



A saint is someone who—
with however many faults,
crimes—leads us by example,
almost never by words,
to imagine the hardest
thing of all: the seamless
love of God for all creation,
including ourselves.



Reynolds Price

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 47:1-2, 5-6

Clap your hands, all you peoples;
shout to God with loud songs of joy.
For the LORD, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth.
God has gone up with a shout,
the LORD with the sound of a trumpet. Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our King, sing praises.

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.

**Forgive us, Lord, for everything that stains our life:
for the moodiness and irritability that make us difficult to live with,
for our insensitivity that makes us careless of the feelings of others,
for our selfishness that makes life harder for others.**
Forgive us, Lord, for everything that compromises our witness for you;
that we so often deny with our lives what we say with our lips;
for the examples in our lives that make it easier for people to criticize you
and your church. When we think of the messiness of our lives,
we thank you for Jesus, our Savior... Who forgives all of our sin,
sees us as righteous and delights in us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

“God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so
that everyone who believes in Him may not perish but may have eternal life.
Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world,
but in order that the world might be saved through Him.”

In the name of Jesus Christ, who forgives and forgets all of our sin...

— John 3:16-17

You are forgiven. Be at peace.

Come, Now Is The Time To Worship

*Come, now is the time to worship, Come, now is the time to give your heart
Come, just as you are to worship, Come, just as you are before your God... Come*

One day every tongue will confess you are God, One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains For those who gladly choose You now

Chorus

One day every tongue will confess you are God, One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains For those who gladly choose You now
Willingly we choose to surrender our lives, Willingly our knees will bow
With all our heart soul mind and strength, We gladly choose You now

Chorus

Oh God — The Citizens, Zach Bolen

In the valley, oh God, You're near, In the quiet, oh God, You're near
In the shadow, oh God, You're near, At my breaking, Oh God, You're near

Oh God, You never leave my side, Your love stands firm through all my life

In my searching, oh God, You're near, In my wandering, oh God, You're near
When I feel alone, oh God, You're near, At my lowest, oh God, You're near

Oh God, You never leave my side, Your love stands firm through all my life

Height nor depth nor anything else could pull us apart,
We are joined as one by Your blood
Hope will rise as we become more than conquerors through,
the One who loved the world (repeat)

Oh God, You never leave my side, Your love stands firm through all my life
Oh God, You never leave my side, Your love will stand firm through all my life
Oh God, You never leave my side, Your love stands firm through all my life

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.

Lead Me to the Cross — Brooke Ligertwood

Savior, I come, quiet my soul, remember
Redemption's hill, where Your blood was spilled for my ransom
Everything I once held dear I count it all as loss

*Lead me to the cross, Where Your love poured out,
Bring me to my knees, Lord, I lay me down
Rid me of myself, I belong to You, Oh, lead me, Lead me to the cross*

You were as I, tempted and tried, human
The Word became flesh, bore my sin and death, Now You're risen
Everything I once held dear, I count it all as loss

Chorus

Bridge: To your heart. To your heart.
Lead me to your heart. Lead me to your heart

Chorus

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF NEW ELDERS —
Mike Mizrahi, Humberto Roa and Andy Dafoe

ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

Please stand and introduce yourself to one another.

QUOTES:

'Faith...is the art of holding onto things your reason has once accepted, in spite of your changing moods.' — CS Lewis

"You can choose courage, or you can choose comfort, but you cannot choose both."
— Brene Brown

'The greatest sorrow and burden you can lay on the Father, the greatest unkindness you can do to him is not to believe that he loves you.' — John Owen

NOTES:

SERIES: GENESIS

Text: Genesis 12:10-20

Title: Faith with Fear

Title: Speaker: Dave Sellers

Now there was a famine in the land. So Abram went down to Egypt to sojourn there, for the famine was severe in the land. ¹¹ When he was about to enter Egypt, he said to Sarai his wife, “I know that you are a woman beautiful in appearance, ¹² and when the Egyptians see you, they will say, ‘This is his wife.’ Then they will kill me, but they will let you live. ¹³ Say you are my sister, that it may go well with me because of you, and that my life may be spared for your sake.” ¹⁴ When Abram entered Egypt, the Egyptians saw that the woman was very beautiful. ¹⁵ And when the princes of Pharaoh saw her, they praised her to Pharaoh. And the woman was taken into Pharaoh’s house. ¹⁶ And for her sake he dealt well with Abram; and he had sheep, oxen, male donkeys, male servants, female servants, female donkeys, and camels.

¹⁷ But the Lord afflicted Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai, Abram’s wife. ¹⁸ So Pharaoh called Abram and said, “What is this you have done to me? Why did you not tell me that she was your wife? ¹⁹ Why did you say, ‘She is my sister,’ so that I took her for my wife? Now then, here is your wife; take her, and go.” ²⁰ And Pharaoh gave men orders concerning him, and they sent him away with his wife and all that he had.

