

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; Give thanks to him and praise his name.

Psalm 100:4

### 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 86:8-10

Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

Response: His love endures forever.

Pastor: To him who remembered us in our low estate.

Response His love endures forever.

Pastor: To him who alone does great wonders.

Response: His love endures forever.

Pastor: Give thanks to the God of heaven. Response: His love endures forever.

## 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.

#### Heavenly Father,

We confess to you, and to one another, that we have entered your presence with countless prayers, but with hearts that have been closed to your grace.

We have lifted our hands to you in praise, but our feet have still walked in the ways of sin.

We have bemoaned what we do not have, and have failed to be grateful for your innumerable blessings, and for the wonders of your salvation and love.

In your deep love for us, and in the glorious grace of Jesus, forgive us, fill us, and free us to follow Him with consistency, power, and joy, we pray.

Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit. When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." And you forgave the guilt of my sin.

Praise God! In Jesus Christ, We are forgiven!

#### **Build Your Kingdom Here**

Come set Your rule and reign, In our hearts again Increase in us we pray, Unveil why we're made Come set our hearts ablaze with hope, Like wildfire in our very souls Holy Spirit come invade us now

We are Your Church, We need Your power in Us...

We seek Your kingdom first, We hunger and we thirst Refuse to waste our lives, For You're our joy and prize To see the captive hearts released, The hurt; the sick; the poor at peace We lay down our lives for Heaven's cause

We are Your Church, We pray revive this earth...

Build Your kingdom here, Let the darkness fear Show Your mighty hand, Heal our streets and land Set Your church on fire, Win this nation back Change the atmosphere, Build Your kingdom here we pray!

Unleash Your kingdom's power, Reaching the near and far No force of hell can stop, Your beauty changing hearts You made us for much more than this, Awake the kingdom seed in us Fill us with the strength and love of Christ

We are Your Church, We are the hope on earth...

Chorus

#### Here I Am To Worship

Light of the World, You stepped down into darkness, Opened my eyes, let me see Beauty that made this heart adore You, Hope of a life spent with you

Here I am to worship, Here I am to bow down, here I am to say that you're my God You're altogether lovely, Altogether worthy, Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days, Oh so highly exalted, Glorious in Heaven Above Humbly You came to the earth You created, All for love's sake became poor

Chorus x2

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And I'll never know how much it cost, To see my sin upon that cross And I'll never know how much it cost, To see my sin upon that cross

Chorus x2

#### Oh God — The Citizens - Zach Bolen

In the valley, oh God, You're near, In the quiet, oh God, You're near In the shadow, oh God, You're near, At my breaking, Oh God, You're near

Oh God, You never leave my side, Your love stands firm through all my life

In my searching, oh God, You're near, In my wandering, oh God, You're near When I feel alone, oh God, You're near, At my lowest, oh God, You're near

Oh God, You never leave my side, Your love stands firm through all my life

Height nor depth nor anything else could pull us apart, We are joined as one by Your blood Hope will rise as we become more than conquerors through, the One who loved the world Height nor depth nor anything else could pull us apart, We are joined as one by Your blood Hope will rise as we become more than conquerors through, the One who loved the world

Oh God, You never leave my side, Your love stands firm through all my life (x3)

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.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

Please stand and introduce yourself to one another.

#### THANKSGIVING PONDERINGS:

"Gratitude is an offering precious in the sight of God, and it is one that the poorest of us can make and be not poorer but richer for having made it." — A.W. Tozer

"The habit of celebrating the greatness and graciousness of God yields an endless flow of thankfulness, joy, and zeal." — J.I. Packer

"When it comes to life the critical thing is whether you take things for granted or take them with gratitude." — G.K. Chesterton

"In happy moments, praise God. In difficult moments, seek God. In quiet moments, worship God. In painful moments, trust God. Every moment, thank God." — Rick Warren

"To be grateful is to recognize the love of God in everything He has given us -- and He has given us everything." — Thomas Merton

#### MESSAGE SERIES: GENESIS

Title: Every Day Thanksgiving Passage: Luke 17:11-16 Speaker: Dave O'Connell

Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup> As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance <sup>13</sup> and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!"

