



Lord, please restore to us the comfort of merit and demerit. Show us that there is at least something we can do. Tell us that at the end of the day there will at least be one redeeming card of our very own. Lord, if it is not too much to ask, send us to bed with a few shreds of self-respect upon which we can congratulate ourselves. But whatever you do, do not preach grace. Give us something to do, anything; but spare us the indignity of this indiscriminate acceptance.

Robert Farar Capon

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 — Isaiah 49:8-9,13

Sing a new song to the LORD!

Let the whole earth sing to the LORD!

Sing to the LORD; bless his name.

Each day proclaim the good news that he saves.

Publish his glorious deeds among the nations.

Tell everyone about the amazing things he does.

Great is the LORD! He is most worthy of praise!

He is to be revered above all the gods.

The gods of other nations are merely idols,

but the LORD made the heavens!

Honor and majesty surround him;

strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

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.

Merciful God,

**we confess to you and to one another that
we have entered your presence with countless prayers
but with hearts that have been closed to your grace.**

**We have lifted our hands to you in praise,
but our feet have still walked in the ways of sin.**

**We know your commandments
but have refused to see your face in the needs of our neighbor.**

**We pray, Lord, that you forgive our lack of faith
and pardon our acts of injustice.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

All the prophets testify about Christ
that everyone who believes in him
receives forgiveness of sins through his name.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

— Acts 10:43

Renewing

In The Secret

In the secret, in the quiet place, In the stillness, You are there
In the secret, in the quiet hour I wait, Only for You, 'Cause I want to know You more

*I want to know You, I want to hear Your voice, I want to know You more
I want to touch You, I want to see Your face, I want to know You more*

I am reaching for the highest goal, That I might receive the prize
Pressing onward, pushing every hindrance aside, Out of my way, Cause I want to
know You more

Chorus

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

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.

Revelation —Third Day

My life has led me down the road that's so uncertain
Now I am left alone and I am broken trying to find my way
Trying to find the faith that's gone

This time I know that You are holding all the answers
I'm tired of losing hope and taking chances
On roads that never seem to be the ones that bring me home

*Give me a revelation, show me what to do
Cause I've been trying to find my way, I haven't got a clue
Tell me should I stay here or do I need to move
Give me a revelation, I've got nothing without You, I've got nothing without You*

My life has led me down this path that's ever winding
Through every twist and turn I'm always finding
That I am lost again, tell me when this road will ever end

Chorus

I don't know where I can turn, tell me when will I learn
Won't you show me where I need to go, Let me follow Your lead
I know that it's the only way that I can get back home

Chorus

ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

Please stand and introduce yourself to one another.

QUOTES:

“Envy is wanting to destroy what someone else has. Not just wanting it for yourself, but wanting other people not to have it. It’s a deep-rooted issue, where you are very, very resentful of another person’s wellbeing – whether that be their looks, their position or the car they have. — Author Unknown

‘Sin is often thought of as being motivated by the temptation for pleasure. But perhaps the real power of sin lies in the avoidance of pain and suffering. It is better to suffer unfulfilled needs and desires than to sin. Is this not what self-denial means?’ — Karen H Jobs

Envy arises because we are not grateful for how God has written our world or for how he has blessed us. Envy comes from a sense of inadequacy and emptiness rooted in our woundedness. — Dan Allender

‘The best way to train our eyes to see without envy is to take the grace of God as our interpretative key in all that we see or consider: others’ existence is a gift, as is mine; their life and all that is needed for life is a gift, and so is mine - and their life and their flourishing is a gift also to me.’ — Andrew Davison

MESSAGE SERIES: GENESIS

Text: Genesis 4:1-10

Title: The First Family

Speaker: Dave Sellers

Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, "I have gotten a man with the help of the LORD."² And again, she bore his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, and Cain a worker of the ground.³ In the course of time Cain brought to the LORD an offering of the fruit of the ground,⁴ and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering,⁵ but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his face fell.⁶ The LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen?⁷ If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is contrary to you, but you must rule over it."