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").*

'If baptism is like a wedding, then communion is like a kiss. It's the reaffirmation of love. Christ comes close to reassure us of his love. He comes close to kiss us.'

—Tim Chester

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



So here's what I want you to do, God helping you:

Take your everyday, ordinary life—

your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—

and place it before God as an offering.

Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him.

— Romans 12:1

What A Beautiful Name It Is — Ben Fielding & Brooke Ligertwood

You were the Word at the beginning, One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation, Now revealed in You our Christ

*What a beautiful Name it is, What a beautiful Name it is,
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King
What a beautiful Name it is, Nothing compares to this,
What a beautiful Name it Is, the Name of Jesus*

You didn't want heaven without us, So Jesus, You brought heaven down
My sin was great, Your love was greater What could separate us now

*What a wonderful Name it is, What a wonderful Name it is,
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King
What a wonderful Name it is, Nothing compares to this,
What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus*

Death could not hold You, veil tore before You, You silence the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring, The praise of Your glory, For You are raised to life again
You have no rival, You have no equal, Now and forever God You reign
Yours is the kingdom, Yours is the glory, Yours is the Name above all names

*What a powerful Name it is, What a powerful Name it is,
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King
What a powerful Name it is, Nothing compares to this,
What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus
What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus,
What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus*

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

Glorious Day — Phil Wickham

I was buried beneath my shame, Who could carry that kind of weight?
It was my tomb 'Till I met You
I was breathing but not alive, all my failures I tried to hide,
It was my tomb 'Till I met You

*You called my name and I ran out of that grave
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day,
You called my name and I ran out of that grave
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day*

Now Your mercy has saved my soul, Now Your freedom is all that I know,
The old made new, Jesus, when I met You,

*You called my name and I ran out of that grave
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day,
You called my name and I ran out of that grave
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day*

I needed rescue, my sin was heavy, But chains break at the weight of Your glory
I needed shelter, I was an orphan, Now You call me a citizen of Heaven
When I was broken, You were my healing, Now Your love is the air I'm breathing
I have a future, my eyes are open...

*'Cause when You called my name, I ran out of that grave
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day,
You called my name and I ran out of that grave
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day*

BENEDICTION — Matthew 28:19-20

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And
remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Amen.

Announcements

September 28: Greg Abell's Celebration of Life at 2pm The Abell family has invited Cross Sound to a Celebration of life for Greg at Rolling Bay Presbyterian. His obituary is available here at bit.ly/GregAbellObituary

October 6: "The After Party: Toward Better Christian Politics" Join us Sunday mornings at 8:30am, beginning Oct 6 in the BHS Library for this 6 week video series and discussion group for people who know there's a better way to "do politics." This material is designed through "Christianity Today" to equip, encourage and engage across differences in light of the gospel promises. This course is an invitation, during these unique times, to radically recenter on Jesus, as the Presidential Election approaches.

November 2: Ensenada Fundraising Annual Auction Dinner: Save the Date!! Get your paddles ready - the annual auction is back - and you are invited! This event raises funds for the Ensenada Homebuilding trip. It's a lot of FUN, includes live and silent auction items, trivia, and dessert dash. Mexican-themed meal is provided (and it's gonna be delicious). Sign up details to follow soon.

The School of Discipleship Class: Practicing the Way Meet in the church office at 6 pm for dinner on Sunday evenings, followed by a short video and small group discussion on SabbathP lease RSVP to Katie at katiepearson@crosssound.org

Small Groups are places where meaningful relationships are developed, forming networks that provide support, inspiration, encouragement and accountability. They are places where one can be prayed for as well as pray for others. We're convinced that small groups are a part of every healthy church, which is why our goal is that we are not a church that has small groups, but rather a church of small groups. Email: info@crosssound.org if you're interested.

Women's Bible Study is studying "God of Covenant: Genesis 12-50" by Jen Wilkin. We will meet at the church office Monday Evenings 6:30-8:30 (Soup and Salad Dinner provided). and Wednesday Mornings 9:30-11:30 (Breakfast Potluck & Childcare gladly provided upon request). Questions? Visit Email Ashley@CrossSound.org or visit bit.ly/crosssoundwomen

Men's Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) is held Tuesday evenings at the CS Church Office. This years' focus is on the book of Revelation and our hope in Jesus' return. Questions? Email Tony Merritt - merritts.wa@gmail.com

October 19: 'Learning how to Talk Out Loud' with Dan Allender (PhD) This Men's Event is hosted by The Bainbridge Island Museum of Art (BIMA) from 8am-Noon on Oct 19. Dan is one of the founders of the Seattle School of Theology and Psychology where he served as president from 2002-2009. He's a therapist in private practice and teaching at the Allender Center.

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.