



The central basis of
Christian assurance
is not how much
our hearts are set
on God, but how
unshakably His heart
is set on us.

—

Tim Keller

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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For a copy of the directory, or to learn more about the entire staff and our team of Elders, Deacons, International Ministers and Community Group Leaders, visit crosssound.org call our office: (206) 842-6898 or email info@crosssound.org

As we gather to worship, please silence all mobile phones and devices for the duration of the service.

Gathering

CALL TO WORSHIP — From Psalm 9

I will give thanks to you, Lord, with all my heart;
I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.
I will be glad and rejoice in you;
I will sing the praises of your name.
Sing the praises of the Lord,
Proclaim among the nations what he has done.

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.

Heavenly Father,
It's with wonder over your grace and love,
that we now come to you.
We know that in Christ we are loved completely,
but we still regularly, and foolishly, turn away from you.
Forgive us, Father.
For our sinful actions, attitudes, and hearts.
Grow us in the grace of Jesus, and enable us to
walk more closely and joyfully with Him.
We pray this in Jesus' name,
Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his love for those who fear him.
As far as the east is from the west,
so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

—Psalm 103:11-12

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail) — Hillsong United

You call me out upon the waters, the great unknown where feet may fail
And there I find You in the mystery, In oceans deep, My faith will stand

*And I will call upon Your name,
And keep my eyes above the waves, when oceans rise
My soul will rest in your embrace,
For I am Yours and You are mine*

Your grace abounds in deepest waters, Your sovereign hand, Will be my guide
Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me, You've never failed and you won't start
now

Chorus

Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders
Let me walk upon the waters Wherever You would call me
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander
And my faith will be made stronger In the presence of my Savior
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Chorus x2

Mighty to Save — Hillsong

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

Chorus

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

Chorus x2

Jesus Anthem / Great Are You Lord — Phil Wickham

So many reasons, too many to count,
to say that I love You to worship You now
Your love is perfect - and Your heart is kind,
I'm Yours forever, forever You're mine

*Jesus, the anthem of my heart, Jesus the anchor of my soul,
I'm overwhelmed by all You are, Oh, how I love You*

You call me beloved and You call me friend
Your grace says I'm worthy, You welcome me in
Now all that I long for and all that I need
Is to be in Your presence Forever I fall at Your feet

Chorus x2

Faithful to the end - God You are always good.
Where do I begin - There's so many reasons to love You
Your promise never breaks - Your beauty never fades,
What else can I say - There's so many reasons to love you
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Chorus x2

All the earth will shout Your praise,
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing, Great are You, Lord (repeat)

It's Your breath in our lungs, So we pour out our praise, We pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs, So we pour out our praise to You only
It's Your breath in our lungs, So we pour out our praise, We pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs So we pour out our praise to You only
Great are you Lord
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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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

Please stand and introduce yourself to one another.

Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you.

— Romans 15:7

Love one another deeply from the heart.

— 1Peter 1:22

NOTES:

With the exception of the nursery, all students begin in the worship service. Upon dismissal students may proceed to their individual classes: Nursery Rm 234, Preschool Rm 232, K-1st Rm 231, 2-4th Rm 229, 5-6th Rm 231.

MESSAGE

Series: On the Road with Jesus

Text: Luke 19:11-24

Sermon Title: Gospel Investing

Speaker: Dave O'Connell

While they were listening to this, he went on to tell them a parable, because he was near Jerusalem and the people thought that the kingdom of God was going to appear at once. ¹² He said: "A man of noble birth went to a distant country to have himself appointed king and then to return. ¹³ So he called ten of his servants and gave them ten minas. 'Put this money to work,' he said, 'until I come back.'

¹⁴ "But his subjects hated him and sent a delegation after him to say, 'We don't want this man to be our king.'

¹⁵ "He was made king, however, and returned home. Then he sent for the servants to whom he had given the money, in order to find out what they had gained with it.

¹⁶ "The first one came and said, 'Sir, your mina has earned ten more.'

¹⁷ "'Well done, my good servant!' his master replied. 'Because you have been trustworthy in a very small matter, take charge of ten cities.'

¹⁸ "The second came and said, 'Sir, your mina has earned five more.'

¹⁹ "His master answered, 'You take charge of five cities.'

²⁰ "Then another servant came and said, 'Sir, here is your mina; I have kept it laid away in a piece of cloth. ²¹ I was afraid of you, because you are a hard man. You take out what you did not put in and reap what you did not sow.'

