

SUNDAY, MARCH 11 2018
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

“A sign you’re
growing in
grace:
You work
harder at
remembering
people’s names
and forgetting
their blunders.”

— Scotty Smith



Order of Worship
www.crosssound.org

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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Gathering

Please join in song when ready

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father

Glory be to the Son

Glory be to the Spirit, Three in One

As it was in the beginning

Shall be forever

Amen, Amen, Amen

10,000 Reasons

[Chorus]

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

—Hebrews 4:14-16

Renewing

CONFESSIONS OF SIN

(Confession happens within the context of relationship, both with God and with each other as we acknowledge our need for forgiveness. Jesus promises that He freely forgives sins removing all of our past regrets. You are invited to personalize your confession as we pray silently).

Loving God,

we thank you for giving us faith to cry out to you for help. You have given us the gift of sexuality designed for your holy purposes. But like King David we are full of sexual impurity. Our thoughts are given over to sexual lust filling our minds and eyes with impure images, our hearts captured by romantic tales in which we control others and they worship us. We deceive ourselves into thinking we are better than those who confess their sin openly. Father, forgive us for our sins, and for believing that they are too big to be forgiven by you.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

You were washed, you were sanctified,
You were justified in the name of the
Lord Jesus Christ. May the Father of all mercies
cleanse us from our sins,
send his Spirit into our hearts,
and renew us as his children,
born from above in him who was lifted up.
Amen.

Amen.

Trinity Song

Holy Father, Son and Spirit
Holy Communion, Three in One

Come with your peace, with your invitation
Bind us together in Holy Love

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Chorus

We will feast in the house of Zion.
We will sing with our hearts restored.
“He has done great things,” we will say together.
We will feast, and weep no more.

We will not be burned by the fire;
He is the Lord our God.
We are not consumed by the flood -
Upheld, protected, gathered up.

In the dark of night before the dawn,
My soul be not afraid;
For the promised morning, Oh how long!
O God of Jacob, be my strength!

Every vow we've broken and betrayed,
You are the faithful One;
And from the garden to the grave,
Bind us together, bring shalom.

Rising Sun

Praise Him all you sinners
Sing oh sing you weary
Oh praise Him all you children of God
We lift high His glory
Shown throughout our stories
We praise Him as the children of God

Our Great Redeemer
Glorious Savior
Your name is higher than the rising sun
Light of the morning
You shine forever
Your name is higher than the rising sun
Your name is higher than the rising sun

Praise His name forever
Speak it loud and clear now
Oh praise Him all you children of God

Our Great Redeemer
Glorious Savior
Your name is higher than the rising sun
Light of the morning
You shine forever
Your name is higher than the rising sun
Your name is higher than the rising sun

Hallelujah name above all
Simply to speak Your name is praise
Hallelujah I will always forever
We lift your name in praise

GIVING THANKS

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever.
Give thanks to the God of gods,
for his steadfast love endures forever.
Give thanks to the Lord of lords,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
to him who alone does great wonders,
for his steadfast love endures forever;
— Psalm 136:1-4

The largest book in the Bible is primarily a book of poems set to music to sing God's praises. This is all part of God's design to surround His presence with singing. Expressing gratitude to God expresses dependence upon God and is an antidote for cynicism, criticism, and bitterness.

MESSAGE

Series: The Life of David

Text: 2 Samuel 11:1-17, 26-27

Title: Sex, Betrayal, and Murder

Speaker: Dave Sellers

In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab, and his servants with him, and all Israel. And they ravaged the Ammonites and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem.

It happened, late one afternoon, when David arose from his couch and was walking on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; and the woman was very beautiful.

³And David sent and inquired about the woman. And one said, "Is not this Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite?" ⁴So David sent messengers and took her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she had been purifying herself from her uncleanness.) Then she returned to her house. ⁵And the woman conceived, and she sent and told David, "I am pregnant."

⁶So David sent word to Joab, "Send me Uriah the Hittite." And Joab sent Uriah to David. ⁷When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab was doing and how the people were doing and how the war was going. ⁸Then David said to Uriah, "Go down to your house and wash your feet." And Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. ⁹But Uriah slept at the door of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. ¹⁰When they told David, "Uriah did not go down to his house," David said to Uriah, "Have you not come from a journey? Why did you not go down to your house?" ¹¹Uriah said to David, "The ark and Israel and Judah dwell in booths, and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field. Shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do this thing." ¹²Then David said to Uriah, "Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back." So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day and the next. ¹³And David invited him, and he ate in his presence and drank, so that he made him drunk. And in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house.

