

Grace is a gift only the nonreligious can accept. They're the only ones who can understand it, and put it to use. 'Religious' people see grace as soft and weak, so they keep trying to manage their life with willpower and tenacity. Nothing defines religion quite as well as attempting impossible tasks with limited power, all while pretending that it's working.

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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

Please join in song when ready

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee — *Henry Van Dyke, Music: Hymn To Joy* Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, Op'ning to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive the dark of doubt away; Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day!

All Your works with joy surround Thee, Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays, Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise; Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea, Chanting bird and flowing fountain, Call us to rejoice in Thee!

Joyful music leads us sunward, In the triumph song Joyful music leads us sunward, In the triumph song of life.

CALL TO WORSHIP — Psalm 86:9-12

My lips will pour forth praise,

for you teach me your statutes.

My tongue will sing of your word,

for all your commandments are right.

Let your hand be ready to help me,

for I have chosen your precepts.

I long for your salvation, O LORD, and your law is my delight.

CONFESSION OF SIN — based on Psalm 51:10-11

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.

Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be your people. You have called us to be the church, to continue the mission of Jesus to our lonely and confused world. Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active, isolated than involved, callous than compassionate, obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving. Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins. Remove the obstacles preventing us from being your representatives to the world. Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of your Holy Spirit. This we pray in Jesus' powerful name. Amen.

Renewing

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

Come now, let us argue it out, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

House of The Lord — *Phil Wickham and Jonathan* 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 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

Chorus

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

Chorus

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.

Reckless Love — Cory Asbury

Before I spoke a word, You were singing over me You have been so, so good to me Before I took a breath, You breathed Your life in me You have been so, so kind to me

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the ninety-nine I couldn't earn it, I don't deserve it, still You give Yourself away Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God

When I was Your foe, still Your love fought for me You have been so, so good to me When I felt no worth, You paid it all for me You have been so, so kind to me

Chorus

There's no shadow You won't light up, Mountain You won't climb up, coming after me There's no wall You won't kick down, Lie You won't tear down, coming after me

Chorus

BAPTISM — Marianne McCrary

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

SONG OF PREPARATION

Speak, O Lord — Getty/Townend

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You To receive the food of Your holy word Take Your Truth, plant it deep in us Shape and fashion us in Your likeness That the light of Christ might be seen today In our acts of love and our deeds of faith Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us All Your purposes for Your glory

QUOTES:

..like all answers to do with Revelation, it remains partial and puzzling: this is a book designed to go on making you ponder and pray, not one designed to answer everything to your satisfaction" — Tom Wright

The Holy Spirit, therefore, has generously and advantageously planned Holy Scripture in such a way that in the easier passages He relieves our hunger; in the more obscure He drives away our pride. Practically nothing is dug out from those obscure texts which is not discovered to be said very plainly in another place.' — Augustine of Hippo

"But sooner or later we find that not everything is to our liking in this book (the Bible). It starts out sweet to our taste; and then we find it doesn't sit well with us at all, it becomes bitter in our stomachs. Finding ourselves in this book is most pleasant, flattering even, and then we find that the book is not written to flatter us, but to involve us in a reality, God's reality, that doesn't cater to our fantasies of ourselves." — Eugene H. Peterson

MESSAGE SERIES: REVELATION

Text: Revelation 10:1-11 Title: Eat This Book Speaker: Dave Sellers

Then I saw another mighty angel coming down from heaven, wrapped in a cloud, with a rainbow over his head, and his face was like the sun, and his legs like pillars of fire. ² He had a little scroll open in his hand. And he set his right foot on the sea, and his left foot on the land, ³ and called out with a loud voice, like a lion roaring. When he called out, the seven thunders sounded. ⁴ And when the seven thunders had sounded, I was about to write, but I heard a voice from heaven saying, "Seal up what the seven thunders have said, and do not write it down." ⁵ And the angel whom I saw standing on the sea and on the land raised his right hand to heaven ⁶ and swore by him who lives forever and ever, who created heaven and what is in it, the earth and what is in it, and the sea and what is in it, that there would be no more delay, ⁷ but that in the days of the trumpet call to be sounded by the seventh angel, the mystery of God would be fulfilled, just as he announced to his servants the prophets.

