



The Bible is not a
rule book or a set of
directions; it's a love
story—a romantic,
courageous love story
we're invited to believe.

—

Tyler Staton

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 — Based on Isaiah 55:1-3

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

“It is fitting that by the confession of our own wretchedness, we show forth the goodness and mercy of our 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.

**Jesus, who sat at the table with outcasts and sinners,
we confess that too often our words and actions
are not consistent with our beliefs.
Often we ignore the needy,
show indifference to the lonely,
and reject those who seem different from us...
different races, economic groups, politics, religion...
Forgive us, we pray.
Empower us to reach out in love and acceptance
through your name. Amen**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE — Romans 8:15-17

You did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear,
but you have received a spirit of adoption.
When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit
bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God,
and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ.
Hear the Good News! In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Be at peace!

Text in bold is read by the entire congregation. Plain text is read by the worship leader only.

Honey In The Rock

*There's honey in the rock, water in the stone
Manna on the ground, no matter where I go
I don't need to worry now that I know, Everything I need You've got
There's honey in the rock*

Praying for a miracle, Thirsty for the Living Well
Only You can satisfy
Sweetness at the mercy seat, Now I've tasted, it's not hard to see
Only You can satisfy

There's honey in the rock, There's honey in the rock
There's honey in the rock, There's honey in the rock

Freedom where the Spirit is, Bounty in the wilderness
You will always satisfy

*There's honey in the rock, water in the stone
Manna on the ground, no matter where I go
I don't need to worry now that I know, Everything I need You've got
There's honey in the rock
There's honey in the rock, purpose in Your plan,
Power in the blood, healing in Your hands
Started flowing when You said it is done,
Everything You did's enough, Jesus who you are is enough*

I keep looking, I keep finding, You keep giving, keep providing,
I have all that I need, You are all that I need
I keep praying, You keep moving,
I keep praising, You keep proving,
I have all that I need, You are all that I need

Chorus

There's honey in the rock, There's honey in the rock
There's honey in the rock, There's honey in the rock

Oh how sweet, How sweet it is, To trust in You, Jesus,
Oh how sweet, How sweet it is, To trust in You, Jesus
Oh, how sweet, How sweet it is, To trust in You, Jesus

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.

The Passion — Hillsong

The passion of our Savior, The mercy of our God
The cross that leaves question, Of the measure of His love

*Our chains are gone, Our debt is paid, The cross has over thrown the grave
For Jesus' blood that sets us free, Means death to death And life for me*

The Innocent judged guilty, While the guilty one walks free
Death would be His portion, And our portion liberty

Chorus

I give my whole life, To honor this love, By the Lamb who was slain I'm forgiven
The sinner's Savior, Crown Him forever, For the Lamb who was slain He is risen
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Chorus

His Mercy is More — Matt Boswell and Matt Papa

What love could remember no wrongs we have done,
Omniscient, all knowing, he counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

*Praise the Lord, His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness, new every morn,
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more*

What patience would wait as we constantly roam,
What father, so tender, is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor,
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

Chorus

What riches of kindness he lavished on us,
His blood was the payment, his life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford,
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

Chorus

TUESDAY AFTERNOON STORY — Becky Allender

ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

Please stand and introduce yourself to one another.

QUOTES:

“The most serious mistakes are not being made as a result of wrong answers. The true dangerous thing is asking the wrong question.” — Peter Drucker

“The master key of knowledge is, indeed, a persistent and frequent questioning.”
— Peter Abelard

“You can tell whether a man is clever by his answers. You can tell whether a man is wise by his questions.” — Naguib Mahfouz

“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. “Which of you, if your son asks for bread, will give him a stone?... — Matthew 7:7-9

NOTES:

SERIES: GENESIS

Text: Psalm 42

Title: Talking to Your Soul

Speaker: Dan Allender

As a deer pants for flowing streams,
so pants my soul for you, O God.

² My soul thirsts for God,
for the living God.
When shall I come and appear before God?

³ My tears have been my food
day and night,
while they say to me all the day long,
“Where is your God?”

⁴ These things I remember,
as I pour out my soul:
how I would go with the throng
and lead them in procession to the house of God
with glad shouts and songs of praise,
a multitude keeping festival.

⁵ Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you in turmoil within me?
Hope in God; for I shall again praise him,
my salvation
and my God.

⁶ My soul is cast down within me;
therefore I remember you
from the land of Jordan and of Hermon,
from Mount Mizar.

⁷ Deep calls to deep
at the roar of your waterfalls;
all your breakers and your waves
have gone over me.

