



Live a life so mysterious
that the only adequate
explanation is the
presence of the living,
loving God.



Dorothy Day

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

CALL TO WORSHIP — Psalm 40:1-3

I waited patiently for the LORD;
he inclined to me and heard my cry.
He drew me up from the pit of destruction,
out of the miry bog,
and set my feet upon a rock,
making my steps secure.
He put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our God.
Many will see and fear,
and put their trust in the LORD.

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.

God our Father,
by your grace you declare us to be your children
and send your Spirit into our lives.
Yet we confess that we have sinned again you
and our neighbor.
We have wounded your love
and marred your image in us.
Forgive us for the sake of your Son.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

May God who loved the world so much
that he sent his Son to be our Savior
forgive us our sin
and make us holy to serve him in the world,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Jesus Anthem / Great Are you Lord — Phil Wickham

So many reasons, too many to count.
To say that I love You, to worship You now.
Your love is perfect, and Your heart is kind.
I'm Yours forever, forever You're mine.

*Jesus, the anthem of my heart, Jesus the anchor of my soul,
I'm overwhelmed by all You are, Oh, how I love You*

You call me beloved, and I call you friend.
Your grace says I'm worthy, You welcome me in.
Now all that I long for, and all that I need,
Is to be in Your presence, Forever I fall at Your feet

Chorus (x2)

Faithful to the end - God You are always good.
Where do I begin - There's so many reasons to love You
Your promise never breaks - Your beauty never fades,
What else can I say - There's so many reasons to love you

Chorus (x2)

All the earth will shout Your praise, Our hearts will cry,
these bones will sing, Great are You, Lord
All the earth will shout Your praise, Our hearts will cry,
these bones will sing, Great are You, Lord
All the earth will shout Your praise, Our hearts will cry,
these bones will sing, Great are You, Lord

It's Your breath in our lungs, So we pour out our praise, We pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs, So we pour out our praise to You only
It's Your breath in our lungs, So we pour out our praise, We pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs So we pour out our praise to You only

Great are you Lord, Great are you Lord, Great are you Lord, Great are you Lord

Good, Good Father — Pat Barrett, Tony Brown

Oh, I've heard a thousand stories, of what they think you're like
But I've heard the tender whisper, of love in the dead of night
And you tell me that you're pleased and that I'm never alone

*You're a good, good Father, It's who You are, It's who You are, It's who You are,
And I'm loved by You, It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am*

Oh, and I've seen many searching for answers far and wide
But I know we're all searching for answers only you provide
'Cause You know just what we need before we say a word

*You're a good, good Father, It's who You are, It's who You are, It's who You are,
And I'm loved by You, It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am*

You are perfect in all of Your ways.
You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

Oh, it's love so undeniable, I, I can hardly speak
Peace so unexplainable, I, I can hardly think
As You call me deeper still, As You call me deeper still,
As You call me deeper still, Into love, love, love

*You're a good, good Father, It's who You are, It's who You are, It's who You are,
And I'm loved by You, It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am
You're a good, good Father, It's who You are, It's who You are, It's who You are,
And I'm loved by You, It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am*

You are perfect in all of Your ways.
You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

Gratitude — Brandon Lake

All my words fall short, I got nothing new,
How could I express, All my gratitude
I could sing these songs, As I often do,
But every song must end, And You never do

*So I throw up my hands, And praise You again and again,
'Cause all that I have is a Hallelujah, Hallelujah
And I know its not much But Ive nothing else fit for a King
Except for a heart singing Hallelujah Hallelujah*

I've got one response, I've got just one move,
With my arms stretched wide, I will worship You

Chorus

So come on my soul, oh, don't you get shy on me,
Lift up your song, 'cause you've got a lion
Inside of those lungs, Get up and praise the Lord
Oh come on my soul, oh, don't you get shy on me,
Lift up your song, 'cause you've got a lion
Inside of those lungs, Get up and praise the Lord
Come on my soul, oh, don't you get shy on me,
Lift up your song, 'cause you've got a lion
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Chorus: x2

TUESDAY AFTERNOON STORY — Steve Frease

ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

Please stand and introduce yourself to one another.

With the exception of the nursery, all students begin in the worship service. Upon dismissal students may proceed to their individual classes: Nursery Rm 234, Preschool Rm 232, K-1st Rm 231, 2-4th Rm 229, 5-6th Rm 231

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.

SERIES: GOSPEL CULTURE

Text: 1 Corinthians 3:18-4:7

Title: Spiritual Maturity

Speaker: Kyle Schei

Let no one deceive himself. If anyone among you thinks that he is wise in this age, let him become a fool that he may become wise. ¹⁹ For the wisdom of this world is folly with God. For it is written, “He catches the wise in their craftiness,” ²⁰ and again, “The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile.” ²¹ So let no one boast in men. For all things are yours, ²² whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future—all are yours, ²³ and you are Christ’s, and Christ is God’s.

This is how one should regard us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. ² Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found faithful. ³ But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged by you or by any human court. In fact, I do not even judge myself. ⁴ For I am not aware of anything against myself, but I am not thereby acquitted. It is the Lord who judges me. ⁵ Therefore do not pronounce judgment before the time, before the Lord comes, who will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Then each one will receive his commendation from God.