Then the voice that I had heard from heaven spoke to me again, saying, "Go, take the scroll that is open in the hand of the angel who is standing on the sea and on the land." ⁹ So I went to the angel and told him to give me the little scroll. And he said to me, "Take and eat it; it will make your stomach bitter, but in your mouth it will be sweet as honey." ¹⁰ And I took the little scroll from the hand of the angel and ate it. It was sweet as honey in my mouth, but when I had eaten it my stomach was made bitter. ¹¹ And I was told, "You must again prophesy about many peoples and nations and languages and kings."

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

How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses to help? Dear children, let us love, not in word or speech, but also in truth and action. — from 1 John 3:17-18

How Great Thou Art — Stuart K. Hine

Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder Thy power throughout the universe displayed

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee How great Thou art, how great Thou art. Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

And when I think, that God, His son not sparing Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in; That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation, And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart. Then I shall bow, in humble adoration And then proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!"

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, which 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 outr 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.

My Hope Is Built/The Solid Rock — 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

Chorus

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

Chorus

When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found Dressed in His righteousness alone, Faultless we stand before His throne

Chorus X2

Sending

Honey In The Rock — Brandon Lake, Brooke Ligertwood, and Mitch Wong 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

Chorus

BENEDICTION — Revelation 7:12

Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.

Announcements

Don Bonker Memorial Service: Friday June 23 at 2pm Please join the Bonker family at Rolling Bay Presbyterian Church to celebrate the life of Don Bonker.

Annual Congregation Meeting: June 25 Please join us June 25th right after the worship service in the BHS theater. We will be presenting and taking a vote on this year's church budget (which will begin July 1st). If you have any questions, feel free to email Dave O'Connell at <u>daveoc@crosssound.org</u>.

CS Kids Ministry NEEDS YOU! We would love to have you join us upstairs (and outdoors) as we dive into God's word with our children! We're seeking 27 volunteers (each person would only need to help 3 times during the entire Summer). Choose which weeks work for you!

CS Kids Camp: July 10-14 An unforgettable experience for kids ages Pre-K through 5th grade! We will play games, engage in worship, make new friends - all while learning about Jesus! Sign up today! <u>bit.ly/CSkidscamp2023</u> or follow this QR Code >>>

CS Youth Events *visit www.crosssound.org/youth-ministry for details* SIGN UPS ARE LIVE! follow this QR Code >>>

- 5TH-8TH MIRACLE RANCH SUMMER CAMP: JUNE 23-25
- HS SUMMER IMMERSION SERVANT LEADERSHIP: JULY 15-22

Annual Ensenada Homebuilding Trip 2023 Every year Cross Sound Church sends a team of people to Ensenada, Mexico to build houses for families who are living in very poor housing conditions. Over the past 20 years, we've had the opportunity to build over 40 homes. Interested? Sign up here! <u>bit.ly/ensenada2023</u> or QR code>> Questions? please contact Stu Childers at <u>stuart@seattlepump.com</u>.

Women's Ministry Questions? email Ashley Devynyns at ashley@crosssound.org

- "IF" Saturdays will begin again this Fall
- SUMMER BIBLE STUDY: 1 TIMOTHY Wednesdays at 10 at Eagledale Park starting July 12th. Childcare will be provided.

Men's Ministry email Dave Sellers at <u>dave@crosssound.org</u> with questions

- MEN'S RETREAT SEPTEMBER 15 17, 2023: SAVE THE DATE! Men are invited to Fort Worden in Port Townsend for a weekend of fellowship, worship, studying scripture and even a little recreation. More details to follow!
- BREAKFAST Second Saturday's of the month at 8am at the Church Office
- BIBLE STUDY Fridays at 6:30am at the Church Office









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:		
Phone Number(s):		
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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.