

Our music is about the realization everyone gets at some point in their lives that the world is broken, and we don't know how to fix it, and the longing we all have for it to be set right — and the ways we fumble when we're trying to work out where to put that longing.

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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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Gathering

CALL TO WORSHIP - Isaiah 49:8-9,13

Thus says the LORD: "In a time of favor I have answered you; in a day of salvation I have helped you; I will keep you and give you as a covenant to the people, to establish the land, to apportion the desolate heritages, saying to the prisoners, 'Come out,' to those who are in darkness, 'Appear.' They shall feed along the ways; on all bare heights shall be their pasture;

Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth; break forth, O mountains, into singing! For the LORD has comforted his people and will have compassion on his afflicted.

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.

God, we confess that often we have failed to be an obedient church: we have not done your will; we have turned from your grace; we have rejected your love; we have not loved our neighbors; we have not answered the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Renewing

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

- Romans 8:31-35, 37-39, NRSV

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. Your Labor Is Not In Vain — Wendell Kimbrough/Paul Zach/Isaac Wardell Your labor is not in vain though the ground underneath you is cursed and stained Your planting and reaping are never the same But your labor is not in vain.

Your labor is not unknown though the rocks they cry out and the sea it may groan. The place of your toil may not seem like a home but your labor is not unknown.

For I am with you, I am with you. I am with you, I am with you For I have called you, called you by name, Your labor is not in vain.

The vineyards you plant will bear fruit the fields will sing out and rejoice with the truth, for all that is old will at last be made new: the vineyards you plant will bear fruit. (refrain)

The houses you labored to build will finally with laughter and joy be filled. The serpent that hurts and destroys shall be killed and all that is broken be healed. (refrain)

My Hope Is Built — Norton Hall Band

My hope is built on nothing less, Than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' name

On Christ the solid rock I stand, All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace In every high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil

His oath His coven-ant and His blood, Support me in the whelming flood When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay

When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh, may I then in Him be found Dressed in His righteousness alone, Fault-less to stand be-fore the throne

I Cry Out

I cry out, for Your hand of mercy to heal me. I am weak, and I need your love to free me. Oh Lord, my rock. My strength in weakness. Come rescue me, Oh Lord.

You are my hope and Your promise never fails — me. And my desire is to follow you fore — ver. For you are good, for you are good For you are good to me.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING Please stand and introduce yourself to one another.

QUOTES:

"After each failure, ask forgiveness, pick yourself up, and try again. Very often what God first helps us towards is not virtue itself but just this power of always trying again. For however important chastity (or courage, or truthfulness, or any other virtue) may be, this process trains us in habits of the soul which are more important still. It cures our illusions about ourselves and teaches us to depend on God. We learn, on the one hand, that we cannot trust ourselves even in our best moments, and, on the other, that we need not despair even in the worst, for our failures are forgiven. — C.S. Lewis, Mere Christianity

'The Christian life, from one angle, is the long journey of letting our natural assumption about who God is, over many decades, fall away, being slowly replaced with God's own insistence on who he is... The fall in Genesis 3 not only sent us into condemnation and exile. The fall also entrenched in our minds dark thoughts of God, thoughts that are only dug out over multiple exposures to the gospel over many years. Perhaps Satan's greatest victory in your life today is not the sin in which you regularly indulge but the dark thoughts of God's heart that cause you to go there in the first place and keep you cool toward him in the wake of it.' — Dane Ortlund, Gentle and Lowly

With the exception of the nursery, all students begin in the worship service. Upon dismissal students gather in room 231 for large group, then on to individual classes: Nursery Rm 234, PreK-2nd Rm 232, 3rd-6th Rm 231

MESSAGE SERIES: GENESIS

Text: Genesis 3:15-24 Title: Promises and Consequences Speaker: Dave Sellers

To the woman he said, "I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children. Your desire shall be contrary to your husband, but he shall rule over you." And to Adam he said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, 'You shall not eat of it,' cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life; thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return."	I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."
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The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. ²¹ And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

Then the LORD God said, "Behold, the man has become like one of us in knowing good and evil. Now, lest he reach out his hand and take also of the tree of life and eat, and live forever—" ²³ therefore the LORD God sent him out from the garden of Eden to work the ground from which he was taken. ²⁴ He drove out the man, and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim and a flaming sword that turned every way to guard the way to the tree of life.

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

This is the epitome of divine grace: a meal in the presence of God.' —Tim Chester

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 9811

I urge you, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God this is your spiritual worship. — Romans 12:1

Holy, Holy, Holy — Reginald Heber, John B. Dykes Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Which wert, and art, and evermore shall be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see, Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee, Perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

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

How Marvelous, How Wonderful — Charles H. Gabriel

I stand amazed in the presence Of Jesus, the Nazarene And wonder how He could love me A sinner condemned unclean

How marvelous, how wonderful And my song shall ever be How marvelous, how wonderful Is my Savior's love for me

For me it was in the garden He prayed not My will, but Thine He had no tears for His own griefs But shed drops of blood for mine

He took my sins and my sorrows He made them His very own He bore the burden to Calvary And suffered and died alone

When with the ransomed in glory His face I at last shall see 'Twill be my joy through the ages To sing of His love for me

BENEDICTION — Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. 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

Oct 21: Women's Hike Hike the Falls View Canyon on Sturday, October 21 in Quilcene and enjoy lunch afterwards.

Oct 27: Ice Cream Sundae and Trivia Fundraiser Join us Friday for ice cream, trivia, and fun as Ben, Adelae, and Eli raise money for their short-term mission trip to Cuba. These young missionaries have to raise \$4,500.00 for this trip! Follow this QR code to sign up for a spot! >>

Oct 28: Small Group Collaborative Training Small Group leaders, and those interested in learning more about leadership, are invited to a gathering on Saturday morning, Oct 28 from 9-11am at the Church Office. We'll focus on the vision for Small Groups, what's going well and what's challenging, and pray together for hte Holy Spirit's leading. *RSVP to dave@crosssound.org*

Oct 29: 5th-12th Corn Maze Fun Join us as we head to the Carpinito Brothers' corn maze and pumpkin patch. At the maze, 5-6th students will be in groups with an adult, 7-8th & H.S. students will be allowed to go in groups of 3+ while in the maze or visiting the pumpkin patch.

Oct 29: After-Church Lunch - Mark your calendars! Our Hospitality Team is coordinating a Chili & Cornbread lunch... stay after service and connect! (Please sign up on the clipboard if you're able to help bring food and/or set-up)

Nov 5: CS Kids, It's Peanut Butter Jelly Time! We will be collecting peanut butter and jelly/jam for the next couple of weeks, and caravaning our donations over to Helpine House right after church on Sunday, 11/5 - Join us! Donations can be brought Sunday mornings, or left in the marked bin table outside the church office.

Dec 9: Women's Advent Brunch - Save the Date for Saturday, Dec 9 at Island School. *Questions?* Email Ashley@CrossSound.org or visit <u>bit.ly/crosssoundwomen</u>

Women's Bible Study is studying "God of Creation: Genesis 1-11" by Jen Wilkin.

- Monday Evening 6:30 8:30 Soup and Salad Dinner provided
- Wednesday Morning 9:30 11:30 Breakfast Potluck & Childcare Provided

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!

Men's Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) Thursdays 6:30-8pm at the Church Office Go to: <u>bit.ly/joinBSF</u> or follow QR Code to sign up. Questions? Contact Teague Parker at <u>newpark@centurytel.net</u>

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:		
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.