



God sees us as we are,
loves us as we are, and
accepts us as we are.

But by His grace,
He does not leave us
as we are.

—

Timothy 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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Renewing

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. — 1 John 1:8-9 (NIV)

He is so rich in kindness and grace that he purchased our freedom with the blood of his Son and forgave our sins. — Ephesians 1:7 (NLT)

Steadfast — *Sandra McCracken*

I will build my house, Whether storm or drought, On the rock that does not move,
I will set my hope, On Your love O Lord, And Your faithfulness will prove

You are steadfast, steadfast

By the word You spoke, All the starry host, Are called out by name each night,
In Your watchful care, I will rest secure, As You lead us lead us with Your light

I will not trust, In the strength of kings, On Your promise I will stand,
I will shout for joy, I will raise my voice, Hallelujah to the Lamb!

In the moment of emptiness, All was fulfilled
In the hour of darkness, Your light was revealed
In the presence of death, Your life was affirmed
In the absence of holiness, You are still God

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.

He Will Hold Me Fast — *Ada Habershon, Matt Merker*

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold, Through life's fearful path,
For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.

*He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast!*

Those He saves are His delight; Christ will hold me fast.
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last.
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.

For my life He bled and died; Christ will hold me fast.
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
'Til our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last!

Rising Sun — *All Sons and Daughters*

Praise Him all you sinners, Sing oh sing you weary
Oh praise Him all you children of God
We lift high His glory, Shown throughout our stories
We praise Him as the children of God

*Our Great Redeemer, Glorious Savior
Your name is higher than the rising sun
Light of the morning, You shine forever
Your name is higher than the rising sun
Your name is higher than the rising sun*

Praise His name forever, Speak it loud and clear now
Oh praise Him all you children of God

*Our Great Redeemer, Glorious Savior
Your name is higher than the rising sun
Light of the morning, You shine forever
Your name is higher than the rising sun
Your name is higher than the rising sun*

Hallelujah name above all
Simply to speak Your name is praise
Hallelujah I will always forever
We lift your name in praise

ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you.

— Romans 15:7

Love one another deeply from the heart.

— 1Peter 1:22

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

QUOTES:

We must ponder and be consumed with the thought of his sacrificial love, mercy, and grace. May we never think that pondering the Almighty's love is only for beginners. No one ever moves past the need to learn and then relearn this over and over again and to let it be the one defining truth of all of life!" — Elyse Fitzpatrick

"If there's anything in life 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

"If ever there were a true 'just as I am' church, if ever there were a community where everybody could bring all their baggage and brokenness with them without neat and tidy happy endings quite yet, if ever there was a group where everyone was loved and no one pretended --- we could not make enough room inside the building." — John Ortberg

MESSAGE SERIES: A MAN CALLED LOVE

Title: Glory & Love

Text: John 13:30-38

Speaker: Dave O'Connell

When Judas was gone, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man is glorified and God is glorified in him. ³² If God is glorified in him, God will glorify the Son in himself, and will glorify him at once.

³³ "My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come.

³⁴ "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

³⁶ Simon Peter asked him, "Lord, where are you going?"

Jesus replied, "Where I am going, you cannot follow now, but you will follow later."

³⁷ Peter asked, "Lord, why can't I follow you now? I will lay down my life for you."

³⁸ Then Jesus answered, "Will you really lay down your life for me? Very truly I tell you, before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times!

NOTES:

THE LORD'S SUPPER

This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

— 1John 4:9-10

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

Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ? Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body.

— 1Corinthians 10:16-17

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
- Stock: contact bookkeeper@crosssound.org
- Mail: Cross Sound Church PO Box 11748 or 600 Ericksen Ave NE #210, Bainbridge Is., WA 98110



Then the people rejoiced because they had offered so willingly, for they made their offering to the Lord with a whole heart.

— 1Chronicles 29:9

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").

Near The Cross — *Words: Fanny Crosby; Music: William B. Bradbury, 1869*

Jesus, keep me near the cross,
There a precious fountain—
Free to all, a healing stream—
Flows from Calv'ry's mountain.

*In the cross, in the cross, Be my glory ever;
Till my raptured soul shall find, Rest beyond the river.*

Near the cross, a trembling soul,
Love and Mercy found me;
There the bright and morning star
Sheds its beams around me.

Near the cross! O Lamb of God,
Bring its scenes before me;
Help me walk from day to day,
With its shadows o'er me.

Near the cross I'll watch and wait
Hoping, trusting ever,
Till I reach the golden strand,
Just beyond the river.

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.**

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 — 2 Corinthians 13:14

May the love of the Father,
The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,
And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
Be with you all.

Amen.

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

Intro to Cross Sound Church: Jan 29, Feb 5, 12, 26, NOON at the BHS Library.

What do we believe as a church? What is our theology, vision, mission? Where is God taken us and where is God leading us? This is a four week class that is required for church membership but in no way obligates you to become a member. In fact, why do we even have church membership? Come and find out more about Cross Sound Church. Email dave@crosssound.org with questions.

Summer in the USA Basque exchange program: For anyone interested in hosting a Basque high school student for the month of July. If you are interested in participating or praying for the program, email crosssound@summerintheusa.org.

Women's Bible Study Join us at the church office this week! This winter we are studying "James: Mercy Triumphs" by Beth Moore.

Monday Evening 6:30 - 8:30 - Soup and Salad Dinner provided

Wednesday Morning 9:15 - 11:15 - Breakfast Potluck & Childcare Provided

Questions? Email Ashley@CrossSound.org or visit bit.ly/crosssoundwomen

13-week GriefShare Program Begins in March If you have lost a spouse, child, family member or friend, you have probably found there may not be many people who can't understand the pain of this loss for you. It can affect your outlook on life, your health, cause confusion, raise questions about your mental health and about things you have never faced. It could have happened years ago or recently. GriefShare groups meet weekly to help you face these challenges and begin rebuilding your life. For info and/or registration contact Sue MacFarlane 206-714-5986 or jimorsuemac@hotmail.com. Please provide name and contact info.

Opportunities for leadership and service Like a family, we each have a strengths that complement one another and are necessary to build relationships within the church and community. Will you share your strength with us? Currently our greatest needs for volunteers are:

- Sunday Morning Greeters - all you need is a ready smile and a strong handshake!
- Sound Crew Support - though we have a sound crew in place, there are times when we need a team to solve problems. If you are interested in learning the system, so you may be called upon in emergencies, let us know!
- Sunday School teachers - We have a wonderful group of students, eager to learn laugh and engage with God's Word. Would you consider being a part of this ministry? Many hands make light work, so we are inviting everyone to consider this opportunity: the more volunteers we have, the lighter the load on individuals.

Email kristin@crosssound.org if you are interested in volunteering! Thank you

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: _____

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.