

# God didn't lower the standard of holiness. He found a way to make us holy that isn't dependent on our performance. Grace wins.

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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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# Gathering

CALL TO WORSHIP - Psalm 113:4-9

The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens! Who is like the LORD our God, who is seated on high, who looks far down on the heavens and the earth? He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap, to make them sit with princes, with the princes of his people. He gives the barren woman a home, making her the joyous mother of children. Praise the LORD!

### 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.

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 in imperfect, our love inconsistent, our obedience, incomplete. Forgive us, we pray.

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

Jesus himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were like sheep going astray, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls. In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven! Be at peace. Amen.

#### Battle Belongs — Phil Wickham

When all I see is the battle, You see my victory When all I see is the mountain, You see a mountain moved And as I walk through the shadow, Your love surrounds me There's nothing to fear now, For I am safe with You

So when I fight I'll fight on my knees, with my hands lifted high Oh God the battle belongs to You. And every fear I lay at Your feet I'll sing through the night. Oh God the battle belongs to You

And if You are for me, Who can be against me For Jesus there's nothing impossible for You When all I see are the ashes, You see the beauty When all I see is a cross, God You see the empty tomb

#### Chorus

Almighty Fortress You go before us. Nothing can stand against the power of our God You shine in the shadow. You win every battle Nothing can stand against the power of our God (repeat)

#### Chorus

**Our Great God** — Fernando Ortega, Mac Powell Eternal God, unchanging, mysterious and unknown Your boundless love unfailing, in grace and mercy shown Bright seraphim in endless flight around your glorious throne They raise their voices day and night in praise to You alone

Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God! Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!

Lord we are weak and frail, helpless in the storm. Surround us with your angels, hold us in your arms. Our cold and ruthless enemy, his pleasure is our harm. Rise up, oh Lord, and he will flee before our Sovereign God!

### Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God! Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!

Let every creature in the sea and every flying bird; Let every mountain, every field and valley of the earth; Let all the moons and all the stars in all the universe Sing praises to the living God, who rules them by His word.

Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God! It Is Well — Bethel Music

Grander 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 the sea

Chorus

So let go my soul and trust in Him, The waves and wind still know His name (repeat)... The waves and wind still know His name

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 (repeat)

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

#### CUBA SEND OFF

Adelae and Humberto Roa, Luke Ryan, Ben Van Eaton, Luke Ryan, Jack Grant, Alathea Pippinger, Eli Brouwer, Jamie and Josh Brouwer

### ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING Please stand and introduce yourself to one another.

### QUOTES:

'Listening to that voice with great inner attentiveness, I hear at my centre words that say: "I have called you by name, from the very beginning. You are mine and I am yours. You are my Beloved, on you my favour rests. I have moulded you in the depths of the earth and knitted you together in your mother's womb. I have carved you in the plasm of my hands and hidden you in the shadow of my embrace. I look at you with infinite tenderness and care for you with a care more intimate than that of a mother for her child. I have counted every hair on your head and guided you every step. Wherever you go, I go with you, and wherever you rest, I keep watch. I will give you food that will satisfy all your hunger and drink that will quench all your thirst. I will not hide my face from you. You know me as your own and I know you as my own. You belong to me. I am your father, your mother, your brother, your sister, your lover and your spouse...yes even your child...wherever you are I will be. Nothing will ever separate us. We are one."" — Henri JM Nouwen

"There is no safe investment. To love at all is to be vulnerable. Love anything, and your heart will certainly be wrung and possibly be broken. If you want to make sure of keeping it intact, you must give your heart to no one, not even to an animal. Wrap it carefully round with hobbies and little luxuries; avoid all entanglements; lock it up safe in the casket or coffin of your selfishness. But in that casket – safe, dark, motionless, airless – it will change. It will not be broken; it will become unbreakable, impenetrable, irredeemable. The alternative to tragedy, or at least to the risk of tragedy, is damnation. The only place outside Heaven where you can be perfectly safe from all the dangers and perturbations of love is Hell." — C.S. Lewis, The Four Loves

With the exception of the nursery, all students begin in the worship service. Upon dismissal students may proceed to their individual classes: Nursery Rm 234, Preschool Rm 232, K-1<sup>st</sup> Rm 231, 2-4<sup>th</sup> Rm 229, 5-6<sup>th</sup> Rm 231.

#### MESSAGE

#### Series: On the Road with Jesus: Part 3 Title: There Must be Something More Text: Luke 18:18-30 Speaker: Dave Sellers

And a ruler asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" 19 And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. 20 You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery, Do not murder, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother."<sup>21</sup> And he said, "All these I have kept from my youth." <sup>22</sup> When Jesus heard this, he said to him, "One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." <sup>23</sup> But when he heard these things, he became very sad, for he was extremely rich. <sup>24</sup> Jesus, seeing that he had become sad, said, "How difficult it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup> For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." <sup>26</sup> Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" 27 But he said, "What is impossible with man is possible with God." 28 And Peter said, "See, we have left our homes and followed you." <sup>29</sup> And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or wife or brothers or parents or children, for the sake of the kingdom of God, <sup>30</sup> who will not receive many times more in this time, and in the age to come eternal life."

