



God loves each  
of us as if  
there were only  
one of us.

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Augustine

# 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.

# Gathering

*Please join in song when ready*

**Gloria Patri** — Words: Gloria Patri, 2nd Century, Music: Karl Digerness, 2009

Glory be to the Father                      As it was in the beginning

Glory be to the Son                        Shall be forever

Glory be to the Spirit, Three in One    Amen, Amen, Amen

CALL TO WORSHIP — Hebrews 12:28 & 13:15

We are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken,

**so let us be thankful,**

and let us offer to God acceptable worship,

**with reverence and awe.**

Through Jesus,

**let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise.**

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,

We so regularly lose sight of you.

We fail to live in light of your goodness and love.

And our attitudes, words, and deeds show it.

Lord, forgive us again!

And thank you for Jesus!

Thank you for the one who died for our every sin.

Lord, renew our joy in Him, our love for Him, and  
our resolve to wholeheartedly follow Him, we pray.

Amen.

# Renewing

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

When Satan tells me I am a sinner he comforts me immeasurably,  
since Christ died for sinners.” — Martin Luther

There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus! — Romans 8:1

You forgave me! All my guilt is gone. — Psalm 32:5b (NLT)

Because of Jesus Christ,  
And in Jesus Christ,  
We are Forgiven.  
We are Loved.  
We are His.  
Rejoice and be at Peace!  
Amen.

### **Agnus Dei** — by Michael W. Smith

Alleluia, Alleluia For the Lord God Almighty reigns  
Alleluia, Alleluia For the Lord God Almighty reigns  
Alleluia  
Holy, holy are you Lord God Almighty  
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb  
You are holy, Holy are you Lord God Almighty  
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb, Amen

### **Revelation Song**

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain. Holy, holy is He.  
Sing a new song to Him who sits on Heaven's Mercy Seat.

*Holy, Holy, Holy is The Lord, God Almighty. Who was and is and is to come.  
With all creation I sing, "Praise to The King of Kings,  
You are my everything. And I will adore You".*

Clothed in rainbows, of living color. Flashes of lightening, rolls of thunder.  
Blessing and honor, strength and glory and power be, To You, the only wise King.

### *Chorus*

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder, At the mention of Your Name.  
Jesus, Your Name is power, breath and living water. Such a marvelous mystery.

### *Chorus*

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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.

**What a Beautiful Name** — *Ben Fielding & Brooke Ligertwood*

You were the Word at the beginning  
One with God the Lord Most High  
Your hidden glory in creation  
Now revealed in You, our Christ

What a beautiful Name it is  
What a beautiful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King  
What a beautiful name it is  
Nothing compares to this  
What a beautiful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus

You wanted heaven opened to us  
So Jesus, You brought heaven down  
My sin was great, Your love was greater  
What could separate us now?

What a wonderful name it is...

Death could not hold You  
The veil tore before You  
You silence the boast of sin and grave  
The heavens are roaring  
The praise of Your glory  
For You are raised to life again  
You have no rival, You have no equal  
Now and forever, God You reign  
Yours is the kingdom, Yours is the glory  
Yours is the Name above all names

What a powerful Name it is...

THE MANY WORDS OF PRAISE

**Yādāh** (yaw-daw): To worship with extended hands.

**May all the peoples praise (yādāh) you, God;  
May all the peoples praise (yādāh) you.** — Psalm 67:3

**In God we make our boast all day long,  
And we will praise (yādāh) your name forever.** — Psalm 44:8

## STUDENT DISMISSAL, ANNOUNCEMENTS & GREETING

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

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

Teach us, Lord, full obedience  
Holy reverence, true humility  
Test our thoughts and our attitudes  
In the radiance of Your purity  
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see  
Your majestic love and authority  
Words of power that can never fail  
Let their Truth prevail over unbelief

## QUOTES:

*If you ever rejoice in the Lord, you may always rejoice in the Lord, for He is the same, and always gracious.* — Charles Spurgeon

*In your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.*  
— Psalm 16:11

*Christian joy isn't always laughing, always having a good, hilarious time. Christian joy is the deep, settled peace that comes to live within your heart when you know that the really important things are all right.* — David Jeremiah

*Rejoicing in the Lord is not a luxury --- it is a necessity!* — Kent Hughes

*If you have no joy, there's a leak in your Christianity somewhere.* — Billy Sunday

MESSAGE SERIES: SURPRISING JOY

**SERIES: Surprising Joy**

**TITLE: Defiant Joy**

**TEXT: Philippians 4:4-9**

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! <sup>5</sup> Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup> Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

<sup>8</sup> Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. <sup>9</sup> Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

OUTLINE

- I. Our Relationship with God: REJOICE (vs. 4)
- II. Our Relationship with Others: BE GENTLE (vs. 5)
- III. Our Relationship with Ourselves: DO NOT BE ANXIOUS (vv. 6-9)

NOTES:

OFFERING — 2nd Corinthians 9:7

Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. — 2nd Corinthians 9:7

When grace happens, generosity happens. — Max Lucado

**The Love of the Father** — *James Ferguson & Rich Thompson*

Lift up your voices and lift up your praise  
Join with the heavens declaring the wonders  
Of His faithfulness forever

