

We should be astonished at the goodness of God, stunned that He should bother to call us by name, our mouths wide open at His love, bewildered that at this very moment we are standing on holy ground.

Brennan Manning

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 - 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.

Holy God,

You know us better than we know ourselves, and you see us more clearly. How impossible it seems that we could ever hide anything from you, or even try to hide something; but we do. Sometimes we pretend to be better than we are. We do things we know will hurt others and act as though we are blameless. But we aren't. We are complicit, and we are guilty, and we are broken. So, we ask for your forgiveness, because you love us more than we can imagine, and you can make us whole beyond our wildest dreams. We ask in the name of Jesus, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

— 1 John 1:9

Therefore, there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus... nothing can ever separate us from God's love. — Romans 8:1 & 38

Battle Belongs — Phil Wickham

When all I see is the battle, You see my victory When all I see is the mountain, You see a mountain moved And as I walk through the shadow ,Your love surrounds me There's nothing to fear now. For I am safe with You

So when I fight I'll fight on my knees, With my hands lifted high Oh God the battle belongs to You. And every fear I lay at Your feet I'll sing through the night. Oh God the battle belongs to You

And if You are for me, Who can be against me For Jesus there's nothing. Impossible for You When all I see are the ashes. You see the beauty When all I see is a cross, God You see the empty tomb

So when I fight I'll fight on my knees, With my hands lifted high Oh God the battle belongs to You. And every fear I lay at Your feet I'll sing through the night. Oh God the battle belongs to You

Almighty Fortress You go before us. Nothing can stand against The power of our God You shine in the shadow. You win every battle Nothing can stand against, The power of our God Almighty Fortress You go before us. Nothing can stand against The power of our God You shine in the shadow. You win every battle Nothing can stand against, The power of our God

So when I fight I'll fight on my knees, With my hands lifted high Oh God the battle belongs to You. And every fear I lay at Your feet I'll sing through the night. Oh God the battle belongs to You

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.

So Will I—Hillsong United

God of creation, There at the start, before the beginning of time With no point of reference, You spoke to the dark and fleshed out the wonder of light

And as You speak, A hundred billion galaxies are born, In the vapour of Your breath the planets form, If the stars were made to worship, So will I. I can see Your heart in everything You've made, Every burning star, a signal fire of grace, If creation sings Your praises, So will I.

God of Your promise, You don't speak in vain, no syllable empty or void For once You have spoken, All nature and science, follow the sound of Your voice

And as You speak, A hundred billion creatures catch Your breath, Evolving in pursuit of what You said, If it all reveals Your nature, So will I I can see Your heart in everything You say, Every painted sky, a canvas of Your grace, If creation still obeys You, So will I

If the stars were made to worship, So will I, If the mountains bow in reverence, So will I If the oceans roar Your greatness, So will I, For if everything exists to lift You high, So will I And if the wind goes where You send it, So will I, If the rocks cry out in silence, So will I If the sum of all our praises still falls shy, Then we'll sing again a hundred billion times

God of salvation, You chased down my heart through all of my failure and pride On a hill You created, The light of the world abandoned in darkness to die

And as You speak, A hundred billion failures disappear, Where You lost Your life so I could find it here, If You left the grave behind You, So will I, I can see Your heart in everything You've done Every part designed in a work of art called Love, If You gladly chose surrender, So will I

I can see in Your heart, eight billion different ways, Every precious one, a child You died to save If You gave Your life to love them, So will I, Like You would again a hundred billion times But what measure could amount to Your desire, You're the One who never leaves the one behind

Holy, Holy, Holy

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, 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!

TUESDAY STORY

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

Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you. - Romans 15:7

Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart— 1Peter 1:22

Title: Running for the Prize Text: 1 Corinthians 9:24-27 Guest Preacher: Josh Crandall

Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. ²⁵ Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last, but we do it to get a crown that will last forever. ²⁶ Therefore I do not run like someone running aimlessly; I do not fight like a boxer beating the air. ²⁷ No, I strike a blow to my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize.

