



The ultimate test
of our spirituality
is the measure
of our amazement
at the grace
of God.

Martyn Lloyd-Jones

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

PASTORS: Dave Sellers: dave@crosssound.org, or (206) 334-5205 and Dave O'Connell: daveoc@crosssound.org, or (314) 853-2695

To learn more about the entire staff and our team of Elders, Deacons, International Ministers and Community Group Leaders, visit our website: crosssound.org or call our office: **(206) 842-6898**

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

Gathering

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

Oh come, let us sing to the Lord;
Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving;
Let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise! — Psalm 95:1-2

Renewing

CONFESSION OF SIN

Make confession to God the Lord, and let everyone acknowledge with me his sin and iniquity.

**Heavenly Father, This week, we have failed you;
At many times, and in many ways.
We readily acknowledge this morning,
That we need your reckless, wonderful grace.**

Forgive us again, dear Father.
For the ways that we have lived selfishly.
For the ways that we have failed to love.
For the ways that we have minimized or even welcomed sin.
For the ways that we have failed to trust, love, and rejoice in you.

It was for these things, and so many more, that Jesus came.
It was for these things, and so many more, that Jesus died.
And so with hearts filled with gratitude and love,
We give you our thanks for your forgiveness and grace.
We give you our thanks for Jesus. Amen.

RECEIVING OF GRACE

Jesus Christ gave his life to free us from every kind of sin,
to cleanse us, and to make us his very own people. — Titus 2:14
So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus...
Nothing can ever separate us from God's love. — Romans 8:1 & 38
Rejoice, and be at Peace! Amen.
Amen.

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

10,000 Reasons — *Matt Redman*

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul

Worship His holy name

Sing like never before, O my soul

I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes

Chorus

You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger
Your name is great, and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

Chorus

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

I Cry Out — *Craig Musseau*

I cry out, for Your hand of mercy to heal me.
I am weak, and I need your love to free me.
Oh Lord, my rock. My strength in weakness.
Come rescue me, Oh Lord.

You are my hope and Your promise never fails me.
And my desire is to follow you forever.

For you are good, for you are good, For you are good to me.
For you are good, for you are good, For you are good to me

How Great Thou Art — *Stuart Hine*

O Lord my God, When I in awesome wonder,
Consider all the worlds Thy Hands have made;
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

*Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, How great Thou art.
Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, How great Thou art!*

When through the woods, and forest glades I wander,
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees.
When I look down, from lofty mountain grandeur
And see the brook, and feel the gentle breeze.

Chorus

And when I think, that God, His Son not sparing;
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;
That on a Cross, my burdens gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.

Chorus

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration,
And then proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!"

Chorus

LAMENTING — Psalm 38:9-10 & 21-22

All my longings lie open before you, Lord;
my sighing is not hidden from you.
My heart pounds, my strength fails me;
even the light has gone from my eyes.

Lord, do not forsake me;
do not be far from me, my God.
Come quickly to help me,
my Lord and my Savior.

GREETING

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

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

NOTES:

Message

Text: Jeremiah 29:4-7

Title: Requirements for God's Mission

Pastor: Victor Cruz

Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: ⁵ Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat their produce. ⁶ Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. ⁷ But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare."

QUOTES

You weren't created just to consume resources – to eat, breathe, and take up space. God designed you and saved you to make a difference with your life. While many best-selling books offer advice on how to “get” the most out of life, that's not the reason God made you. You were created and saved to add to life on earth.... In God's kingdom, you have a place, a purpose, a role, and a function to fulfill. — Rick Warren

What we have to offer the world is not merely entry into heaven. The gospel is the great antidote for the million illnesses in our world. It comforts the discouraged, breaks through the walls of the hard-hearted, gives answers to the thinker, provides a ballast for the insecure, and saves the sinful, all at the same time. The one happy destination never changes, but we have as many on-ramps as there are people to guide there. — Jimmy Needham

Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as you ever can. — John Wesley

Imagine what could happen if just 10 percent of all Christians in the world got serious about their role as real servants. Imagine all the good that could be done. Are you willing to be one of those people? — Rick Warren

OFFERING

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.
—2 Corinthians 8:9

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.
—2 Corinthians 9:7

Master's Calling — *Thad Cockrell*

Listen while you still can hear
Listen while you still can hear
The Master's calling, The Master's calling

