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C.S. Lewis

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 68:32-35

O kingdoms of the earth, sing to God;

sing praises to the Lord,

to him who rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens;

behold, he sends out his voice, his mighty voice.

Ascribe power to God,

whose majesty is over Israel, and whose power is in the skies.

Awesome is God from his sanctuary;

the God of Israel—he is the one who gives power and strength to his people.

Blessed be God!

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 us for the sake of your Son.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

Hear the good news!
Who is in a position to condemn?
Only Christ,
and Christ died for us,
Christ rose for us,
Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.
Anyone who is in Christ
is a new creation.
The old life has gone;
a new life has begun.
Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace. Thanks be to God.
— based on Romans 8:34: 2 Corinthians 5:17

Graves Into Gardens — Elevation Worship, Brandon Lake I searched the world, But it couldn't fill me, Man's empty praise, and treasures that fade, are never enough Then You came along, And put me back together, And every desire, is now satisfied, Here in Your love

Oh there's nothing better than You , There's nothing better than You Lord there's nothing, Nothing is better than You

I'm not afraid To show You my weakness My failures and flaws, Lord You've seen them all, And You still call me friend Cause the God of the mountain, Is the God of the valley There's not a place Your mercy and grace, Won't find me again

Chorus

Bridge:

You turn mourning to dancing, You give beauty for ashes, You turn shame into glory, You're the only one who can You turn mourning to dancing, You give beauty for ashes, You turn shame into glory, You're the only one who can, You turn graves into gardens You turn bones into armies, You turn seas into highways, You're the only one who can You're the only one who can

Chorus + Bridge

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.

Mighty To Save — Hillsong

Everyone needs compassion, a love that's never failing, Let mercy fall on us Everyone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Savior. The hope of nations

Savior, He can move the mountains.

Our God is mighty to save. He is mighty to save

Forever, author of salvation, He rose and conquered the grave

Jesus conquered the grave

So take us as You find us, all our fears and failures, Fill our lives again We give our lives to follow everything we believe in, Now we surrender

Chorus

Shine your light and let the whole world see, we're singing For the glory of the risen King Jesus Shine your light and let the whole world see, we're singing. For the glory of the risen King

Chorus x2

Lighthouse = VOUS Worship

Your Love, a beacon of hope, A tower of strength, Refuge of old, Your light is calling me home, Pulling me in, drawing me close

Lighthouse, Your name is a Lighthouse, Your love casts all fear out, You pierce through the night Lighthouse, Your name is a Lighthouse, That the darkness cannot hide, Jesus You are light

My heart a vessel of clay, A ship in the night, Seeking the day Your love is guiding my way, Lighting my path, Calling my name

Chorus x2

Search the waters of my soul, Speak the Word and fear will go, Master of the raging sea, Calm the storm that rages in me Set my eyes above the waves, Send Your peace and fear obeys Master of the violent night, Deepest darkness, brightest light

Chorus x2

TUESDAY AFTERNOON STORY — Robert Freeman

ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

Please stand and introduce yourself to one another.

QUOTES:

Corresponding to the principle of theology that God is always greater than we can imagine is the principle of eschatology that the fulfillment God gives will always be better than we can imagine. — Richard Baukham

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SERIES: GOSPEL CULTURE

Text: Revelation 1:9-20
Title: The Keyholder
Speaker: Paul Schuler

I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. ¹⁰ I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet ¹¹ saying, "Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea."

Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³ and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. ¹⁴ The hairs of his head were white, like white wool, like snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, ¹⁵ his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. ¹⁶ In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength.

When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, ¹⁸ and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades. ¹⁹ Write therefore the things that you have seen, those that are and those that are to take place after this. ²⁰ As for the mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand, and the seven golden lampstands, the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

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

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts.

Worship the LORD in holy splendor; tremble before him, all the earth.



- Psalm 96:8-9

No Fear In Love — *Steffens Gretzinger*

Stir in me a love that's deep, A love that's wide, A love that's sweet And help me Lord to never keep it to myself And if my heart should dimly burn, And if my feet should fail to run Call my name and I will come right back to You

There's no fear in love, There's no fear in love.

