 4:20). His beloved friend Epaphroditus was gravely ill (Philippians 2:24-30). His son in the faith, Timothy, had frequent stomach disorders, for which Paul didn’t tell him “claim healing” but to drink a little wine for medicinal purposes (1 Timothy 5:23). Those who claim “anyone with enough faith can be healed” apparently have greater faith than Paul and his ministry associates.’ —Randy Alcorn

NOTES:

SERIES: ON THE ROAD WITH JESUS

Text: Luke 13:10-21

Title: Jesus, the Disruptor

Speaker: Dave Sellers

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. ¹¹ And behold, there was a woman who had had a disabling spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not fully straighten herself. ¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said to her, “Woman, you are freed from your disability.” ¹³ And he laid his hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and she glorified God. ¹⁴ But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, said to the people, “There are six days in which work ought to be done. Come on those days and be healed, and not on the Sabbath day.” ¹⁵ Then the Lord answered him, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it away to water it? ¹⁶ And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day?” ¹⁷ As he said these things, all his adversaries were put to shame, and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by him.

¹⁸ He said therefore, “What is the kingdom of God like? And to what shall I compare it? ¹⁹ It is like a grain of mustard seed that a man took and sowed in his garden, and it grew and became a tree, and the birds of the air made nests in its branches.”

²⁰ And again he said, “To what shall I compare the kingdom of God? ²¹ It is like leaven that a woman took and hid in three measures of flour, until it was all leavened.”

COMMUNION — *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").*

The Lord's Supper is a celebration of God's grace, not our achievement. It is a means of grace through which God acts to seal the promises of the gospel. The power of the celebration does not lie in our ability to think hard about Jesus' death and our sin, but in the way God's Spirit uses the celebration to strengthen us. The Lord's Supper is a gift!

OFFERING — *Offering is a way for members and friends to support the worship and work of the church, its 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



The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it,
the world, and those who live in it.

— Psalm 24:1

It Is Well — Bethel Music

Grandeur earth has quaked before, Moved by the sound of His voice
Seas that are shaken and stirred, Can be calmed and broken for my regard

*And through it all, through it all, My eyes are on You,
And through it all, through it all, It is well
And through it all, through it all, My eyes are on You,
And it is well with me*

Far be it from me to not believe, Even when my eyes can't see
And this mountain that's in front of me, Will be thrown into the midst of sea

*And through it all, through it all, My eyes are on You,
And through it all, through it all, It is well
And through it all, through it all, My eyes are on You,
And it is well with me*

So let go my soul and trust in Him, The waves and wind still know His name
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It is well with my soul, It is well with my soul,
It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul,
It is well, it is well with my soul

*And through it all, through it all, My eyes are on You,
And through it all, through it all, It is well
And through it all, through it all, My eyes are on You,
And it is well with me*

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, forever.
Amen.**

Sending

All Must Be Well — Indelible Grace

Through the love of God our Savior, All will be well
Free and changeless is His favor, All is well
Precious is the blood that healed us, Perfect is the grace that sealed us
Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us, All must be well

Though we pass through tribulation, All will be well
Ours is such a full salvation, All is well
Happy still in God confiding, Fruitful if in Christ abiding
Steadfast through the Spirit's guiding, All must be well

We expect a bright tomorrow; All will be well
Faith can sing through days of sorrow, All is well
On our Father's love relying, Jesus every need supplying
Yes in living or in dying, All must be well
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BENEDICTION — based on Philippians 4:7

The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of God's Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, remain with you always.

Amen.

Announcements

Suquamish Kitchen, March 6: Sign up at crosssound.org/events

Men's Breakfast: Saturday March 9 at 8am crosssound.org/mens-ministry

Game Night on Friday, March 15 Join the women of CSC as we gather at the home of Nancy Lim to play games and laugh together. Bring your favorite snack or beverage to share - or just bring yourself and join us for some fun and games!

March 22: Comedy Night Fundraiser! A Free dinner with Benefit Auction, supporting Young Life BINK, featuring Comedian Robert G Lee. 8595 East Day Road, BI at 6pm. Pre-Registrater at bink.younglifetickets.com/comedy-night

Egg Dash - March 30 We're putting on the annual BI Egg Dash in partnership with New Life again this year and we need your help! There are several ways to get involved. 1. Donate candy to the church office, or here on Sundays (individually wrapped, no hard candy please.) 2. Help us stuff eggs (there are 10,000!) Contact suzanne@crosssound.org to pick up a box of eggs to stuff at home, with your community group, etc, or stop by the church office Sunday March 24 between 12-4 pm and stuff eggs with us! 3. Help with set-up and activities on the day of the event - sign up here: <https://bit.ly/bieggdash2024>



Annual Cross Sound Women's Retreat, April 19-21 at Fort Worden State Park

Getting away with God can look like many things, but it is absolutely essential to doing life with Jesus, not just for him. Come enjoy rest, rediscover spaciousness, and deepen your relationship with Jesus and others through creating an ancient Benedictine tradition called A Rule of Life. Early Bird special ends 3/1. Bring your friends! *Register online, clipboard sign up or email: katiepearson@crosssound.org.*



GriefShare has returned with an 11-week class Thursdays February 29-May 9 at church office 9:45-noon. A recovery program for those who have lost a loved one from death (spouse, older child, family member, friend, co-worker.etc). Brings hope, comfort and healing in a safe confidential environment. Contact Sue MacFarlane: 206-714-5986

Save the date - Summer Activities!

JUNE 21-23: Miracle Ranch 5th-8th Graders

JULY 19-21: all-church camp at Crescent Beach

Women's Bible Study Join us as we study "Gospel on the Ground" by Kristy McClelland. Email: katiepearson@crosssound.org or <http://bit.ly/crosssoundwomen>
MONDAYS 6:30-8:30pm and WEDNESDAYS 9:30-11:30am. Childcare Provided

If you have any announcements that you would like included in the bulletin, please email Kristin@crosssound.org by Wednesday afternoons. Include basic info: Who, What, When and how to sign up!

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: _____

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.