

# 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** — *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

## **Mighty to Save**

Everyone needs compassion, a love that's never failing  
Let mercy fall on us  
Everyone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Savior  
The hope of nations

Savior, He can move the mountains  
Our God is mighty to save  
He is mighty to save  
Forever, author of salvation  
He rose and conquered the grave  
Jesus conquered the grave

So take us as You find us, all our fears and failures  
Fill our lives again  
We give our lives to follow everything we believe in  
Now we surrender

Shine your light and let the whole world see, we're singing  
For the glory of the risen King, Jesus  
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For the glory of the risen King

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

How lovely is your dwelling place,  
O LORD of hosts!

My soul longs, yes, faints  
for the courts of the LORD;  
my heart and flesh sing for joy  
to the living God.

Even the sparrow finds a home,  
and the swallow a nest for herself,  
where she may lay her young,  
at your altars, O LORD of hosts,  
my King and my God.

Blessed are those who dwell in your house,  
ever singing your praise!

— Psalm 84:1-4

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*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.*

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# Renewing

## CONFESSION 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).*

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

**Father,**

**We are full of brokenness including sexual impurity.**

**Our thoughts are given over to sexual fantasies**

**and filling our minds and eyes with impure images,**

**our hearts are captured by romantic stories**

**in which we control others where they worship us alone.**

**Our hearts are used to using your gift of sexuality**

**for our own pleasure and selfish benefit,**

**instead of the holy purposes for you which you have designed it.**

**We are unable to think sinlessly about sexuality,**

**but we deceive ourselves into thinking**

**we are better than those who confess their sin openly.**

**Forgive us of our sins, and for believing that they are too big and ugly to be forgiven by you.**

**Amen.**

## RECEIVING OF GRACE

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.

The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation;

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin,

so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Amen

**Amen.**