



We do not merely
“see” beauty. We want
to be united with it, to
receive it into ourselves,
to become part of it.

—

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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To learn more about the entire staff and our team of Elders, Deacons, International Ministers and Community Group Leaders, visit our website: crosssound.org call our office: (206) 842-6898 or email info@crosssound.org

As we gather to worship, please silence all mobile phones and devices for the duration of the service.

Gathering

CALL TO WORSHIP — Isaiah 12:4-5

And you will say in that day:

“Give thanks to the LORD,

call upon his name,

make known his deeds among the peoples,

proclaim that his name is exalted.

Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously;

let this be made known in all the earth.

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 our lack of faith, God,

and cover our apathy,

our thoughtlessness,

our self-centeredness,

our wrong choices.

See into our hearts,

the righteousness of Jesus. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE — Romans 8:1

There is now no condemnation

for those who are in Christ Jesus.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Amen.

Jesus Anthem/Great Are You Lord — Phil Wickham

So many reasons, too many to count.
To say that I love You, to worship You now.
Your love is perfect, and Your heart is kind.
I'm Yours forever, forever You're mine.

*Jesus, the anthem of my heart, Jesus the anchor of my soul,
I'm overwhelmed by all You are, Oh, how I love You*

You call me beloved, and I call you friend.
Your grace says I'm worthy, You welcome me in.
Now all that I long for, and all that I need,
Is to be in Your presence, Forever I fall at Your feet

*Jesus, the anthem of my heart, Jesus the anchor of my soul,
I'm overwhelmed by all You are, Oh, how I love You (repeat)*

(Bridge A)

Faithful to the end - God You are always good.
Where do I begin - There's so many reasons to love You (repeat)

*Jesus, the anthem of my heart, Jesus the anchor of my soul,
I'm overwhelmed by all You are, Oh, how I love You (repeat)*

(Bridge B)

All the earth will shout Your praise,
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing, Great are You, Lord (repeat)

It's Your breath in our lungs, So we pour out our praise, We pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs, So we pour out our praise to You only (repeat)
It's Your breath in our lungs, So we pour out our praise, We pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs So we pour out our praise to You only

Great are you Lord, Great are you Lord, Great are you Lord, Great are you Lord

Resurrecting — Chris Brown | Mack Brock | Matthews Ntlele | Steven Furtick | Wade Joye

The head that once was crowned with thorns, Is crowned with glory now
The Savior knelt to wash our feet, Now at his feet we bow

The one who wore our sin and shame, Now robed in majesty,
The radiance of perfect love, Now shines for all to see

Your name, Your name, Is victory, All praise, Will rise, To Christ our king

The fear that held us now gives way,
To him who is our peace,
His final breath upon the cross,
Is now alive in me

Your name, Your name, Is victory, All praise, Will rise, To Christ our king
Your name, Your name, Is victory, All praise, Will rise, To Christ our king

BRIDGE:

By your spirit I will rise, From the ashes of defeat,
The resurrected king, Is resurrecting me
In your name I come alive, To declare your victory,
The resurrected king, Is resurrecting me

The tomb where soldiers watched in vain, Was borrowed for three days
His body there would not remain, Our God has robbed the grave , Our God has
robbed the grave

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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.

NOTES:

MESSAGE SERIES: GENESIS

Text: Psalm 103:2-5, Luke 17:2-19
Title: A Thanksgiving of Repentance
Speaker: Jim Wellman

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits,
³ who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,
⁴ who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
⁵ who satisfies you with good
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance ¹³ and lifted their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; ¹⁶ and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine?" ¹⁸ Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

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, 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

So here’s what I want you to do, God helping you:

Take your everyday, ordinary life—

your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—
and place it before God as an offering.

Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him.

— Romans 12:1

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not,
As Thou has been Thou forever wilt be.
Great is Thy faithfulness!, Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided,
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness, To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.
Great is Thy faithfulness!, Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided,
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide.
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside
Great is Thy faithfulness!, Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided,
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

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”).

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, For ever. Amen.

Sending

House of The Lord — Phil Wickham

We worship the God who was, We worship the God who is,
We worship the God who evermore will be
He opened the prison doors, He parted the raging sea,
My God, He holds the victory

*There's joy in the house of the Lord, There's joy in the house of the Lord today,
And we won't be quiet, We shout out Your praise
There's joy in the house of the Lord, Our God is surely in this place,
And we won't be quiet, We shout out Your praise,*

We sing to the God who heals, We sing to the God who saves,
We sing to the God who always makes a way
He hung upon that cross, Then He rose up from that grave,
My God's still rolling stones away

*There's joy in the house of the Lord, There's joy in the house of the Lord today,
And we won't be quiet, We shout out Your praise
There's joy in the house of the Lord, Our God is surely in this place,
And we won't be quiet, We shout out Your praise*

Bridge:

We were the beggars, Now we're royalty,
We were the prisoners, Now we're running free
We are forgiven, accepted, Redeemed by His grace,
Let the house of the Lord sing praise (repeat)

*There's joy in the house of the Lord, There's joy in the house of the Lord today,
And we won't be quiet, We shout out Your praise
There's joy in the house of the Lord, Our God is surely in this place,
And we won't be quiet, We shout out Your praise, We shout out Your praise...*

BENEDICTION — African Blessing

All our problems, We send to the cross of Christ!
All our difficulties, We send to the cross of Christ!
All the devil's works, We send to the cross of Christ!
All our hopes, We set on the risen Christ!

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you and give you peace; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen. Amen.

The benediction, different from good wishes or even a prayer, is a pronouncement of God's blessing. God sends us out in peace, giving us his presence as we go to be blessing-bearers to the world.

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 grab a bubble tea 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 3: Nativity Play Rehearsal Begins! We'd love to invite CS Kids to join in the Nativity Play this Christmas and tell the story of Jesus' birth. There are parts for those who feel comfortable talking and for those who'd like to participate quietly. Rehearsals are Dec 3 + 10 after church. Info and sign up here <https://bit.ly/cskidsnativity2023> or QR code.



Dec 12: Deadline to Drop Off Angel Tree Christmas Gifts If you have a gift to drop off, please wrap it and deliver to the church office (preferred) or church service on 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).*

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!

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.

School of Discipleship Returns in January: Please join Dave O and Katie Pearson for four Sunday evenings in January to draw closer to Jesus through a program called "The Prayer Practice". Dinner and Childcare provided! If interested, email Katie: katiepearson@crosssound.org

Shoes for Cuba The Cuba Missions team is collecting new youth and children-sized shoes/sneakers for their upcoming trip. Please drop-off at the church office!

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.