



God knows us to
the bottom, yet
nevertheless loves us
to the skies.

—

Tim Keller

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
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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

CALL TO WORSHIP — Portions of Psalm 9:1-10

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;
I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.
I will be glad and exult in you;
I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.
The Lord reigns forever;
He rules the world in righteousness.
The Lord is a refuge and stronghold.
Those who know your name trust in you.
You never forsake those who seek you.

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 that at many times, and in many ways this week,
we have failed to celebrate, honor, and follow you.
This has been true in our thinking, and in our feeling;
And in the ways that we have lived with others, and with you.
Forgive us again, Father, for our many shortcomings and sin.
And thank you. Thank you for your grace given to us in Jesus!
Continue to work in us, that we might live lives that are
full, free, and filled with Him, we pray.
Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE — Psalm 103:11-12

For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his love for those who fear him.
As far as the east is from the west,
so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

Because of Jesus Christ,
and in Jesus Christ,
we are forgiven.
Rejoice!

Come Alive (Dry Bones)

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 to 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

Chorus

So breathe, oh breath of God, Now breathe, oh breath of God,
Breathe, oh breath of God, Now breathe (repeat)

Chorus

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing — Robinson, Nettleton, Wyeth
Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy, never ceasing Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet Sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of thy redeeming love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer, Here by thy great help I've come
And I hope, by thy good pleasure Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood.

O, to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for thy courts above.

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.

Good, Good Father — Pat Barrett, Tony Brown

Oh, I've heard a thousand stories, of what they think You're like
But I've heard the tender whisper, of love in the dead of night
And You tell me that You're pleased and that I'm never alone

*You're a good, good Father, It's who You are, It's who You are, It's who You are,
And I'm loved by You, It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am*

Oh, and I've seen many searching for answers far and wide
But I know we're all searching for answers only You provide
'Cause You know just what we need before we say a word

*You're a good, good Father, It's who You are, It's who You are, It's who You are,
And I'm loved by You, It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am*

You are perfect in all of Your ways. You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

Oh, it's love so undeniable, I, I can hardly speak
Peace so unexplainable, I, I can hardly think
As You call me deeper still, As You call me deeper still,
As You call me deeper still, Into love, love, love

*You're a good, good Father, It's who You are, It's who You are, It's who You are,
And I'm loved by You, It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am (repeat)*

You are perfect in all of Your ways. You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

Please stand and introduce yourself to one another.

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

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

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-1st Rm 231, 2-4th Rm 229, 5-6th Rm 231.

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.

MESSAGE

Series: On the Road with Jesus

Text: Luke 22:54-62

Sermon Title: Peter's Denials

Speaker: Dave O'Connell

Then seizing him, they led him away and took him into the house of the high priest. Peter followed at a distance. ⁵⁵ And when some there had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and had sat down together, Peter sat down with them. ⁵⁶ A servant girl saw him seated there in the firelight. She looked closely at him and said, "This man was with him."

⁵⁷ But he denied it. "Woman, I don't know him," he said.

⁵⁸ A little later someone else saw him and said, "You also are one of them."
"Man, I am not!" Peter replied.

⁵⁹ About an hour later another asserted, "Certainly this fellow was with him, for he is a Galilean."

⁶⁰ Peter replied, "Man, I don't know what you're talking about!" Just as he was speaking, the rooster crowed. ⁶¹ The Lord turned and looked straight at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word the Lord had spoken to him: "Before the rooster crows today, you will disown me three times." ⁶² And he went outside and wept bitterly.

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](mailto:bookkeeper@crosssound.org)
- Mail: Cross Sound Church PO Box 11748 or 600 Ericksen Ave NE #210, Bainbridge Is., WA 98110



As you excel in everything — in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you — see that you excel in this act of grace also. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

— 2 Corinthians 8:7&9

Reckless Love — Cory Asbury

Before I spoke a word, You were singing over me,
You have been so, so good to me
Before I took a breath, You breathed Your life in me,
You have been so, so kind to me

*Oh the overwhelming, never ending, reckless love of God
Oh, it chases me down, fights 'till I'm found, leaves the ninety nine
I couldn't earn it I don't deserve it Still, You give yourself away
Oh the overwhelming, never ending, reckless love of God*

When I was Your foe, still Your love fought for me,
You have been so, so good to me
When I felt no worth, You paid it all for me
You have been so, so kind to me

Chorus

There's no shadow You won't light up,
mountain You won't climb up, coming after me
There's no wall You won't kick down,
No lie You won't tear down, coming after me

Chorus

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").

