

God's grace has a drenching about it. A wildness about it.

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

Gathering

CALL TO WORSHIP - Psalm 100

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness;
come before him with joyful songs.
Know that the Lord is God.
It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.
Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and praise his name.
For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;
his faithfulness continues through all generations.

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,

At many times, and in many ways this week:

We have failed to reflect you.

We have failed to follow you.

And we have failed to rejoice in you.

We bring you this confession freely,

Knowing that you offer your grace to us fully,

Because Jesus bore our every sin upon the cross.

Continue to work on our fickle hearts, and cause us to increasingly love and walk with Jesus we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE — Psalm 32:1&5

Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord."

And you forgave the guilt of my sin.

In Jesus Christ we are Loved, and we are Forgiven.
Rejoice! **Amen.**

SPECIAL SCRIPTURE READING — Matthew 21:7-11

The disciples brought the donkey... for Jesus to sit on. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted,

"Hosanna to the Son of David!"

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

"Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?" The crowds answered, "This is Jesus."

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

(Chorus) 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

(Bridge) 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

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 the name of the Lord Blessed be Your name Blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be Your glorious name

Bridge

CROSS SOUND KIDS — PALM PROCESSIONAL

Hallelujah To the Lord Be Ever Thankful

I Need You — Jars Of Clay

Strangely out of place,

There is a light filling this room where none would follow before I can't deny it burns me up inside, I fan the flames to melt away my pride, Do I want shelter from the rain, Or the rain to wash me away?

I need You, You're all I'm living for

I might sound like a fool, But I think that I felt You moving closer to me Face to the ground to hide the fatal cut, I fight the weight, I feel You lift me up You are the shelter from the rain, And the rain to wash me away

I need You, I need You, I need You, I need You, You're all I'm living for (repeat)

Face to the ground to hide the fatal cut, I fight the weight, I feel You lift me up I can't deny it burns me up inside, I fan the flames to melt away my pride, Only have a second to spare, All the time in the world to know You're there You are the shelter from the rain, And the rain to wash me away

I need You, You're all I'm living for (repeat)

Hosanna (Praise is Rising)

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You, We turn to You Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You, We long for You 'Cause when we see You, We find strength to face the day And in Your presence, All our fears are washed away, washed away.

Hosanna! Hosanna! You are the God who saves us, Worthy of all our praises Hosanna! Hosanna Come have Your way among us. We welcome You here Lord Jesus

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You, We turn to You In Your kingdom broken lives are made new, You make all things new 'Cause when we see You, We find strength to face the day And in Your presence, All our fears are washed away, washed away.

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

QUOTES:

"The love for equals is a human thing. The love for the less fortunate is a beautiful thing. The love for the more fortunate is a rare thing. And then there is the love for the enemy – love for the one who does not love you but mocks, threatens, and inflicts pain. This is God's love. It conquers the world." — Frederick Buechner

"We must ponder and be consumed with the thought of his sacrificial love, mercy, and grace. May we never think that pondering the Almighty's love is only for beginners. No one ever moves past the need to learn and then relearn this over and over again and to let it be the one defining truth of all of life." — Elyse Fitzpatrick

NOTES:

MESSAGE

Text: Luke 19:28-40 Title: The King Unveiled! Speaker: Dave O'Connell

After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹ As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, ³⁰ "Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' say, 'The Lord needs it "

- ³² Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴ They replied, "The Lord needs it."
- 35 They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. 36 As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road.
- ³⁷When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen:

38 "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"

- ³⁹ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!"
- $^{\mbox{\tiny 40}}$ "I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out."

OUTLINE

- I A HUMBI E KING
- II. A WORTHY KING
- III. A LOVING KING

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



Keep company with God and learn a life of love.

Observe how Christ loved us. His love was not cautious but extravagant.

He didn't love in order to get something from us but to give everything of himself to us. Love like that.