NOTES:

It has been the practice of the church for thousands of years to have portions of the Bible read during worship services. We do this because we are people who need to be shaped by all of God's word.

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

As God's dear children, then, take him as your pattern, and follow Christ by loving as he loved you, giving himself up for us as an offering and a sweet-smelling offering and sacrifice to God.

#### I Speak Jesus — Charity Gayle, Steven Musso

I just want to speak the name of Jesus, Over every heart and every mind 'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence, I speak Jesus I just want to speak the name of Jesus, 'Til every dark addiction starts to break Declaring there is hope and there is freedom, I speak Jesus

Your name is power, Your name is healing, Your name is life Break every stronghold, Shine through the shadows, Burn like a fire

I just want to speak the name of Jesus, Over fear and all anxiety To every soul held captive by depression, I speak Jesus

Your name is power, Your name is healing, Your name is life Break every stronghold, Shine through the shadows, Burn like a fire Your name is power, Your name is healing, Your name is life Break every stronghold, Shine through the shadows, Burn like a fire

Shout Jesus from the mountains, Jesus in the streets, Jesus in the darkness over every enemy Jesus for my family, I speak the holy name, Jesus (repeat)

Your name is power, Your name is healing, Your name is life Break every stronghold, Shine through the shadows, Burn like a fire Your name is power, Your name is healing, Your name is life Break every stronghold, Shine through the shadows, Burn like a fire

I just want to speak the name of Jesus, Over every heart and every mind 'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence, I speak Jesus

Shout Jesus from the mountains, Jesus in the streets, Jesus in the darkness over every enemy Jesus for my family, I speak the holy name, Jesus (repeat)



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 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

### **Pass The Promise**

I will pray rejoicing from my heart, (Pray rejoicing from my heart) For in Him my victory's lifted high, (His salvation is my cry) He has overcome my enemies, (Our praises scorn the enemy) I delight in His deliverance, (The Lord is our deliverance)

Pass the promise, To our sons and daughters, God most high, God our Father, We bear witness

There is no one holy like the Lord, (Holy, holy is the Lord) Our rock and refuge is our God, (All the earth belongs to God) Do not speak with pride of noble deeds, (For the Lord will weigh our every deed) See the strong have lost, the weak have gained, (From the dust my life He raised)

Pass the promise, To our sons and daughters, God most high, God our Father, We bear witness

He will guard the feet of faithful ones, (He will hold His faithful ones) But the wicked they will not prevail, (Not by might will man prevail) He is coming soon to judge the earth, (He is coming soon to judge the earth) For the Lord gives power to His King, (All Strength to His Anointed King)

Pass the promise, To our sons and daughters, God most high, God our Father, We bear witness (repeat)

BENEDICTION — Numbers 6:24-26, NIV

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace. Amen.

## Announcements

**CSC Community Service** We are launching a program to place our church in volunteer roles that meet pressing needs, create relational opportunities outside CSC, and support fulfilling your callings in Christ that will bring you JOY. Please fill out our volunteer form using the QR code or contact Leigh Ann Grady at communityservice@crosssound.org.



Feb 28: Gather25 Is Coming to Our Community Friday, February 28 from 5 PM - 9PM and Saturday, March 1 from 8AM to 6P at the Bainbridge High School Theater. Join us for Gather25— a 25-hour worldwide event that unites Christians in worship, prayer, and a renewed commitment to the Great Commission. Come for an hour or come for it all. Spread the word. All are welcome! Gather25.com

March 16, 23 & 30: Marriage Round Table: Dan and Becky Allender are planning to lead two of our three weeks together based on their new book (coming out this week), "The Deep Rooted Marriage: Cultivating Intimacy, Healing, and Delight". Join us Sunday evenings for dinner and discussion 6-7:45pm, March 16th, 23rd and 30th at the CSC office (600 Ericksen Ave NE)

March 30: Women's Retreat at Islandwood Join us for "A Spacious Place" from Saturday, March 29 at 5PM to Sunday, March 30 at 3PM. Register at bit.ly/ CSCWomensRetreat2025 or email Ashley@CrossSound.org with questions.

May 9-10: Men's Retreat: Paul Schuler is planning on speaking on "Walking" With God" at Discovery Bay (YWAM camp) in Port Townsend, May 9 - 10 (with an optional day on the 11th--though we're not interfering with Mother's Day!) More information to follow.

Men's Ministry: Bible Study Fellowship Tuesdays at 6:30pm at the Church office (600 Ericksen Ave NE #210). For centuries, people have attempted to unlock the mysteries of Revelation. In this, "The Study of Revelation: Discover Faith, Hope, and Joy", we are given hope of a world made new by the redemption and restoration that Jesus offers today and for eternity. Come try our study! Sign up at www.joinbsf.org. Questions? Email Tony at merritts.wa@gmail.com.

Ongoing Missions and Activites at Cross Sound So many ways to connect!

Contemplative Yoga		
Evening Youth Group		
Men's Bible Study +		
Bible Study Fellowship		
Monthly Men's Breakfast		
Men's Hangouts		

Roundtable Discussions International Ministry: School of Discipleship Search + Rescue Mission • Kenya Small Group Suguamich Kitchen Women's Bible Study

- Ensenada
- Cuba
- Mexico City

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:		
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.