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great for God's grace.  
There is no habit too  
big for His healing.  
There is no label too  
strong for his love.

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Craig Groeschel

# 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

CALL TO WORSHIP — Portions of Psalm 63:1-5

You, God, are my God,  
earnestly I seek you; I thirst for you.  
I have seen you in the sanctuary  
and beheld your power and your glory.  
Because your love is better than life,  
my lips will glorify you.  
I will praise you as long as I live,  
and in your name I will lift up my hands.  
With singing lips, my mouth will praise you.

# Renewing

CONFESSION OF SIN

*"It is fitting that by the confession of our own wretchedness, we show forth the goodness and mercy of our God, among ourselves and before the whole world." —John Calvin, 1536*

**Heavenly Father,**  
**Instead of worshipping, we worry.**  
**Instead of following you, we go our own way.**  
**Instead of living lives of freedom, generosity, and love by your grace, we often live in small, self-focused ways.**  
**Forgive us, once again,**  
**For our sinful attitudes, actions, and hearts.**  
**Rejuvenate and grow us in your grace.**  
**Fill us with a renewed hunger to walk with Jesus;**  
**And a bursting joy in Him, we pray.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

God made him who had no sin, to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. — 2nd Corinthians 5:21

Therefore, there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus... nothing can ever separate us from God's love. — Romans 8:1 & 38

If you have confessed your sins,  
seeking God's grace in God's Son,  
hear these glorious words again:

You are Forgiven!

**Amen.**

## **House of the Lord**

We worship the God who was, We worship the God who is,  
We worship the God who evermore will be  
He opened the prison doors, He parted the raging sea,  
My God, He holds the victory

*There's joy in the house of the Lord, There's joy in the house of the Lord today,  
And we won't be quiet, We shout out Your praise  
There's joy in the house of the Lord, Our God is surely in this place,  
And we won't be quiet, We shout out Your praise, We shout out Your praise*

We sing to the God who heals, We sing to the God who saves,  
We sing to the God who always makes a way  
He hung upon that cross, Then He rose up from that grave,  
My God's still rolling stones away

### *Chorus*

We were the beggars, Now we're royalty,  
We were the prisoners, Now we're running free  
We are forgiven, accepted, Redeemed by His grace,  
Let the house of the Lord sing praise  
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### *Chorus*

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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.

**Resurrecting** — Chris Brown, Mack Brock, Matthews Ntlele, Steven Furtick, Wade Joye  
The head that once was crowned with thorns, Is crowned with glory now  
The Savior knelt to wash our feet, Now at his feet we bow

The one who wore our sin and shame, Now robed in majesty,  
The radiance of perfect love, Now shines for all to see

*Your name, Your name, Is victory, All praise, Will rise, To Christ our king*

The fear that held us now gives way, To him who is our peace,  
His final breath upon the cross, Is now alive in me

*Your name, Your name, Is victory, All praise, Will rise, To Christ our king*  
*Your name, Your name, Is victory, All praise, Will rise, To Christ our king*

By your spirit I will rise, From the ashes of defeat,  
The resurrected king, Is resurrecting me  
In your name I come alive, To declare your victory,  
The resurrected king, Is resurrecting me

The tomb where soldiers watched in vain, Was borrowed for three days  
His body there would not remain, Our God has robbed the grave,  
Our God has robbed the grave

*Your name, Your name, Is victory, All praise, Will rise, To Christ our king*  
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By your spirit I will rise, From the ashes of defeat,  
The resurrected king, Is resurrecting me  
In your name I come alive, To declare your victory,  
The resurrected king, Is resurrecting me

## **His Eye Is On The Sparrow**

Why should I feel discouraged, why should the shadows come  
Why should my heart be lonely, and long for heaven and home  
When Jesus is my portion, My constant Friend is He  
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me

*I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free  
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me*

“Let not your heart be troubled,” His tender words I hear  
And resting on His goodness, I lose my doubts and fears  
Though by the path He leadeth, but one step I may see  
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me

*I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free  
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me*

## MISSIONS UPDATE

Shannon Roa --- Our Sister Church in Cuba

## ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

*Please stand and introduce yourself to one another.*

Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you. — 15:7 Romans

Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly  
love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart. —1Peter 1:22

## QUOTES:

“When you turn away from God, the only right thing to do is to go back to the  
place where you left Him and make a new beginning.”— William Wiersbe

“Someone has said that he is the God of the second chance. But he is even more  
gracious than this. He is the God, not merely of the second chance, but of the  
seventy-second chance or the hundred and seventy-second chance.”

— James Montgomery Boice

“If there's anything in life that we should be passionate about, it's the gospel. And  
I don't mean passionate only about sharing it with others; I mean passionate in  
thinking about the gospel, reflecting upon it, rejoicing in it, and allowing it to  
color the way we look at the world and all of life.” — C.J. Mahaney

“The victorious Christian life is a series of new beginnings.” — George Morrison

SERIES: GENESIS

**Text: Genesis 13:1-18**

**Title: A New Beginning!**

**Title: Speaker: Dave O'Connell**

So, Abram went up from Egypt to the Negev, with his wife and everything he had, and Lot went with him. <sup>2</sup> Abram had become very wealthy in livestock and in silver and gold. <sup>3</sup> From the Negev he went from place to place until he came to Bethel, to the place between Bethel and Ai where his tent had been earlier <sup>4</sup> and where he had first built an altar. There Abram called on the name of the Lord.

<sup>5</sup> Now Lot, who was moving about with Abram, also had flocks and herds and tents. <sup>6</sup> But the land could not support them while they stayed together, for their possessions were so great that they were not able to stay together. <sup>7</sup> And quarreling arose between Abram's herders and Lot's. The Canaanites and Perizzites were also living in the land at that time.