⁸ By day the LORD commands his steadfast love,
and at night his song is with me,
a prayer to the God of my life.

⁹ I say to God, my rock:
“Why have you forgotten me?
Why do I go mourning
because of the oppression of the enemy?”

¹⁰ As with a deadly wound in my bones,
my adversaries taunt me,
while they say to me all the day long,
“Where is your God?”

Psa. 42:11 Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you in turmoil within me?
Hope in God; for I shall again praise him,
my salvation and my God.

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.

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 Eucharist is a moment of new creation, a point at which heaven and earth intersect, a foretaste of the renewal of all things. It is a sign and means of grace, where the past, the future, and the present come together."

—N.T. Wright

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



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

Don't Forget His Love (Psalm 103) — Ellie Holcomb

Praise the Lord, O, my soul,
O, and all my inmost being
Praise the Lord, O, my soul,
don't forget His love

Who forgives all of your sins?
And who heals all your diseases?
Who redeems your life from the pit?
And who crowns you with His love?

Who satisfies your desires,
with good and lovely things?
Who renews your heart
like a flight on eagles' wings?

Praise the Lord, O, my soul,
O, and all my inmost being
Praise the Lord, O, my soul,
don't forget His love

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

Blessed Be Your Name — Matt Redman, 2002

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name
And blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name

*Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise,
And when the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say
Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be Your glorious name*

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be, blessed be Your name
And blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name

Chorus

You give and take away, You give and take away,
My heart will choose to say Lord, blessed be Your name
You give and take away, You give and take away,
My heart will choose to say Lord, blessed be Your name

Chorus

You give and take away, You give and take away,
My heart will choose to say Lord, blessed be Your name
You give and take away, You give and take away,
My heart will choose to say Lord, blessed be Your name

BENEDICTION — Romans 11:33-36

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!
“For who has known the mind of the Lord?
Or who has been his counselor?”
“Or who has given a gift to him,
to receive a gift in return?”
For from him and through him and to him are all things.
To him be the glory forever. 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

Sunday Mornings at 8:15: "The After Party: Toward Better Christian Politics"

Join us Sunday mornings at 8:15am, beginning Oct 6 in the BHS Library for this 6 week video series and discussion group for people who know there's a better way to "do politics." This material is designed through "Christianity Today" to equip, encourage and engage across differences in light of the gospel promises. This course is an invitation, during these unique times, to radically recenter on Jesus, as the Presidential Election approaches. Sign up on the clipboard this Sunday.

Women's Ministry For more Women's Event info go to: bit.ly/crosssoundwomen
BIBLE STUDY is studying "God of Covenant: Genesis 12-50" by Jen Wilkin.

- Monday Evening 6:30 - 8:30 - Soup and Salad Dinner provided
- Wednesday Morning 9:30 - 11:30 - Breakfast Potluck
- Nov 15 7pm: Women's Game Night at the home of Nancy Lim. Bring a snack!
- Dec 7: Women's Advent Brunch at Island School from 10-noon. Save the Date!

Oct 27: PBJ Parade to benefit Helpline House Now collecting donations of peanut butter and jelly, with a special need for jelly. This is an annual tradition that is much appreciated by Helpline House; let's try to give them a mountain of PBJ! Donations can be dropped off at the church office or here on Sundays. Then we'd love you to join us after church on Oct 27 as we walk (or drive) to deliver it.

Nov 2: Ensenada Annual "Fun" Fundraiser Auction Dinner: Sign Up Now!

Get your paddles ready - the annual auction is back - and you are invited! This event raises funds for the Ensenada Homebuilding trip. It's a lot of FUN, includes live and silent auction items, trivia, and dessert dash. Mexican-themed meal is provided (and it's gonna be delicious). Interested in volunteering? email dede.knapp@hotmail.com



Nov 6: Suquamish Kitchen Come join the fun as we cook and serve a meal to folks from North Kitsap and Bainbridge Island. There are plenty of things to do that require only a willing spirit! Cook, prep, serve, wash dishes, clean up - all clearly defined jobs, so you know what you're getting into! Sign up: crosssound.org/events

Nov 16: FIRST AID ARTS Annual Benefit Dinner! Join us at 415 Westlake in Seattle to support CSC's partner ministry, bringing "beautiful healing" to survivors of trauma locally and in 70+ countries. We will enjoy Syrian cuisine, live music by Steve Hall, and celebrate 15 years together! Tickets/Info: www.firstaidarts.org

Small Groups are places where meaningful relationships are developed, forming networks that provide support, inspiration, encouragement and accountability. A place to be prayed for and pray for others. Find a group: info@crosssound.org

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.