



The life of grace is not an effort on our part to achieve a goal we set ourselves. It is a continually renewed attempt simply to believe that someone else has done all the achieving that is needed, and to live in relationship with that person... For us it is simply Jesus, Jesus, Jesus.



Robert Farrar Capon

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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As we gather to worship, please silence all mobile phones and devices for the duration of the service.

Renewing

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

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

— 1 John 1:8-9 (NIV)

He is so rich in kindness and grace that he purchased our freedom with the blood of his Son and forgave our sins.

— Ephesians 1:7 (NLT) — Isaiah 1:18

Trinity Song — *Sandra McCracken*

Holy Father, Son and Spirit

Holy Communion, Three in One

Come with your peace, with your invitation

Bind us together in Holy Love

You Said — *Reuben Morgan*

You said, “Ask and you will receive,

Whatever you need.”

You said, “Pray and I’ll hear from heaven,

And I’ll heal your land.”

You said Your glory will fill the earth,

Like water in the sea.

You said, “Lift up your eyes,

The harvest is here, your kingdom is near.”

You said, “Ask and I’ll give the nations to you.”

Oh Lord, that’s the cry of my heart!

Distant shores and the islands will see Your light

As it rises on us.

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.

Desert Song — *Hillsong*

This is my prayer in the desert,
when all that's within me feels dry
This is my prayer in my hunger and need,
my God is the God who provides

This is my prayer in the fire,
in weakness or trial or pain
There is a faith proved of more worth than gold,
so refine me Lord through the flame

I will bring praise, I will bring praise,
No weapon formed against me shall remain
I will rejoice, I will declare,
God is my victory and He is here

This is my prayer in the battle,
when triumph is still on its way
I am a conqueror and co-heir with Christ,
so firm on His promise I'll stand

All of my life, in every season, You are still God
I have a reason to sing, I have a reason to worship

This is my prayer in the harvest,
when favor and providence flow
I know I'm filled to be emptied again,
the seed I've received I will sow.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you.
— Romans 12:10a

Love one another deeply from the heart.
— 1Peter 1:22

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

NOTES:

MESSAGE SERIES: A MAN CALLED LOVE

Title: Another Helper

Text: John 14:8-20

Speaker: Dave O'Connell

“Lord,” said Philip, “show us the Father, and that’s enough for us.”

⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have I been among you all this time and you do not know me, Philip? The one who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰ Don’t you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I speak to you I do not speak on my own. The Father who lives in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me. Otherwise, believe because of the works themselves.

¹² “Truly I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do. And he will do even greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ Whatever you ask in my name, I will do it so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.

¹⁵ “If you love me, you will keep my commands. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper to be with you forever. ¹⁷ He is the Spirit of truth. The world is unable to receive him because it doesn’t see him or know him. But you do know him, because he remains with you and will be in you.

¹⁸ “I will not leave you as orphans; I am coming to you. ¹⁹ In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me. Because I live, you will live too. ²⁰ On that day you will know that I am in my Father, you are in me, and I am in you.

OUTLINE:

- I. The Father (vv. 8-11)
- II. The Gift (vv. 15-17)
- III. The New Era
 - a. Greater Works (vs. 12)
 - b. Answered Prayer (vv. 13-14)
 - c. The Best One of All (vv. 18-20)

COMMUNION

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.

— 1John 4:9-10

Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ? Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body.

— 1Corinthians 10:16-17

OFFERING — Offering is a way for members and friends to support the worship and work of the church, its 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



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

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”).

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.

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.

MISSIONS REPORT

Cuba Trip to Havana & Matanzas to visit with our Sister Church
Karen & Mike Mizrahi
Shannon Roa

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 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 and ever. Amen.**

Sending

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

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*

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.

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

5th-8th Miracle Ranch Summer Camp will be happening from Friday, June 23rd to Sunday, the 25th. The cost will be \$225 plus \$34 per add-on activity (Horseback Riding, Paintball, and High ropes course). Those currently in 5th grade and 8th grade are welcome to sign-up. A sign-up email will be out shortly.

High School Summer Immersion Servant Leadership Camp is happening July 15- 22. We are partnering with Sacred Roads again and serving the Warm Springs Nation. If you are interested in going text or email Josh and come to the mandatory information meeting on Sunday, March 5th after church in the BHS Library.

Summer in the USA: Basque exchange program: For anyone interested in hosting a Basque high school student for the month of July. If you are interested in participating or praying for the program, email crosssound@summerintheusa.org.

Women's Ministry: Join us for IF Gathering 2023 at Gateway Fellowship in Poulsbo on Friday, March 3rd (6pm-9:30) and Saturday, March 4th (8am-3:30). You won't want to miss out on an opportunity for incredible teaching, worship and fellowship in the Word. Go to bit.ly/ifpoulsbo to register locally.

Women's Bible Study Join us at the church office this week! This winter we are studying "James: Mercy Triumphs" by Beth Moore.

Monday Evening 6:30 - 8:30 - Soup and Salad Dinner provided

Wednesday Morning 9:15 - 11:15 - Breakfast Potluck & Childcare Provided

Questions? Email Ashley@CrossSound.org or visit bit.ly/crosssoundwomen

GriefShare (GS) RETURNS weekly Thursdays Mar 2–May 25, 2023 from 9:45am- Noon at the Church Office. Adults on Bainbridge Island and beyond who recently or in past have lost a spouse, child, family member, neighbor or friend can find comfort, hope and renewed purpose through a weekly video and discussions in a safe and comfortable environment. Confidentiality is stressed and valued. GS can be very helpful learning what is normal and how to go forward when you are stuck in grief. For information and registration contact: Sue MacFarlane Call 206-714-5986 or Email: jimorsuemac@hotmail.com

Opportunities for leadership and service Like a family, we each have a strengths that complement one another and are necessary to build relationships within the church and community. Will you share your strength with us? Currently our greatest needs for volunteers are: Sunday Morning Greeters, Sound Crew Support, Sunday School teachers and Sunday Set-Up. Email kristin@crosssound.org if you are interested in volunteering! Thank you

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: _____

Phone Number(s): _____

Email(s): _____

Prayer Requests/Comments: _____

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 than 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.