<sup>8</sup> So Abram said to Lot, "Let's not have any quarreling between you and me, or between your herders and mine, for we are close relatives. <sup>9</sup> Is not the whole land before you? Let's part company. If you go to the left, I'll go to the right; if you go to the right, I'll go to the left."

<sup>10</sup> Lot looked around and saw that the whole plain of the Jordan toward Zoar was well watered, like the garden of the Lord, like the land of Egypt. (This was before the Lord destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah.) <sup>11</sup> So Lot chose for himself the whole plain of the Jordan and set out toward the east. The two men parted company: <sup>12</sup> Abram lived in the land of Canaan, while Lot lived among the cities of the plain and pitched his tents near Sodom. <sup>13</sup> Now the people of Sodom were wicked and were sinning greatly against the Lord.

<sup>14</sup> The Lord said to Abram after Lot had parted from him, "Look around from where you are, to the north and south, to the east and west. <sup>15</sup> All the land that you see I will give to you and your offspring forever. <sup>16</sup> I will make your offspring like the dust of the earth, so that if anyone could count the dust, then your offspring could be counted. <sup>17</sup> Go, walk through the length and breadth of the land, for I am giving it to you."

<sup>18</sup> So Abram went to live near the great trees of Mamre at Hebron, where he pitched his tents. There he built an altar to the Lord.

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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.

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").*

Because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions — it is by grace you have been saved. — Ephesians 2:4-5

For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed..., but with the precious blood of Christ.— 1Peter 1:17-18

Christ Jesus has become for us... our righteousness, holiness, and redemption. Therefore, as it is written: "Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord."  
— 1st Corinthians 1:30

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](http://www.crosssound.org/give) • Stock: contact [bookkeeper@crosssound.org](mailto:bookkeeper@crosssound.org)
- Mail: Cross Sound Church PO Box 11748 or 600 Ericksen Ave NE #210, Bainbridge Is., WA 98110



As you excel in everything — in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you — see that you excel in this act of grace also. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

—2 Corinthians 8:7&9



## **Beautiful Things**

All this pain, I wonder if I'll ever find my way  
I wonder if my life could really change At all

All this earth, Could all that is lost ever be found?  
Could a garden come up from this ground, At all?

*You make beautiful things, You make beautiful things out of the dust  
You make beautiful things, You make beautiful things out of us*

All around, Hope is springing up from this old ground  
Out of chaos life is being found, In You

*You make beautiful things, You make beautiful things out of the dust  
You make beautiful things, You make beautiful things out of us*

You make me new  
You are making me new

## 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

**Graves Into Gardens** — Elevation Worship, Brandon Lake

I searched the world, But it couldn't fill me,  
Man's empty praise, and treasures that fade, are never enough  
Then You came along, And put me back together,  
And every desire, is now satisfied, Here in Your love

*Oh there's nothing better than You, There's nothing better than You  
Lord there's nothing, Nothing is better than You*

I'm not afraid To show You my weakness  
My failures and flaws, Lord You've seen them all, And You still call me friend  
Cause the God of the mountain, Is the God of the valley  
There's not a place Your mercy and grace, Won't find me again

*Oh there's nothing better than You, There's nothing better than You  
Lord there's nothing, Nothing is better than You (Repeat)*

You turn mourning to dancing, You give beauty for ashes,  
You turn shame into glory, You're the only one who can  
You turn mourning to dancing, You give beauty for ashes,  
You turn shame into glory, You're the only one who can,  
You turn graves into gardens You turn bones into armies,  
You turn seas into highways, You're the only one who can  
You're the only one who can

*Oh there's nothing better than You, There's nothing better than You  
Lord there's nothing, Nothing is better than You*

You turn graves into gardens, You turn bones into armies,  
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You turn seas into highways You're the only one who can  
You're the only one who can, You're the only one who can

**BENEDICTION** — Ephesians 3:20-21 (NLT)

Now all glory to God, who is able,  
through His mighty power at work within us,  
to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or imagine.  
Glory to him in the church and in Christ Jesus  
forever and ever! Amen.

**Amen.**

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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

**The School of Discipleship Class: Study on Sabbath** Meet in the church office at 6 pm for dinner on Sunday evenings, followed by a short video and small group discussion. Tonight's topic: DELIGHT

**October 6: "The After Party: Toward Better Christian Politics"** Join us Sunday mornings at 8:15am, 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.

**October 12: Memorial Service for Dave Martin** you are invited to Kings Chapel at Crista Ministries 19303 Fremont Ave N, Seattle to celebrate the life of Dave Martin

**Oct 19: "Learning how to Talk Out Loud—the Discipline of Querying the Soul" with Dan Allender (PhD)** This Men's Event is hosted by the Bainbridge Island Museum of Art from 8am-Noon on Oct 19. Dan is a private practice therapist and teaches at the Allender Center, and is a founder of the Seattle School of Theology and Psychology where he served as president from 2002-09.

## **November 2: Ensenada Fundraising Annual Auction Dinner: Sign Up Now!**

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). Interested involunteering? email [dede.knapp@hotmail.com](mailto:dede.knapp@hotmail.com)



**November 16: FIRST AID ARTS Annual Benefit Dinner!** Join us Saturday, Nov 16 at 415 Westlake in Seattle. Come feast and support Cross Sound's partner ministry First Aid Arts helping bring "beautiful healing" to survivors of trauma locally and in 70+ countries. We will enjoy Syrian cuisine, live music by Steve Hall, and celebrate 15 years together! Tickets/Info: [www.firstaidarts.org](http://www.firstaidarts.org)

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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: \_\_\_\_\_

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We hope these are helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and His people, the church.

## 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.*