Cain spoke to Abel his brother. And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him.⁹ Then the LORD said to Cain, "Where is Abel your brother?" He said, "I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?"¹⁰ And the LORD said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood is crying to me from the ground.

NOTES:

COMMUNION — Matthew 11:28-29

Jesus said, “Come to me,
all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest.
Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me;
for I am gentle and humble in heart,
and you will find rest for your souls.”

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



The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it,
the world, and those who live in it. — Psalm 24:1

Grace — Niki Shepherd, Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson

Your grace that leads this sinner home, From death to life forever
And sings the song of righteousness, By blood and not by merit
Your grace that reaches far and wide, To every tribe and nation
Has called my heart to enter in, The joy of Your salvation

*By grace I am redeemed, By grace I am restored
And now I freely walk into, The arms of Christ my Lord*

Your grace that I cannot explain, Not by my earthly wisdom
The prince of life, without a stain, Was traded for this sinner

Chorus

Let praise rise up and overflow, My song resound forever
For grace will see me welcomed home, To walk beside my Savior

Chorus x2

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”).

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, For ever. Amen.

Sending

Sing To The King

Sing to the King Who is coming to reign
Glory to Jesus, the Lamb that was slain
Life and salvation His empire shall bring
And joy to the nations when Jesus is King

*Come, let us sing a song
A song declaring we belong to Jesus
He is all we need
Lift up a heart of praise
Sing now with voices raised to Jesus
Sing to the King*

For His returning we watch and we pray
We will be ready the dawn of that day
We'll join in singing with all the redeemed
'Cause Satan is vanquished and Jesus is King

BENEDICTION — Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to him who by the power at work within us
is able to accomplish abundantly far more
than all we can ask or imagine,
to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus
to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Amen.

Announcements

Angel Tree Christmas Gifting is BACK! Provide a tangible gift of God's love for local kids and families of incarcerated parents/souses this Christmas by participating in our annual Angel Tree program.

SELECT A GIFT TAG from the tree at church services: November 4, 12, 19
(*Can't make it those Sundays? Email dede.knapp@hotmail.com for a gift request*)

DEADLINE to drop off all wrapped gifts to church office (preferred) or church service is December 12. (*Please email dede.knapp@hotmail.com with any questions or if you are able to help deliver gifts. We need delivery teams December 16-20.*)

TODAY: 5th-12th Corn Maze Fun Join us as we head to the Carpinito Brothers' corn maze and pumpkin patch. At the maze, 5-6th students will be in groups with an adult, 7-8th & H.S. students will be allowed to go in groups of 3+ while in the maze or visiting the pumpkin patch.



Nov 5: CS Kids, It's Peanut Butter Jelly Time! We will be collecting peanut butter and jelly/jam for the next couple of weeks, and caravanning our donations over to Helpine House right after church on Sunday, 11/5 - Join us! Donations can be brought Sunday mornings, or left in the marked bin table outside the church office.

Dec 9: Women's Advent Brunch - Save the Date for Saturday, Dec 9 at Island School. *Questions?* Email Ashley@CrossSound.org or visit bit.ly/crosssoundwomen

Pies For First Responders Do you love baking pies this time of year? If YES, you're invited to join Cross Sound's tradition of delivering pies to First Responders... any local fire/police station... any time. Thank you!

Women's Bible Study is studying "God of Creation: Genesis 1-11" by Jen Wilkin.

- Monday Evening 6:30 - 8:30 - Soup and Salad Dinner provided
- Wednesday Morning 9:30 - 11:30 - Breakfast Potluck & Childcare Provided

Shoes for Cuba The Cuba Missions team is collecting new youth and children--sized shoes/sneakers for their upcoming trip. Please drop-off at the church office!

Men's Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) Thursdays 6:30-8pm at the Church Office

Go to: bit.ly/joinBSF or follow QR Code to sign up. Questions? Contact Teague Parker at newpark@centurytel.net

GriefShare continues: Thursday mornings at the church office GriefShare is a Christ-centered, 11-week Program designed to help you rebuild your life. New participants welcome. *Contact Sue: 206-714-5986 or jimorsuemac@hotmail.com.*

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.