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

All of us, like sheep, have strayed away.
We have left God's paths to follow our own.
Yet the Lord laid on him the sins of us all.

— Isaiah

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

— Romans 8:1&38

Sing to the Lord, praise His name; proclaim His salvation day after day!

— Psalm 96:2

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

Desert Song — Hillsong United

This is my prayer in the desert, when all that's within me feels dry
This is my prayer in my hunger and need, my God is the God who provides
This is my prayer in the fire, in weakness or trial or pain
There is a faith proved of more worth than gold, so refine me Lord through the flame

I will bring praise, I will bring praise, No weapon formed against me shall remain
I will rejoice, I will declare, God is my victory and He is here

This is my prayer in the battle, when triumph is still on its way
I am a conqueror and co-heir with Christ, so firm on His promise I'll stand

I will bring praise, I will bring praise, No weapon formed against me shall remain
I will rejoice, I will declare, God is my victory and He is here

All of my life, in every season, You are still God,
I have a reason to sing, I have a reason to worship (repeat)

I will bring praise, I will bring praise, No weapon formed against me shall remain
I will rejoice, I will declare, God is my victory and He is here

This is my prayer in the harvest, when favor and providence flow
I know I'm filled to be emptied again, the seed I've received I will sow.

BENEDICTION

May the blessing of God,
Father, Son, & Spirit
rest upon you.
And in His grace, may we
live to His praise!
Amen.

Announcements

Final Marriage Round Table today: Dan and Becky Allender return to study their book, "*The Deep Rooted Marriage: Cultivating Intimacy, Healing, and Delight*". Join Dave Sellers and Katie Pearson Sunday evenings for dinner and discussion 6-7:45pm, March 16, 23 and 30 at the CSC office (600 Ericksen Ave NE). RSVP to dave@crosssound.org

May 9-10: Men's Retreat: Paul Schuler is speaking on "Walking With God" at Discovery Bay (YWAM camp) in Port Townsend, May 9-11. Sign up via QR code on online bit.ly/CSCMensRetreat2025



May 23-26: Cross Sound Family Camp We're headed to Young Life Camp at Washington Family Ranch in Oregon. Live it up with your family on the zip line, go carts, pool, blob, skatepark, rock climbing, Family Club and more. What a time to grow closer to each other and closer to God. Memorial Day Weekend - May 23-26 - And our church is subsidizing the cost so you will only pay \$100 per person! Join us! For registration info email: Brooke.wellman@yahoo.com

Holy Week with Cross Sound Church at the BI High School Theater

- Weeds to Flowers Saturday, April 12 - Annual Community Service Project**
- Palm Sunday, April 13 at 10am (*email communityservice@crosssound.org)
- Good Friday, April 18 at 7pm if you're interested in this project!
- Easter Sunday, April 20 at 10am and Annual Potluck Celebration directly after

Easter Lunch Side Dish Clipboard Sign Up: Every year we like to keep the celebration going by having an all-church lunch after Easter Service. This year the main course will be prepared by Blanca... and we are looking for helpers to provide salads and desserts (something low-stress and simple that can be prepared beforehand, and requires no prep Sunday morning). If you can contribute, please sign up on the clipboard! Thank you!

April 19: Egg Dash 2025 Candy Donations! We are partnering with New Life again to put on the egg dash and have 5,000 eggs to stuff - we need your help! We're collecting candy (no nuts please) Sunday mornings and at the office during the week. Sign up to volunteer and/or for information via QR code or online bit.ly/bieggdash2025



Men's Ministry: Bible Study Fellowship Tuesdays at 6:30pm at the Church office. Sign up at www.joinbsf.org or email Tony at merritts.wa@gmail.com. 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!

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: _____

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.