Sing of the victory, the hope of the world  
The Savior has risen, the Spirit has come  
To bring us into love forever

*We are the people of God  
With the freedom of hope in our hearts  
How great is the love of the Father*

Lifted from darkness and into the light  
The sons and daughters are loved at a price,  
Our God Has made us His forever

*Chorus (x2)*

This is the song of the redeemed  
The ransomed and the free  
Given life at such a price  
This is love, this is love  
And when the Father calls us home  
And we see Him on the throne  
Hear the voices sing as one  
This is love, this is love

*Chorus (x2)*

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The offering is a way for members and friends of Cross Sound Church to support the worship and work of the church, its mission and ministry. There are different ways to financially give, via:

- Offering basket: place Check or Cash in a Giving Envelope on Sunday mornings
- Mail: Cross Sound Church PO Box 11748 or 600 Ericksen Ave #210, Bainbridge Is., WA 98110
- Cross Sound app: look up “Church Center” on the App Store and follow the prompts
- Online: <https://www.crosssound.org/give>
- Stock: contact [bookkeeper@crosssound.org](mailto:bookkeeper@crosssound.org)

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Heavenly Father,

**By grace, you have brought us into your kingdom.**

**In love, you have adopted us into your family.**

**In Jesus, you will never, ever let us go.**

**Teach us to daily celebrate & rejoice in these things,**

**And to let our joy in you be our strength!**

*[Silent Prayer: Invite Him to help you to grow in rejoicing]*

For this, O Lord, we pray:

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lord Jesus,

**You taught us not to worry, but to rest in your care.**

**Lord, teach us to turn our cares into prayers.**

**Teach us to bring you our praise and thanks,**

**Not only on good days, but in the hardest of days,**

**So that we might know your perfect, guarding peace.**

*[Silent Prayer: Invite Him to help grow you in prayer & peace]*

For this, O Lord, we pray:

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Holy Spirit,

**We live in a charged, angry, and divided world.**

**Work in our hearts and in our life together as a church,**

**So that we might reflect the gentleness of Christ!**

**Help us to be strong in Him, and in the truth,**

**But in a way that is caring, winsome, and loving too.**

*[Silent Prayer: Invite him to help you to be gentle in a specific role or relationship where it is most needed.]*

For this, O Lord, we pray:

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

## 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, and the power, and the glory, forever.**

**Amen.**

# Sending

**Who You Say I Am** — *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**

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

**Amen.**

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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

**13-week GriefShare Program Begins Sep 8** GriefShare returns weekly Thursdays Sept 8-Dec 8 Church Office 10 am-12:30 pm. If you have lost a spouse, child, family member or friend, you have probably found there may not be many people who can't understand the pain of this loss for you. It can affect your outlook on life, your health, cause confusion, raise questions about your mental health and about things you have never faced. It could have happened years ago or recently. GriefShare groups meet weekly to help you face these challenges and begin rebuilding your life. Our 2021 pilot program was very helpful in learning what is normal and how to deal with where you feel stuck. It builds hope and purpose. Confidentiality is stressed and valued. *For info and/or registration contact Sue MacFarlane 206-714-5986 or jimorsuemac@hotmail.com. Please provide name and contact info.*

**Community Group Fall Sign Ups TODAY!** This 11-week Fall Session runs from 9/4 thru 11/19. Sign up in-person at church today or next Sunday or email Roger at [irbarbers@gmail.com](mailto:irbarbers@gmail.com). Please indicate a group or evening of the week preference:

Leader	Evening
Dave Sellers	Tuesday (BI) (Kid Friendly)
Mark & Cheryl Harrison	Thursday (Poulsbo)
Bob Cordell & Bill Parrott	Thursday (Poulsbo) (Kid Friendly)
Linda Gordon & Roger Barber	Saturday (BI)
Patrick Kilby	Sunday afternoon (BI) (Kid Friendly)
Dave O'Connell	Thursday (BI) (Kid Friendly)
Fred & Robbin Kroger and Tom & Linda Hittle	Sunday (BI)

**Men's Ministry Retreat: September 16-18 @ Fort Worden** This year's focus is *Man's Journey towards Maturity*, looking at seven Hebrew words that express seven different aspects of what a mature man looks like. You are invited to fish the sound, hike the trails or beach, play golf or tennis, hang out, relax and study scripture. *Sign up!* <https://crosssound.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1342195>

**Ensenada Fundraiser: Golf at Meadowmeer** We are continuing our annual tradition on September 24. Mark your calendar and stay tuned for details!

**Ensenada is November 19-25!** Building homes for those in desperate need. PLEASE NOTE, we've reached max capacity at 60 people, but you may still sign up! *If you are interested in learning more, or taking a spot if one opens, sign up online:* <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805094FAFA623AAF94-ensenada>

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If you need support, would like prayer, have a question, or are suffering COVID-19 Hardship contact: [info@crosssound.org](mailto:info@crosssound.org) Find info about COVID-19 at: [www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/Coronavirus?](http://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/Coronavirus?)

# 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: \_\_\_\_\_  
Second time visitor       \_\_\_\_\_ Ministry       Please add me to:  
Regular attendee       \_\_\_\_\_      Email list   
Mailing list

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Children & their ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Email(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Prayer Requests/Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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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 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.*