



We experience pain
and difficulty as failure,
instead of saying,
I will pass through this,
everyone I have ever admired
has passed through this,
music has come out of it,
literature has come out of it.
We should think of our
humanity as a privilege.



Marilynne Robinson

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 36:5-9

Your unfailing love, O LORD, is as vast as the heavens;
your faithfulness reaches beyond the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,
your justice like the ocean depths.

You care for people and animals alike, O LORD.
How precious is your unfailing love, O God!

All humanity finds shelter
in the shadow of your wings.

You feed them from the abundance of your own house,
letting them drink from your rivers of delight.

For you are the fountain of life,
the light by which we see.

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 of love and justice,
we long for peace within and peace without.**

**We long for harmony in our families,
for serenity in the midst of struggle.**

**We long for the day when our homes
will be a dwelling place for your love.**

**Yet we confess that we are often anxious,
we do not trust each other, and we harbor violence.**

**We are not willing to take the risks
and make the sacrifices that love requires.**

Look upon us with kindness and grace.

**Rule in our homes and in all the world;
show us how to walk in your paths,
through the mercy of our Savior.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE — Romans 8:15-17

You did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear,
but you have received a spirit of adoption.

When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit
bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God,
and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ.

Text in bold is read by the entire congregation. Plain text is read by the worship leader only.

Honey In The Rock

*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

*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, purpose in Your plan,
Power in the blood, healing in Your hands
Started flowing when You said it is done,
Everything You did's enough, Jesus who you are is enough*

I keep looking, I keep finding, You keep giving, keep providing,
I have all that I need, You are all that I need
I keep praying, You keep moving,
I keep praising, You keep proving,
I have all that I need, You are all that I need

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There's honey in the rock, There's honey in the rock
There's honey in the rock, There's honey in the rock

Oh how sweet, How sweet it is, To trust in You, Jesus,
Oh how sweet, How sweet it is, To trust in You, Jesus
Oh, how sweet, How sweet it is, To trust in You, Jesus

Your Love Oh Lord

Your love, Oh Lord, reaches to the heavens
Your faithfulness stretches to the sky
Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains
And Your justice flows like the ocean's tides

And I will lift my voice to worship You, my King
And I will find my strength in the shadow of Your wings

Great is thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not,
As Thou has been Thou forever wilt be.
Great is Thy faithfulness!, Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided,
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness,
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.
Great is Thy faithfulness!, Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided,
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide.
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside
Great is Thy faithfulness!, Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided,
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

TUESDAY STORY — Emma Sellers

ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

Please stand and introduce yourself to one another.

QUOTES:

'A psalm is not a lecture; it is a song. In a psalm we have the observable evidence of what happens when a person of faith goes about the business of believing and loving and following God. We don't have a rule book defining the action, we have a snapshot of players playing the game.' — Eugene H Peterson

'The Psalms filled the life of the early Christians. But more important than all of this is that Jesus died on the cross with words from the Psalms on his lips. Whenever the Psalter is abandoned, an incomparable treasure is lost to the Christian church. With its recovery will come unexpected power.' — Dietrich Bonhoeffer

'The Psalms live in your city, on your street, in your family. The Psalms tell your story. It is a story of hope and disappointment, of need and provision, of fear and mystery, of struggle and rest, and of God's boundless love and amazing grace. People in the Psalms get angry, grow afraid, cry out in confusion, survive opposition, hope for better days, hurt one another, help one another, run from God, trust in God, make foolish choices, ask for forgiveness, and grow wiser and stronger. They are people just like you and me.' — Paul David Tripp

NOTES:

