

So many points of pain in our world. During Sunday worship, I'm reminded that our gatherings are not to be a distraction from the trouble, but a time to heighten our awareness of God's presence, and to receive nourishment for the journey.

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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 — Portions of Psalm 33

Sing joyfully to the Lord, you righteous; it is fitting for the upright to praise him. Sing to him a new song; play skillfully, and shout for joy. For the word of the Lord is right and true; he is faithful in all he does. In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name. May your unfailing love be with us, Lord, even as we put our hope in you.

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, forgive and renew us, we pray. We should trust you and follow you, But we go our own way. We should rejoice in you, and delight ourselves in you, But we neglect and forget you. We should live lives of great generosity, grace, and love, But too often, we are self-absorbed. Forgive us again, dear Father, in the glorious grace of Jesus. And in that same grace, make us more and more like Him. We ask these things in His wonderful name, Amen.

Renewing

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE — Isaiah 1:18

Come now, let us settle the matter," says the Lord. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool." **Amen**

Celebrate! Because of Jesus Christ, and in Jesus Christ, you are Loved, and you are Forgiven!

King of Glory — David Gate

Your face outshines the brightest sun Jesus You're glorious, You are so glorious With eyes that blaze like burning fire Jesus You're glorious, You are so glorious

King of glory, have Your glory King of glory, have Your glory

Your voice like rushing waters sounds Jesus You're powerful, You are so powerful And in Your hands You hold the stars Jesus You're powerful, You are so powerful

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. **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

It Is Well With My Soul — Horatio G. Spafford / Philip P. Bliss, When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll; Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."

It is well (It is well), With my soul (With my soul), It is well, it is well with my soul.

My sin – oh the bliss of this glorious thought! My sin, not in part, but the whole Was nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more, Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

Chorus

And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll; The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend, Even so, it is well with my soul.

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

"Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you." — Romans 15:17

> "Be devoted to one another in love." — Romans 12:10

QUOTES:

"They did not just opt for independence; they opted for God's position. In one tragic moment, Adam and Eve migrated to the center of their world, the one place where human beings were never meant to live." — Paul David Trip

"Here is a man, created to have the boundaries of his life reach to the furthest boundaries of the glory of God. Here is one who was created to get his identity, meaning, and purpose from an intimate relationship with God. Here is a person whose every word, thought, desire, and deed was meant to be shaped by a heartfelt submission to and worship of his Creator. What do we find him doing? He hides in fear when the One who is meant to be his life comes near!" — Paul David Trip

"When God shows up, our attempts at self-covering and self-righteousness, and our pathetic half-measures and fig leaves, are all shown to be what they really are: completely inadequate. When God shows up, we finally begin to see things as they are, and not as we imagine them to be." — Scott Lindsay

"There is no sin too great for God's grace. There is no habit too big for his healing. There is no label too strong for his love." — Craig Groeschel

NOTES:

MESSAGE SERIES: GENESIS

Text: Genesis 3:8-15 Title: Hide & Seek Speaker: Dave O'Connell

⁸ Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden. ⁹ But the Lord God called to the man, "Where are you?"

¹⁰ He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so, I hid."

¹¹ And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?"

¹² The man said, "The woman you put here with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it."

¹³ Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

¹⁴ So the Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this,

> "Cursed are you above all livestock and all wild animals! You will crawl on your belly and you will eat dust all the days of your life. ¹⁵ And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."

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

The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. — Mark 10:35

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

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
- Mail: Cross Sound Church PO Box 11748 or 600 Ericksen Ave NE #210, Bainbridge Is., WA 98110

Then the people rejoiced because they had offered so willingly, for they made their offering to the Lord with a whole heart. — 1Chronicles 29:9

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

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.

WELCOME BACK — Katie Schei

Sending

Everlasting God

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord

Our God, You reign forever Our hope, our strong deliverer

You are the Everlasting God, the Everlasting God You do not faint, you won't grow weary You're the defender of the weak You comfort those in need You lift us up on wings like eagles

BENEDICTION — Numbers 6:24-26

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 his countenance upon you and give you peace. 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

Part-time Position Available: Children's Ministry If you love God, love children and would like to be part of a team providing oversight and leadership for kids from nursery-6th grade, please email daveoc@crosssound.org for details/description.

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

Oct 28: Small Group Collaborative Training Small Group leaders, and those interested in learning more about leadership, are invited to a gathering on Saturdy 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: 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! Yep, it's that time of year again. 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. Donations can be brought Sunday mornings, or left on the table right outside the church office. If you've never seen Helpline House up close, this is a wonderful opportunity to see firsthand the amazing work they do in our community - join us! *One note: while they can always use peanut butter, they especially need jelly/jam this year.*

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

Cuba Missions: Shoe collection The Cuba Missions team is collecting new youth and children--sized shoes/sneakers (no sandals, slides or crocks, please) for their upcoming trip. If you are able to contribute, please drop-off at the church office!

Men's Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) Thursdays 6:30-8pm at the Church Office

BSF is a weekly, in-person, in-depth, interdenominational study. In a world that declares "find your own truth" - Jesus stands alone. He boldly proclaims Himself as the only source of freedom, peace, truth, security, and everlasting life with God. Go to: <u>bit.ly/joinBSF</u> or follow QR Code to sign up. Questions? Contact Teague Parker at newpark@centur



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.