



We're all born into  
this world looking for  
someone who is looking  
for us. Not just one time,  
but over and over and  
over again.

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Curt Thompson

# 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

CALL TO WORSHIP — Psalm 24:7-10

Lift up your heads, O gates!  
And be lifted up, O ancient doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?  
The LORD, strong and mighty,  
the LORD, mighty in battle!

Lift up your heads, O gates!  
And lift them up, O ancient doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?  
The LORD of hosts,  
he is the King of glory!

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.*

**God, we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**We confess and repent.**

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

# Renewing

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

May God, our Father, who delights in you,  
forgive you your sins, free from the darkness of regret,  
and call you into a world made new. **Amen**

### **Treasures** — *Kawika and Jenny Haglund*

You know the grace of our Lord  
That though He was rich  
Yet for your sake, became poor

Treasure the Lord above all else  
Look to the cross, how He treasured you

Emptied Himself, became nothing  
The nature of a servant  
Humbled Himself to death

### **His Mercy is More** — *Matt Boswell and Matt Papa*

What love could remember no wrongs we have done  
Omniscient, all knowing, he counts not their sum  
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore  
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

*Praise the Lord, His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness, new every morn  
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more*

What patience would wait as we constantly roam  
What father, so tender, is calling us home  
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor  
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

What riches of kindness he lavished on us  
His blood was the payment, his life was the cost  
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford  
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

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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.

**King of Glory** — *David Gate*

Your face outshines the brightest sun  
Jesus You're glorious, You are so glorious  
With eyes that blaze like burning fire  
Jesus You're glorious, You are so glorious

*King of glory, have Your glory*  
*King of glory, have Your glory*

Your voice like rushing waters sounds  
Jesus You're powerful, You are so powerful  
And in Your hands You hold the stars  
Jesus You're powerful, You are so powerful

ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

SONG OF PREPARATION

**Speak, O Lord** — *Getty/Townend*

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You  
To receive the food of Your holy word  
Take Your Truth, plant it deep in us  
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness  
That the light of Christ might be seen today  
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith  
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us  
All Your purposes for Your glory

NOTES:

MESSAGE SERIES: HOW PEOPLE CHANGE

**Text: 1 Corinthians 2:6-16**

**Title: Wisdom**

**Speaker: Dave Sellers**

Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. <sup>7</sup> But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. <sup>8</sup> None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. <sup>9</sup> But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,  
nor the heart of man imagined,  
what God has prepared for those who love him”—

these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. <sup>11</sup> For who knows a person's thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. <sup>12</sup> Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God. <sup>13</sup> And we impart this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who are spiritual.

The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. <sup>15</sup> The spiritual person judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one. <sup>16</sup> “For who has understood the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ.

QUOTES:

*‘The best way to guard your heart for wisdom is worship, in which the mouth, the mind, the imagination, and even the body are all orientated to God.’ —Timothy Keller*

*‘What is more demeaning to God, what is more shameful - getting born or dying? To carry flesh or to carry a cross? To be circumcised or be hanged? To be fed at the breast or to be buried?...But you will not be wise unless, by believing God's “foolish things,” you have become foolish in this age.’ —Tertullian (155-220 AD)*

*‘Wisdom is to see things through as many other eyes as possible, through the Word of God and through the eyes of your friends, of people from other races, classes, and political viewpoints, and of your critics.’ —Timothy Keller*

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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.





**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

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, which 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 and ever. Amen.**

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Offering is a way for members and friends of Cross Sound 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](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



# Sending

**Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me** — *City Alight*

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer,  
There is no more for heaven now to give  
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom  
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace

*To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus, For my life is wholly bound to his  
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me*

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken  
For by my side, the Saviour He will stay  
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing  
For in my need, His power is displayed

*To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me, Through the deepest valley He will lead  
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome! Yet not I, but through Christ in me*

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven  
The future sure, the price it has been paid  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon  
And He was raised to overthrow the grave

*To this I hold, my sin has been defeated, Jesus now and ever is my plea  
Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me*

With every breath, I long to follow Jesus  
For He has said that He will bring me home  
And day by day I know He will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne

*To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus, All the glory evermore to Him  
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat: Yet not I, but through Christ in me!*

BENEDICTION — Jude 24-25

Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling  
and to present you blameless before the presence of His glory with great joy,  
to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever.

**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

**Last Call for Wreaths + Greens!** Decorate your home this Christmas with fresh, locally made wreaths and garlands. Purchases benefit the Deacon's fund which supports the local community. Purchase / more info at [www.crosssound.org/events](http://www.crosssound.org/events). TODAY is the last day to order!



**Homelessness 101 Class & Lunch: After Church on November 27** Addressing the question, "How can we love and serve our homeless neighbors?" Union Gospel Mission will lead us through this class with in-person training, videos, testimony, and a Q&A time. *Please RSVP to Dave O'C at [dave@crosssound.org](mailto:dave@crosssound.org)*

**5th-8th Youth Ministry Event: TODAY!** Join Cross Sound Youth as we head to Defy in Silverdale for jumping fun! We will meet at the BHS flagpole at 12:00 pm and we will stop off on the way for lunch, so bring lunch money. We will be back at the BHS flagpole at 4:15 pm.

**Socks & Underwear, Socks and Underwear!** Cross Sound Youth is doing its annual Warm Winter Sock & Underwear Drive. We are looking to gather 200 pairs of new warm winter socks and underwear which will be part of our gift bags for the homeless this winter. Donations can be dropped at our office (600 Ericksen Ave. N.E., B.I) in a bin outside the office door or at church. The drive ends on November 28nd. Thank you!

**Annual Giving Thanks Service: November 27** Every year, on the Sunday after Thanksgiving, when the Ensenada Homebuilding Team has returned, we have an open mic service, inviting the entire congregation to share what they are Thankful for this Season.

**Women's Advent Brunch: December 3 at 10am at Island School on Day Rd**  
*Please inform [Ashley@crosssound.org](mailto:Ashley@crosssound.org) if you are interested in attending this annual tradition, and/or if you are willing and able to bring a food item to share or help with set-up and tear down. We look forward to celebrating the beginning of the holiday season with you!*



**Children's Christmas Pageant** We are preparing for annual CS Kids event and are looking for a Pageant Leader, and helpers for costumes, music, set work, snacks, etc. *If you are interested in helping, email [Bobbi@crosssound.org](mailto:Bobbi@crosssound.org)*



If you have any announcements that you would like included in the bulletin, please email [Kristin@crosssound.org](mailto: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): \_\_\_\_\_

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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.*