¹⁴In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab and sent it by the hand of Uriah. ¹⁵In the letter he wrote, "Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, that he may be struck down, and die." ¹⁶And as Joab was besieging the city, he assigned Uriah to the place where he knew there were valiant men. ¹⁷And the men of the city came out and fought with Joab, and some of the servants of David among the people fell. Uriah the Hittite also died.

²⁶When the wife of Uriah heard that Uriah her husband was dead, she lamented over her husband. ²⁷And when the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife and bore him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the Lord.

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.

QUOTES

‘Sin, then, is an exclusively biblical concept. The word is used, of course, in various nonbiblical contexts by people who know nothing of the Bible, but outside its biblical matrix it simply comes to mean wrongdoing of some sort, defined by whoever happens to be using it - almost without reference to someone other than themselves. To be in sin, biblically speaking, means something very much more consequential than wrongdoing; it means being catastrophically separated from the eternal love of God. It means to be on the other side of an impassable barrier of exclusion from God’s heavenly banquet. It means to be helplessly trapped inside one’s own worst self, miserably aware of the chasm between the way we are and the way God intends us to be. It means the continuation of the reign of greed, cruelty, rapacity, and violence throughout the world.’

—Fleming Rutledge

‘...the crucifixion of Christ for the sin of the world reveals that it is not only the victims of oppression and injustice who are in need of God’s deliverance, but also the victimizers.’

—Fleming Rutledge

OFFERING

Then the people rejoiced
because they had given willingly,
for with a whole heart they had
offered freely to the Lord.
David the king also rejoiced greatly.
—1 Chronicles 29:9

Come All Ye Pining, Hungry, Poor

Lord, we adore Thy boundless grace -
The heights and depths unknown
Of pardon, life, and joy, and peace
In Thy beloved Son.

Come, all ye pining, hungry poor;
The Savior’s bounty taste.
Behold a never-failing store
For every willing guest.

O wondrous gifts of love divine,
Dear Source of every good –
Jesus, in Thee what glories shine,
How rich Thy flowing blood.

Here shall your numerous wants receive
A free, a full supply;
He has unmeasured bliss to give
And joys that never die.

The offering is a way for members and friends of Cross Sound Church to support the church’s mission and ministry. If you are our guest today, please feel no obligation to give.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Father of all mercies, you call us to come unto you, broken and bruised, and you will heal us and give us rest. May we quickly come to you, in everything we face, for apart from you we can do nothing.

For this, O Lord, we pray:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord of the nations, your kingdom is one of healing, of doing good to our neighbor. Restore to wholeness all that is broken by sin in our lives, our neighborhoods, our cities, our nation, and the world.

For this, O Lord, we pray:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Spirit of all compassion, grant comfort and restore all who suffer, all those who groan under their burdens. Make us willing agents of your compassion and strengthen us to minister your hope to others.

For this, O Lord, we pray:

Lord, hear our prayer.

COMMUNION

Lord Jesus,

Your perfect life, your death and your resurrection are the source of all blessing in this life and the life to come. As I eat this bread and drink this cup, renew me in the joy and glory of knowing and serving you. I come to this table on the basis of your merit only and not my own. As you have completely and fully offered yourself for me, I now completely and fully offer myself to you as living sacrifice. Amen

The Power of the Cross

Oh, to see the dawn
Of the darkest day,
Christ on the road to Calvary.
Tried by sinful men,
Torn and beaten, then
Nailed to a cross of wood.

This, the power of the cross,
Christ became sin for us
Took the blame, bore the wrath
We stand forgiven at the cross.

Oh, to see the pain
Written on Your face,
Bearing the awesome
weight of sin.
Every bitter thought,
Every evil deed
Crowning Your bloodstained brow.

Now the daylight flees
Now the ground beneath
Quakes as its Maker bows His head.
Curtain torn in two,
Dead are raised to life,
“Finished!” the victory cry.

Oh, to see my name
Written in the wounds,
For through Your suffering
I am free.
Death is crushed to death
Life is mine to live,
Won through Your selfless love.

This, the power of the cross
Son of God, slain for us
What a love! What a cost!
We stand forgiven at the cross.

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 a follower of Jesus or are not prepared to share in the meal, we encourage you instead to spend this time in prayer ("Prayers for Reflection"). We hope this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with his people, the church.

Sending

How Marvelous, How Wonderful

I will build my house
Whether storm or drought
On the rock that does not move
I will set my hope
On Your love O Lord
And Your faithfulness will prove

You are steadfast, steadfast

By the word You spoke
All the starry host
Are called out by name each night
In Your watchful care
I will rest secure
As You lead us lead us with Your light

I will not trust
In the strength of kings
On Your promise I will stand
I will shout for joy
I will raise my voice
Hallelujah to the Lamb!