SERMON SERIES: SUMMER IN THE PSALMS

Text: Psalm 81

Title: Honey from the Rock

Speaker: Dave Sellers

Sing aloud to God our strength;
shout for joy to the God of Jacob!
Raise a song; sound the tambourine,
the sweet lyre with the harp.
Blow the trumpet at the new moon,
at the full moon, on our feast day.
For it is a statute for Israel,
a rule of the God of Jacob.
He made it a decree in Joseph
when he went out over the land of Egypt.
I hear a language I had not known:
“I relieved your shoulder of the burden;
your hands were freed from the basket.
In distress you called, and I delivered you;
I answered you in the secret place of thunder;
I tested you at the waters of Meribah. Selah
Hear, O my people, while I admonish you!
O Israel, if you would but listen to me!
There shall be no strange god among you;
you shall not bow down to a foreign god.
I am the LORD your God,
who brought you up out of the land of Egypt.
Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.
“But my people did not listen to my voice;
Israel would not submit to me.
So I gave them over to their stubborn hearts,
to follow their own counsels.
Oh, that my people would listen to me,
that Israel would walk in my ways!
I would soon subdue their enemies
and turn my hand against their foes.
Those who hate the LORD would cringe toward him,
and their fate would last forever.
But he would feed you with the finest of the wheat,
and with honey from the rock I would satisfy you.”

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.

COMMUNION — *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").*

"The Lord's Table...isn't just a visual aid to remind us, as though it were a memory-jogging tool. As we gather together around the Table, we are being trained to eat at the "big table" in Jerusalem. And we're announcing to ourselves, and to the satanic powers in the air around us, what's really true. "Eat, drink and be merry, for tomorrow we die" is a sham. The alternative is not a refusal to eat, drink or be merry. That would be ingratitude. Instead, with the resurrected Jesus we sing out, "Let us eat, drink and be merry, for yesterday we were dead."— Russell D Moore

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 98110



Do good and share what you have,
for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

— Hebrews 13:16

Amazing Grace (Chains Are Gone) — Chris Tomlin

Amazing Grace! How sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear, The hour I first believed.

*My chains are gone, I've been set free, My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood, His mercy reigns, Unending Love, Amazing Grace*

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures,
He will my shield and portion be, As long as life endures.

*My chains are gone, I've been set free, My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood, His mercy reigns, Unending Love, Amazing Grace (repeat)*

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, The sun forbear to shine
But God, who called me here below, Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine...
You are forever mine

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.

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Sending

Trust In You — Lauren Diagle

Letting go of every single dream, I lay each one down at Your feet,
Every moment of my wandering, never changes what You see,
I've tried to win this war I confess, my hands are weary I need Your rest,
Mighty warrior, King of the fight, no matter what I face You're by my side,

*When You don't move the mountains, I'm needing You to move,
When You don't part the waters, I wish I could walk through,
When You don't give the answers as I cry out to You,
I will trust, I will trust, I will trust in You*

Truth is You know what tomorrow brings,
there's not a day ahead You have not seen,
So in all things be my life and breath,
I want what You want Lord and nothing less,

Chorus

You are my strength and comfort, You are my steady hand,
You are my firm foundation, the rock on which I stand,
Your ways are always higher, Your plans are always good,
There's not a place where I'll go You've not already stood,

Chorus

BENEDICTION — African Blessing

All our problems,
We send to the cross of Christ!
All our difficulties,
We send to the cross of Christ!
All the devil's works,
We send to the cross of Christ!
All our hopes,
We set on the risen Christ!
Amen.

Announcements

August 3-7: Home Stay Request: 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!

August 4: All-Church Lunch! You are invited to stay after service for a catered Mexican lunch! The Hospitality Team needs help with Set-up, Take-down and providing sides. If interested, please sign up on the clipboard!

August 8: Women's Ministry: Backpack Drive Donations Due Please help us collect 135 backpacks for 7th-12th grade students by Thursday, 8/8. For more information, check out bit.ly/24projectbackpack and sign up on the clipboard!

August 18: Women's Ministry: Picnic with a Purpose: Mark Your Calendar! Join us after church as we gather at the home of Barb Ames for our annual Women's Ministry Summer Picnic. Don't miss this beloved tradition! Please RSVP at: bit.ly/2024picnicwithapurpose by Monday, August 12 so we can plan food.

August 25: Save the Date: Homes for Home Golf Fundraiser Join us 8/25 for our Annual Ensenada golf fundraiser! This event takes place at Meadowmeer directly after Sunday Service and includes lunch. It will be a fun, 9-hole scramble format tournament with teams of 4 people. Details to follow!

Women's Bible 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: <http://bit.ly/crosssoundwomen> or sign up on the clipboard!

School of Discipleship Has Begun! 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: katiepearson@crosssound.org

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: _____

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.