- Ephesians 5:1-2 (The Message)

Lord of Lords — Hillsong United
Beholding Your beauty is all that I long for
To worship You, Jesus, is my sole desire
For this very heart You have shaped for Your pleasure
Purposed to lift Your Name higher

Here in surrender, in pure adoration I enter Your courts with an offering of praise I am Your servant, come to bring You glory As is fit for the work of Your hands

Now unto the Lamb Who sits on the throne, Be glory and honor and praise All of creation resounds with the song, Worship and praise Him, the Lord of lords

Spirit now living and dwelling within me Keep my eyes fixed ever on Jesus' face Let not the things of this world ever sway me I'll run 'til I finish the race

Now unto the Lamb Who sits on the throne, Be glory and honor and praise All of eternity echoes the song, Worship and praise Him, the Lord of lords

Holy Lord, You are holy, Jesus Christ is the Lord (repeat)

Now unto the Lamb Who sits on the throne, Be glory and honor and praise Call all the sinners to join in the song, Worship and praise Him, the Lord of lords 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

This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

-1 John 4:9-10

At this table we come face to face; with the God of all mercy, love, and grace. We eat and we drink to remember the One, Who died in our place, salvation won. His body and blood were given for you, This meal his great gift to fill and renew. Now celebrate Him and know that this taste, Is sure sign and seal of his glorious embrace.

—The Communion Table

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

Shout To The Lord — Darlene Zschech

My Jesus my Savior, Lord there is none like You All of my days, I want to praise, The wonders of Your mighty love My comfort my shelter, Tower of refuge and strength Let every breath all that I am, Never cease to worship You

Shout to the Lord all the earth let us sing, Power and majesty praise to the King Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of Your Name. I sing for joy at the work of Your hands, Forever I'll love You forever I'll stand Nothing compares to the promise I have in You

My Jesus my Savior, Lord there is none like You All of my days, I want to praise, The wonders of Your mighty love My comfort my shelter, Tower of refuge and strength Let every breath all that I am, Never cease to worship You

Chorus (repeat)

BENEDICTION

May the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Be upon you, both now And forevermore.

Amen.

Announcements

Community Service opportunities Contact Leigh Ann Grady at communityservice@crosssound.org if you're interested in volunteering for...

 APRIL 16: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for baking treats, writing thank you notes and making gift bags for Helpline House Volunteer Appreciation Week (April 21-25)

April 19: Egg Dash 2025 - Candy and Volunteers Needed! We're excited to put on this beloved community event again this year in partnership with New Life Church. We need a lot of help to make this happen so please join us! We still need a lot of candy to stuff our 5,000 eggs! (No nuts please.) You can drop it off at church on Sundays or the church office. And we'll need a lot of volunteers - Click here for info >> and sign up: bit.ly/bieggdash2025



Holy Week with Cross Sound Church at the BI High School Theater - Join us!

- Good Friday, April 18 at 7pm
- Easter Sunday, April 20 at 10am
- Easter All-Church Luncheon directly following service on April 20. We are providing the main course, but could use your help with side dishes and desserts. If you are able to contribute, please contact info@crosssound.org

April 30: Suquamish Soup Kitchen 2:30-7:30pm 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, schmooz, wash dishes, clean up - all clearly defined jobs, so you know what you're getting into! Sign up on line: crosssound.org/events

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 <u>bit.ly/CSCMensRetreat2025</u>

May 23-26: Cross Sound Family Camp We're headed to Young Life Camp at Washington Family Ranch in Oregon. What a time to grow closer to each other and closer to God. May 23-26. Join us! For info email: Brooke.wellman@yahoo.com

Ongoing Missions and Activites at Cross Sound So many ways to connect!

Contemplative Yoga Evening Youth Group Men's Bible Study + Bible Study Fellowship Monthly Men's Breakfast Men's Hangouts

Roundtable Discussions School of Discipleship Search + Rescue Mission • Kenya Small Group

Suquamich Kitchen Women's Bible Study International Ministry:

- Ensenada
- Cuba
- Mexico City

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: |
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| Regular attendee () | | Mailing list () |
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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.