Bow down while your knees still bend
Bow down while your knees still bend
The Master's calling, The Master's calling

I don't wanna walk away
Walk away from Him
No, I don't wanna walk away
Don't wanna 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 Master's calling, The Master's calling

Praise him while your lips still sing
Praise him while your lips still sing
The Master's calling, The Master's calling

I don't wanna walk away
Walk away from Him
No, I don't wanna walk away
Walk away from Him
Bind me to your side, Bind me to your side

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. If you are our guest today, please feel no obligation to give. If you prefer to give online, go to www.crosssound.org/give

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Heavenly Father,

You are at work in this world through your people,
Saving, healing, loving, serving, and making things new.
Help us to celebrate the work that you are doing in others,
And in your grace, help us to be committed to your work too.

For this, O Lord, we pray:
Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus,

You have made us the salt of the earth.
You have made us the light of the world.
You have poured your love into our hearts.
Now be pleased to pour it out through us.

For this, O Lord, we pray:
Lord, hear our prayer.

Holy Spirit,

Work in us – we need to grow in joy, commitment, trust, & love.
Work through us – our communities & friends need your touch.
Work in our country – we need healing, protection, wisdom, & help.
Work in our world – to bring peace, justice, and your saving grace.

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.
Amen.

Sending

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.

Chorus

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.

Chorus

BENEDICTION

Now may the God of peace... equip you with everything good for doing His will,
and may He work in us what is pleasing to Him, through Jesus Christ, to whom
be glory for ever and ever. — Hebrews 13:20-21

Amen.

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

Mark Your Calenders! Details to follow...

ALL-CHURCH LUNCHEON directly following service on Sunday, Aug. 1

ALL-CHURCH PICNIC at Fay Bainbridge Park, Sunday, Aug 29. 4-8pm

Women's Ministry — July

- LITTLE BEACH HANGOUT, 7/14, 8 pm: bring chair/blanket and beverage; we will bring the fire and the s'mores makings! Lytle Rd NE. Contacts: Heather Davies (hjdavies99@gmail.com) or Bobbi Jones (bibflyer@gmail.com).

- SUMMER BOOK CIRCLE starts 7/21: Wed. mornings, 9:45-11:15 am for 4 weeks. Get your copy of *Prayer in the Night* by Tish Harrison Warren; then join in discussion with us at Egleddale Park (5055 Rose Ave NE). Bring chair/blanket; child care provided.

- COFFEE AT PLEASANT BEACH, 7/31, 10 am, : Get a coffee or tea at The Marketplace at Pleasant Beach (4738 Lynwood Center Rd NE); then either stay to chat there, or bring it over to the beach, along with your paddleboard, kayak, canoe, or beach chair! Questions? kerri@crosssound.org

Men's Ministry As a church, we want to be supportive of each other via Community Groups, Men's Bible Study, small groups, worship, and friendships. If you want to connect, please email, text or call Dave Sellers (206) 334.5205.

- MEN'S RETREAT: Sept. 17-19, 2021 at Ft. Worden Sign up here:

<https://crosssound.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/225443>

- FRIDAY AM BIBLE STUDY: email irbarbers@gmail.com for Zoom link 3,051.47

Children's Ministry REGISTRATION FOR CROSS SOUND CAMP AT ISLAND LAKE CAMP IN POULSBO IS NOW OPEN! August 16th—20th, 10am—4pm. Please reach out to Laura O'Connell at lauraoc@crosssound.org if you have any questions. Open to all current Kindergarten-8th grade students (we'd love for older students to sign up as counselors!) We hope you can join us! Register here: <https://crosssound.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/791284>

Ensenada 2021! Saturday, Nov. 20th – Friday, Nov. 26th. Families, singles and youth are all encouraged to go. The number of homes we will build will depend on how many people sign up - so let us know if you're interested! Sign-up now for more info: <https://crosssound.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/787698> Or email mail Stu Childers at Stuart@seattlePump.com

Financial Update as of 7/2: Last week's total \$15,411.00 Actual Income to Date \$1,066,283.66 Budgeted Income to Date \$1,019,623 Annual Budget (7/19-6/20): \$1,019,623

If you need support, would like prayer, have a question, or are suffering COVID-19 Hardship contact: info@crosssound.org Find info about COVID-19 at: 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: _____

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.