In the moment of emptiness
All was fulfilled
In the hour of darkness
Your light was revealed
In the presence of death
Your life was affirmed
In the absence of holiness
You are still God

Chorus x4

BENEDICTION

In the love of the God of life:
and the blessing of God almighty,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be among you, and remain with you always.

^{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

Especially for Grandparents - Sunday, March 18

Don't miss out on the ongoing meetings helping to empower grandparents to be more Intentional in influencing their grandkids spiritually. Next month's event will discuss "Grandparenting in Scary Times". All meetings held at 600 Ericksen Ave. Suite 210 directly following church. Lunch is provided. See you there on Sunday, March 18. Questions? Call Carolyn Gillick 360-621-1533

Men of CSC - We're changing it up! Tues, March 20 @

Bainbridge Island Brewery Starts at 5:30, we have reserved the upstairs space. Open to anyone who wants to come. Just show up at BIB. We will bring some pizza, The Grub Hut food truck will be there. Purchase your own beverages. Invite your friends!

Easter Week: Please join us as we celebrate Easter Week.

**Maundy Thursday - Messianic Seder Service March 29 at
CSC@ Ericksen 7PM,**

Good Friday service March 30 at BHS Commons 7PM,

Easter Sunday April 1 at 10AM at BHS Commons.

"Weeds to Flowers" Demonstrate our partnership with BHS!

Join in our annual "Weeds to Flowers" service project for BHS. Sat. March 31, 9am-11am. Mark your calendar now. Beautify our place of worship, bless our community and get to know others from Cross Sound. All ages welcome. Bring your garden tools and work gloves.

Kids, are you ready for an ADVENTURE this summer?

Grow in your relationship with God during Cross Sound Kids Camp at Island Lake! Enjoy swimming, rock climbing, archery, arts and crafts, low ropes course and lots of games. Best of all, campers will get to hear about God's love for them during Fireside skits/talks!

August 13-17, M-F, 9 am - 5 pm, Cost: \$150/child. Full or partial scholarships can be provided. Ages: Kids entering Kindergarten through 7th grade. Kids will be divided up into age-related groups. For those entering 5/6/7 grades... Extreme Adventure Activities (high ropes course, dirt bikes) are available for an additional fee.

Transportation plans TBA.

Questions? Contact Katie Fixter at kfixter5@gmail.com

Community Announcements

Denim & Diamonds Dinner Event Sat., March 17th 6:30-9:30

Wing Point Golf and Country Club. Share a meal with us as we invite you to invest in the life-changing work of Rescue:Freedom.

Guest Speakers: Dr. Dan Diamond and Del Chittim, COO Rescue:

Info and Tickets: <https://denimanddiamondsdinnerevent-rescuefreedom.eventbrite.com>

Questions: Tad Fairbank and Suzanne Freeborn 253-906-7500

CS Kids and Youth Group

Small Beginnings Nursery (new-2yrs) Room #234

Contact: Laura O'Connell, oconnells1908@yahoo.com. Children are invited to be dropped off at this class before the church service begins.

Cross Sound Kids:

Children will attend the worship portion of the service and then be sent to their classrooms as a whole Sunday school group.

Contact: Laura O'Connell, oconnells1908@yahoo.com or Katie Fixter, kfixter5@gmail.com

Little Kids (3-5yrs) Room #232

Kindergarten Room #231

First & Second grades Room #229

Third & Fourth grades Room #225

Fifth & Sixth grades Room #222

YOUTH GROUP

Junior High, Bainbridge High School Library

Senior High, Bainbridge High School Library

WEDNESDAYS 6:30-8pm – H.S. CSC Youth Group at the Brouwer's home: 8874 Battle Point Dr. NE. Bainbridge Island.

THURSDAYS 6:30-8pm – Jr. High CSC Youth Group at the Cross Sound Office: 600 Ericksen Ave. NE #210.

Contact Josh Brouwer at josh@crosssound.org with any questions or to be involved.

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

Second time visitor

Regular attendee

Interested in more info for:

_____ Ministry

Please add me to:

Email list Mailing list

Name(s): _____

Children & their ages: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number(s): _____

Email(s): _____

Prayer Requests: _____

If you have prayer requests or prayers of thanksgiving that you would like to share please email Penny@crosssound.org or indicate on the prayer request page and drop it in the offering basket. Our prayer team prays for these requests throughout the week.

NOTES:

PRAYERS FOR REFLECTION:

Prayer of those struggling with the truth:

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.