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There's no fear in love, There's no fear in love, There's no fear in love, There's no fear in love.

I want to stay close to You, It's really that simple I want to stay close to You, Just as simple as this song I want to stay close to You, It's really that simple I want to stay close to You, My whole life long

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

The Love of The Father — James Ferguson & Rich Thompson Lift up your voices and lift up your praise, Join with the heavens declaring the wonders of His faithfulness forever Sing of the victory, the hope of the world, The Savior has risen, the Spirit has come to bring us into love forever

We are the people of God, With the freedom of hope in our hearts, How great is the love of the Father

Lifted from darkness and into the light, The sons and the daughters are loved at a price, Our God has made us His forever

We are the people of God, With the freedom of hope in our hearts, How great is the love of the Father We are the people of God, With the freedom of hope in our hearts, How great is the love of the Father

This is the song of the redeemed, The ransomed and the free, Given life at such a price, This is love, this is love And when the Father calls us home, And we see Him on the throne Hear the voices sing as one, This is love, this is love

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BENEDICTION — Matthew 28:19-20

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Announcements

Annual Ensenada Homebuilding Trip Sign up! Every year for the past 25 years Cross Sound Church has sent a team to Ensenada, Mexico through YWAM's (Youth with a Mission) Homes of Hope organization, to build 16'x20' houses for families that live in very poor housing conditions. To date, we've had the opportunity to build over 45 homes. We have reserved room for 75 people to build 4 houses. We leave Sat Nov 23 and return Friday Nov 29 (the day after Thanksgiving). The cost of the trip is approx \$1,100 per person (includes roundtrip airfare, room and board, and transport from San Diego to Ensenada. CSC will raise funds for the cost of building materials. Interested in going? Sign up here (link or QR code!) >> bit.ly/CSCEnsenada2024 Questions? Contact Stu: stuart@seattlepump.com

May 1: Another Suquamish Community Kitchen opportunity is coming up! We are preparing and serving dinner this Wednesday. If you would like to help in some way, register online at <u>crosssound.org/events</u>. There are many opportunities!

May 2: Join our YWAM students for National Day of Prayer 6:30pm at Gateway Church

May 19: Braver Angel's Luncheon Workshop: How do we navigate a Presidential Year? Braver Angels is a New York-based 501 nonprofit dedicated to political depolarization through workshops where "red" and "blue" participants attempt to better understand one another's positions and discover their shared values. Join us Sunday, May 19, 12:00-6:30p.

Dinner For 8: We'd love to get to know each other better You are invited to host or attend a multigenerational dinner. at 5:00 on 3 Sundays of your choice in May or June (with drop off free childcare provided at the church office). It could be at your host's house, a beach bonfire or coffee shop, etc. as you wish. (If those dates don't work, feel free to do whatever is best for your group). If you'd like to participate or host, please email Brooke Wellman at Brooke.wellman@yahoo.com

Cross Sound Kids Summer Intern: Calling college students and high school juniors and seniors - if you like working with kids and are looking for a summer leadership opportunity, come be our summer intern! This is a paid position. Contact suzanne@crosssound.org or brooke@crosssound.org with any questions. View the job description here: bit.ly/interncskids2024

June 21-23: Miracle Ranch 5th-8th Graders Come kick off Summer vacation and join us for a weekend of incredible FUN at Miracle Ranch in Port Orchard. Activities include gaga ball, a game room, a rodeo, a climbing wall, a snack shop, large group meetings, and the opportunity to participate in, horseback riding, high ropes, and paintball. Sign up here: bit.ly/5-8miracleranch2024 or QR code >



June 22: Day at Miracle Ranch K-4th Spend a day with us at Miracle Ranch! So many Summer-Fun activities! PreK (age 4+) also welcome with a parent. Visit the link to learn all the details and to sign up. Sign up by May 30. Contact suzanne@crosssound.org for questions, or to volunteer. Student and adult volunteers needed! bit.ly/K-4miracleranch2024



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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.