²² "His master replied, 'I will judge you by your own words, you wicked servant! You knew, did you, that I am a hard man, taking out what I did not put in, and reaping what I did not sow? ²³ Why then didn't you put my money on deposit, so that when I came back, I could have collected it with interest?'

²⁴ "Then he said to those standing by, 'Take his mina away from him and give it to the one who has ten minas.'

OFFERING — *Offering is a way for members and friends 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 • Stock: contact_bookkeeper@crosssound.org
- Mail: Cross Sound Church PO Box 11748 or 600 Ericksen Ave NE #210, Bainbridge Is., WA 98110



Each one must give as he has decided in his heart.
Not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.
And God is able to make all grace abound to you,
so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times,
you may abound in every good work.

— 2 Corinthians

How Deep The Father's Love For Us — Hill Song United

How deep the Father's love for us
How vast beyond all measure
That He would give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure

How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the chosen One
Bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers

It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything
No gifts, no powers, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection

Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom

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").

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

Sing to the Lord, praise His name; proclaim His salvation day after day.

—Psalm 96:2

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

The Passion — Hillsong

The passion of our Saviour, The mercy of our God
The cross that leaves question, Of the measure of His love

*Our chains are gone, Our debt is paid, The cross has over thrown the grave
For Jesus' blood that sets us free, Means death to death And life for me*

The Innocent judged guilty, While the guilty one walks free
Death would be His portion, And our portion liberty

Chorus

I give my whole life To honour this love By the Lamb who was slain, I'm forgiven
The sinner's Saviour, Crown Him forever, For the Lamb who was slain, He is risen
I give my whole life To honour this love By the Lamb who was slain, I'm forgiven
The sinner's Saviour, Crown Him forever, For the Lamb who was slain, He is risen

Chorus

BENEDICTION — 1st Corinthians 15:58

Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters, be steadfast, immovable,
always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing
that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

Amen.

Announcements

March 5: Ash Wednesday at 7pm Join us at the CS Office (600 Ericksen Ave NE, Suite 210) for our annual (family-friendly!) Ash Wednesday Service. Many associate Ash Wednesday with Roman Catholicism; but it's also commonly practiced by Protestants. Ash Wednesday is the beginning of Lent, the 40 days leading up to Easter and at its core is getting deeper the gospel: gospel dynamics, gospel application, and gospel stories in our lives. We look forward to seeing you!

March 16, 23 & 30: Marriage Round Table: Dan and Becky Allender are planning to lead two of our three weeks together based on their new book, "*The Deep Rooted Marriage: Cultivating Intimacy, Healing, and Delight*". Join Dave Sellers Sunday evenings for dinner and discussion 6-7:45pm, March 16, 23 and 30 at the CSC office (600 Ericksen Ave NE). RSVP to dave@crosssound.org

March 30: Women's Retreat at Islandwood Join us for "A Spacious Place" from Saturday, March 29 at 5PM to Sunday, March 30 at 3PM. Register at bit.ly/CSCWomensRetreat2025 or email Ashley@CrossSound.org with questions.

May 9-10: Men's Retreat: Paul Schuler is planning on speaking on "Walking With God" at Discovery Bay (YWAM camp) in Port Townsend, May 9 - 10 (with an optional day on the 11th--though we're not interfering with Mother's Day!)

May 23-26: Cross Sound Family Camp We're headed to Young Life Camp at Washington Family Ranch in Oregon. Live it up with your family on the zip line, go carts, pool, blob, skatepark, rock climbing, Family Club and more. What a time to grow closer to each other and closer to God. Memorial Day Weekend - May 23-26 - And our church is subsidizing the cost so you will only pay \$100 per person! Join us! For registration info email: Brooke.wellman@yahoo.com

CSC Community Service We are launching a program to place our church in volunteer roles that meet pressing needs, create relational opportunities outside CSC, and support fulfilling your callings in Christ that will bring you JOY. Please fill out our volunteer form using the QR code or contact Leigh Ann Grady at communityservice@crosssound.org.

Men's Ministry: Bible Study Fellowship Tuesdays at 6:30pm at the Church office. Sign up at www.joinbsf.org or email Tony at merritts.wa@gmail.com. For centuries, people have attempted to unlock the mysteries of Revelation. In this, "The Study of Revelation: Discover Faith, Hope, and Joy", we are given hope of a world made new by the redemption and restoration that Jesus offers today and for eternity. Come try our study!

Member Directory Trying to connect with someone? Email info@crosssound.org

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: _____

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.