I have applied all these things to myself and Apollos for your benefit, brothers, that you may learn by us not to go beyond what is written, that none of you may be puffed up in favor of one against another. ⁷ For who sees anything different in you? What do you have that you did not receive? If then you received it, why do you boast as if you did not receive it?

NOTES:

QUOTES:

“Christ says, ‘Give me All. I don’t want so much of your time and so much of your money and so much of your work: I want You. I have not come to torment your natural self, but to kill it. No half-measures are any good. I don’t want to cut off a branch here and a branch there, I want to have the whole tree cut down. Hand over the whole natural self, all the desires which you think innocent as well as the ones you think wicked—the whole outfit. I will give you a new self instead. In fact, I will give you Myself: my own will shall become yours.” — C.S. Lewis

“Do not despair over every relapse, which the God of patience has the patience to forgive and under which a sinner certainly should have the patience to humble himself. No, fear nothing and do not despair; he who says ‘Come here’ is with you on the way; from him there is help and forgiveness on the way of conversion that leads to him, and with him is rest.” — Soren Kierkegaard

“The disciple of Christ desires above all else to be like him...” — Dallas Willard

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



I urge you, in view of God’s mercy,
to offer your bodies as living sacrifices,
holy and pleasing to God—
this is your spiritual worship.
— from Romans 12:1

The Father's Calling — Thad Cockrell

Listen while you still can hear
Listen while you still can hear,
The Father's calling, the Father's call
Bow down while your knees still bend
Bow down while your knees still bend,
The Father's calling, the Father's call

I don't want to walk away, walk away from Him
No I don't want to walk away, walk away from Him
Bind me to your side, bind me to your side

Seek him though your eyes don't see,
Seek him though your eyes don't see,
The Father's calling, the Father's call
Praise Him while your lips still sing
Praise Him while your lips still sing,
The Father's calling, the Father's call

I don't want to walk away, walk away from Him,
No I don't want to walk away, walk away from Him
Bind me to your side, bind me to your side

I don't want to walk away, walk away from Him,
No I don't want to walk away, walk away from Him
Bind me to your side, bind me to your side
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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.**

Sending

Blessed Be Your Name — Matt Redman, 2002

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name
And blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise,
And when the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say
Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be, blessed be Your name
And blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise,
And when the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say
Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be Your glorious name

You give and take away, You give and take away,
My heart will choose to say Lord, blessed be Your name
You give and take away, You give and take away,
My heart will choose to say Lord, blessed be Your name

Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be Your glorious name
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Chorus x2

BENEDICTION — Colossians 3:17

Whatever you do, in word or deed,
do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks to God the Father through him. 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

April 27 “Men of Hope” Event: in a time of accelerating hopelessness and despair, God, through the Holy Spirit, is at work shaping us into a countercultural community filled with hope. Let's spend some time exploring this together! Paul Schuler, who planted and led CSC for 10 years, will be speaking on Saturday, April 27 at the BI Rowing Club from 9-11:30am. (281 Brien Drive SE next to BI Waterfront Park Ave Suite 210. BI, WA 98110). RSVP to info@crosssound.org

April 28, May 5, May 12, May 19 Confirmation Class for 5th – 8th graders: Students will learn what we believe as Christians and why. Class is taught during regular Sunday School time. Email suzanne@crosssound.org for information.

May 19: Braver Angel's Workshop: How do we navigate a Presidential Year? Braver Angels is a New York-based 501 nonprofit dedicated to political depolarization through workshops where “red” and “blue” participants attempt to better understand one another's positions and discover their shared values. Join us for this workshop on Sunday, May 19 from 12:00-6:30p; Lunch provided.

Dinners For 8: We'd love to get to know each other better You are invited to host or attend a multigenerational dinner. at 5:00 on 3 Sundays of your choice in May or June (with drop off free childcare provided at the church office). It could be at your host's house, a beach bonfire or coffee shop, etc. as you wish. (If those dates don't work, feel free to do whatever is best for your group). If you'd like to participate or host, please email Brooke Wellman at Brooke.wellman@yahoo.com

June 21-23: Miracle Ranch 5th-8th Graders Come kick off Summer vacation and join us for a weekend of incredible FUN at Miracle Ranch in Port Orchard. Activities include gaga ball, a game room, a rodeo, a climbing wall, a snack shop, large group meetings, and the opportunity to participate in, horseback riding, high ropes, and paintball. Sign up here: bit.ly/5-8miracleranch2024 or QR code >

June 22: Day at Miracle Ranch K-4th Come spend a day with us at Miracle Ranch to start the summer and enjoy all the fun activities! PreK (age 4+) also welcome with a parent. Visit the link to learn all the details and to sign up. Sign up by May 30. Contact suzanne@crosssound.org for questions, or to volunteer. Student and adult volunteers needed! [/bit.ly/K-4miracleranch2024](https://bit.ly/K-4miracleranch2024)

Cross Sound Kids Summer Intern: Calling college students and high school juniors and seniors - if you like working with kids and are looking for a summer leadership opportunity, come be our summer intern! This is a paid position. Contact suzanne@crosssound.org or brooke@crosssound.org with any questions. View the job description here: bit.ly/internskids2024

Partnering For Mexico City - Find out more about church planting in Mexico, Victor Cruz, and his work with Redeemer City to City. Check out our new website, subscribe to our blog, or donate to our work. Join the mission! partneringformexicocity.org/

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.