NOTES:

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

- 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 981

But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand." — 1 Chronicles 29:14

It Is Well — Horatio Gates Spafford, Kristene DiMarco, Philip Paul Bliss Grander earth has quaked before Moved by the sound of His voice Seas that are shaken and stirred Can be calmed and broken for my regard

Through it all through it all, My eyes are on You Through it all through it all, It is well Through it all through it all, My eyes are on You And it is well with me

Far be it from me to not believe Even when my eyes can't see And this mountain that's in front of me Will be thrown into the midst of the sea

So let go my soul and trust in Him The waves and wind still know His name

It is well with my soul It is well with my soul It is well with my soul It is well it is well with my soul



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.

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!

Sending

Pass The Promise

I will pray rejoicing from my heart (Pray rejoicing from my heart) For in Him my victory's lifted high (His salvation is my cry) He has overcome my enemies (Our praises scorn the enemy) I delight in His deliverance (The Lord is our deliverance)

Pass the promise, To our sons and daughters, God most high, God our Father, We bear witness

There is no one holy like the Lord (Holy, holy is the Lord) Our rock and refuge is our God (All the earth belongs to God) Do not speak with pride of noble deeds (For the Lord will weigh our every deed) See the strong have lost, the weak have gained (From the dust my life He raised)

Pass the promise, To our sons and daughters, God most high, God our Father, We bear witness

He will guard the feet of faithful ones (He will hold His faithful ones) But the wicked they will not prevail (Not by might will man prevail) He is coming soon to judge the earth (He is coming soon to judge the earth) For the Lord gives power to His King (All Strength to His Anointed King)

Pass the promise, To our sons and daughters, God most high, God our Father, We bear witness (repeat)

BENEDICTION — 2 Corinthians 13:14

May the love of the Father, the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. Amen.

Announcements

TODAY! All-Comers Inner Tubing Party at 1pm at the Wellman's. All are welcome: your neighbors, your friends, your grandkids... We'll have inner tubes, kayaks, paddle boards, lawn games and drinks for all. But please BYO picnic lunch. 8527 Hansen Rd NE, Bainbridge. Brooke's # is (425)647-8542

NEXT WEEKEND July 19-21 All-Church Camping at Crescent Beach! Crescent

Beach is a beautiful private beach with tent sites just steps from the water! Tent sites

costs \$35 per night (two tents allowed per site, doubling our capacity for guests). Please specify 1 or 2 nights. If you need financial aid, or require an RV or Trailer spot, email <u>kristin@crosssound.org</u>. Sign up! It's gonna be fun!! <u>bit.ly/CrescentBeach2024</u> or follow the QR code >



Women's Bibe Summer Study Has Begun! Please join the Women of Cross Sound for Summer Bible Study as we study 2 Timothy. Monday Evenings @ 7 at Ashley's Home & Wednesday Morning @10 at Battle Point Park. Childcare is provided Wednesday mornings. If interested, email ashley@crosssound.org or visit: <u>http://bit.ly/crosssoundwomen</u> or sign up on the clipboard!

Home Stay Request: August 3-7 the Schuler's have five more students to house two couples and a single- they are needing a commitment of a bed at night and breakfast each day. The activities during the day are covered. Interested? Please email info@crosssound.org. Thank you!

August 4: Confirmation We will be introducing the 5-8th grade students who chose to confirm their faith during Service on 8/4. This will be a time of celebration as a whole congregation, and we look forward to welcoming them into the CSC family!

School of Discipleship Our highest calling as disciples is to become love, which requires bringing the desires of our soul before Jesus and spending time with him. If you are hungry for more depth, discernment, wisdom and joy in your "with-God life", join our summer book study, Sundays at 8:45 am in the library. Our selection is Sacred Rhythms, Arranging our Lives for Spiritual Transformation, by Ruth Haley Barton. Contact Katie for details: <u>katiepearson@crosssound.org</u>

Annual Ensenada Homebuilding Trip (Nov 23-29) Sign up! For 25 years Cross Sound has sent a team to Ensenada, Mexico through YWAM's (Youth with a Mission) Homes of Hope organization, to build 16'x20' houses for families that live in very poor housing conditions. To date, we've had the opportunity to build over 45 homes. This year, we've reserved room for 75 people to build 4 houses. The cost is approx \$1,100/person (includes airfare, room and board, and transport from San Diego to Ensenada. Interested in going? Sign up <u>bit.ly/CSCEnsenada2024</u> or follow the QR code > Questions? Contact Stu: <u>stuart@seattlepump.com</u>

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.