<sup>14</sup>When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed.

<sup>15</sup> One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. <sup>16</sup> He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan.

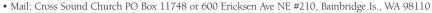
#### NOTES:

OPEN MIC / SHARING THANKS — Let's share our gratitude and publicly give thanks to God. All are invited to participate in this act of worship as we share some of the many ways that we have been loved and blessed by our great Savior this year.

"I will give thanks to you, LORD, with all my heart;
I will tell of all your wonderful deeds."
— Psalm 9:1

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





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

- 1 Chronicles 29:9

#### Lord I Need You

Lord, I come, I confess, Bowing here I find my rest Without You I fall apart, You're the One that guides my heart

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You, Every hour I need You My one defense, my righteousness, Oh God, how I need You

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more, Where grace is found is where You are And where You are, Lord, I am free, Holiness is Christ in me

#### Chorus

Teach my song to rise to You When temptation comes my way And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You Jesus, You're my hope and stay

#### Chorus

My one defense, my righteousness, Oh God, how I need You

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, For ever. 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 On our Father's love relying, Jesus every need supplying Yes in living or in dying, All must be well

BENEDICTION — Numbers 6:24-25

May the Lord bless you and keep you; May the Lord make his face shine on you, and be gracious to you; May the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace. **Amen.** 

### Announcements

**Dec 3: Romjues/First Aid Arts Lunch after Service!** Hug the Romjues and celebrate stories of hope and healing with Cross Sound Church ministry partner First Aid Arts. Attendance is free and lunch is provided. Plan to join us immediately following worship in the 100 Building.

**Dec 3: 5th-12th Grade Service Project Sunday,** Join us Sunday, December 3rd as we hand out gift bags to the homeless in Seattle. Meet at the Bainbridge Island ferry terminal at 1:05 pm. Once in Seattle, we'll walk to MOD Pizza for a bite and then start a loop from the International District up 6th Ave to Westlake and then to the Pike Place Market. We will be back on the 4:45 pm boat to Seattle.

**Dec 9: Women's Advent Brunch - You're Invited!** for Saturday, Dec 9 at Island School. *Questions*? Email Ashley@CrossSound.org or bit.ly/cscwomensadvent2023

**Dec 17: Kids Annual Nativity Play** We'd love to invite your children to join in the Nativity Play this Christmas and tell the story of Jesus' birth. There will be parts for those who feel comfortable talking and also for those who'd like to participate quietly. Sign ups coming soon. Rehearsals begin Dec 3 after church.

**Dec 24: Christmas Eve Service** We look forward to celebrating Christmas with you, your family and friends at our 10 am Family Service or 7pm Carols & Candlelight Service. Merry Christmas!

**Angel Tree Christmas Gifting is BACK!** Provide a tangible gift of God's love for local kids and families of incarcerated parents/souses this Christmas by participating in our annual Angel Tree program.

- SELECT A GIFT TAG from the tree at church services: November 12 and 19 (Can't make it those Sundays? Email dede.knapp@hotmail.com for a gift request)
- DEADLINE to drop off all wrapped gifts to church office (preferred) or church service is December 12. (Please email dede.knapp@hotmail.com with any questions or if you are able to help deliver gifts. We need delivery teams December 16-20).

**Socks & Underwear Drive** Cross Sound Youth is doing its annual Warm Winter Sock & Underwear Drive. We are looking to gather 200 pairs of new warm winter socks and underwear which will be part of our gift bags for the homeless this winter. Donations can be dropped at our office (600 Ericksen Ave. N.E., B.I) in a bin outside the office door or at church.

**Pies For First Responders** Do you love baking pies this time of year? If YES, you're invited to join Cross Sound's tradition of delivering pies to First Responders... any local fire/police station... any time. Thank you!

### 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.