



You will trust God
to the degree
you know you are
loved by Him.

Brennan Manning

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

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

Arise, O God, and Shine — *William Hurn, Music by Chris Miner*

Arise, O God, and shine in all Thy saving might,
And prosper each design to spread Thy glorious light;
Let healing streams of mercy flow that all the earth Thy truth may know.

Bring distant nations near to sing Thy glorious praise;
Let every people hear and learn Thy holy ways.
Reign, mighty God, assert Thy cause, and govern by Thy righteous laws.

Put forth Thy glorious power, that everyone may see
And earth present her store in converts born to Thee.
God, our own God, His Church will bless and fill the world with righteousness.

To God, the only Wise, the one immortal King,
Let hallelujahs rise from every living thing;
Let all that breathe on every coast praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of
God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable
his ways!

“For who has known the mind of the Lord,
or who has been his counselor?”

“Or who has given a gift to him
that he might be repaid?”

For from him and through him and to him are all things.
To him be glory forever. Amen. — Romans 11:33-36

Renewing

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

God,

We're weak and forgetful people,
easily distracted by the ups and downs of life.

We forget your kindness and live like
we have no hope for what's next. Forgive us.

Jesus, thank you that you never forgot your mission
of living, dying, and rising again for the joy set before you.

Thank you that we are that joy;
now fill us with your joy
and cause us to find great delight in you.

RECEIVING OF GRACE —1 Corinthians 15:3-4, 21-22

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received:
that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was
buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures,

For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the
dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

Amen

You Said

You said, "Ask and you will receive,
Whatever you need."

You said, "Pray and I'll hear from heaven,
And I'll heal your land."

You said Your glory will fill the earth,
Like water in the sea.

You said, "Lift up your eyes,
The harvest is here, your kingdom is near."

You said, "Ask and I'll give the nations to you."
Oh Lord, that's the cry of my heart!
Distant shores and the islands will see Your light
As it rises on us.

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.

I Lift My Eyes Up

I lift my eyes up
Up to the mountains
Where does my help come from?
My help comes from You
Maker of heaven
Creator of the earth

Oh, how I need you Lord
You are my only hope
You are my only prayer
So I will wait for You
To come and rescue me
Come and give me life

I Stand Amazed (How Marvelous, How Wonderful) — *Charles Hutchinson Gabriel*

I stand amazed in the presence
Of Jesus, the Nazarene
And wonder how He could love me
A sinner condemned unclean

For me it was in the garden
He prayed, "Not My will, but Thine"
He had no tears for His own griefs
But shed drops of blood for mine

*How marvelous, how wonderful
And my song shall ever be
How marvelous, how wonderful
Is my Savior's love for me*

He took my sins and my sorrows
He made them His very own
He bore the burden to Calvary
And suffered and died alone

When with the ransomed in glory
His face I at last shall see
'Twill be my joy through the ages
To sing of His love for me

LAMENTING — Lamentations 3:17-24 (The Message)

I gave up on life altogether.

I've forgotten what the good life is like.

I said to myself, "This is it. I'm finished.

GOD is a lost cause."

I'll never forget the trouble, the utter lostness,
the taste of ashes, the poison I've swallowed.

**I remember it all—oh, how well I remember—
the feeling of hitting the bottom.**

**But there's one other thing I remember,
and remembering, I keep a grip on hope:**

GOD'S loyal love couldn't have run out,
his merciful love couldn't have dried up.

They're created new every morning.

How great your faithfulness!

I'm sticking with GOD (I say it over and over).

He's all I've got left.

GOD proves to be good to the man who passionately waits,
to the woman who diligently seeks.

**It's a good thing to quietly hope,
quietly hope for help from GOD.**

GREETING

QUOTES:

'The people you eat with are the people you belong to.' — Lauren F Winner

'It is amazing in my own life that true friendship and community became possible to the degree that I was able to share my weaknesses with others. Often I became aware of the fact that in the sharing of my weaknesses with others, the real depths of my human brokenness and weakness and sinfulness started to reveal itself to me, not as a source of despair but as a source of hope. As long as I try to convince myself or others of my independence a lot of my energy is invested building up my own false self. But once I am able to truly confess my most profound dependence on others and on God, I can come in touch with my true self and a real community can develop.' — Henri JM Nouwen

'True community implies difference. A group of identikit people is not a community, it is a regiment.' — Jenny Taylor

Message

Series: A New Beginning: What Now?

Text: Acts 2:42-47, Revelation 7:9-10

Title: Core Value: We are a Multi-Generational Community

Speaker: Dave Sellers

And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³ And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵ And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰ and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

NOTES:

OFFERING

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

Great Rejoicing — *Thad Cockrell*
There's gonna be a great rejoicing

Troubles of this world will wither up and die
That river of tears made by the lonely someday will be dry
There's gonna be a great rejoicing

There's gonna be a great joy river

Questions of this world someday will be known
Who's robbing you of peace and who's the Giver
There's gonna be a great joy river

Someday you will find me guarded in His fortress
Open heart and singing, such a joyful sound
Someday we will gather in a grand reunion
The debts of this old world are nowhere to be found
Are nowhere to be found

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Gracious God, grant us the gift of repentance and faith,
so that our lives would conform to your wisdom and will;
For this, O Lord, we pray:
Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus, draw us deeper into the story of your redemption
so that the stories of our lives would bring life to your world;
For this, O Lord, we pray:
Lord, hear our prayer.

King of Kings, bring peace to Bainbridge, Poulsbo, Kitsap County and to all
nations as you spread your kingdom of truth and justice to the ends of the earth;
For this, O Lord, we pray:
Lord, hear our prayer.

Mighty Spirit, liberate your people from the snare of sin and suffering.
Grant rest, relief, healing, and comfort to all who are in need;
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.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory forever and ever,
Amen.

Sending

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

May the God of all grace,
who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ,
after you have suffered for a little while,
restore, support, strengthen, and establish you;
and the blessing of God almighty,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be among you, and remain with you always.

Amen

Amen.

Announcements

Sunday Morning Prayer Share a pastry and cup of coffee, catch up with friends, have a 5-minute encouraging devotional, and then pray. Pray for our church, our worship service, for our community and beyond. Join us all summer long at 9am in the HS library.

Save The Date AUGUST 1 All-Church Luncheon / AUGUST 29 Potluck Picnic
Dear friends, we miss you! We hope you can join us on Sunday, Aug. 1 for an all-church, catered luncheon, immediately following worship service. We have also planned a potluck at the Fay Bainbridge picnic structure, Sunday, Aug. 29, 4—8pm. We will provide the fried chicken, you bring a side to share! We look forward to spending time with you.

Children's Ministry

- Beginning Sunday, August 1st - an outdoor children's program will be offered for preschool-6th grade during the sermon. The Family Friendly Livestream room continues to be available for those with infants and toddlers. We're so glad those of you with children are joining us. They are an important part of our worship, they belong here, and their wiggles and noises are part of the energy God has given them. Feel free to quietly explain the parts of service, and allow them to learn how to worship by watching you.

Men's Ministry

- MEN'S RETREAT - Sign Up today! 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

Women's Ministry — July

- HIKE'N'STEIN RESCHEDULED: We have rescheduled our Hike'n'Stein outing to Saturday, August 7. Meet at church office parking lot at 9 AM; carpool to Central Market to pick up any Poulsbo area ppl at 9:20. Hike at Gold Creek Trail on Green Mountain (near Bremerton). Lunch/beverages at Slippery Pig in Poulsbo afterwards. RSVP by Aug 6 to kerri@crosssound.org
- 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

