

God wants you naked because He wants to cloth you. God wants you to enter into your heartache because He wants to bring you a taste of joy. So often we believe God is just trying to get us to conform, when really what He is committed to is your unbelievable transformation. If we could only enter the depths of God's love we would find our lives deeply changed.

Dan Allender

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

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 95:1-2

Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

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.

Jesus, you sat at the table with outcasts, prostitutes, sinners. We confess that too often our words and actions are not consistent with our beliefs.

We often ignore the needy, show indifference to the lonely, and reject those who seem different from us.

Forgive us, we pray.

Empower us to reach out in love and acceptance through your name.

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE —Psalm 145:13-14,

The LORD is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds. The LORD upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

Renewing

I Will Change Your Name — D.J. Butler I will change your name. You shall no longer be called Wounded, Out - cast, Lonely or Afraid

I will change your name. Your new name shall be Confidence, Joyfulness, Overcoming One...

Faithfulness, Friend of God, One who seeks my face.

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!

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

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS! Vows for New Members

- 1. Do you acknowledge yourselves to be a sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope except in His sovereign mercy?
- 2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation?
- 3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as followers of Christ?
- 4. Do you promise to support the church in its worship and work to the best your ability?
- 5. Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the church, and promise to promote its purity and peace?

Vows for the Congregation

Will you, as part of Cross Sound Church, welcome these new members, encouraging them and befriending them, to the best of your ability?

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

QUOTES:

"Made for spirituality, we wallow in introspection. Made for joy, we settle for pleasure. Made for justice, we clamor for vengeance. Made for relationship, we insist on our own way. Made for beauty, we are satisfied with sentiment. But new creation has already begun. The sun has begun to rise. Christians are called to leave behind, in the tomb of Jesus Christ, all that belongs to the brokenness and incompleteness of the present world ... That, quite simply, is what it means to be Christian: to follow Jesus Christ into the new world, God's new world, which he has thrown open before us." — N.T. Wright

'Edwards teaches us, then, of the God-centredness of all joy in this fallen world. He reminds us that the formula of joy is not God and ______ so much as God in _____. Christ is not one more element to fit into an already packed schedule - one more item on a growing list of priorities. Knowing Christ means seeing all of life in a new way, with new glasses. Jesus Christ gives meaning to all properties, not only heading the list but coloring every one with new and exciting meaning. To become a Christian is to make all of life sacramental. "From him and though him and to him are all things" (Rom.11:36). True joy derives not from God and job, family, sex, friends, food, rest, driving, buying a home, reading a book, drinking coffee - but from God in these things.'— Dane C Ortlund

MESSAGE SERIES: A MAN CALLED LOVE

Text: John 16:16-24 Title: The New World Speaker: Dave Sellers

"A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me." 17 So some of his disciples said to one another, "What is this that he says to us, 'A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'; and, 'because I am going to the Father'?" 18 So they were saying, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We do not know what he is talking about." 19 Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, "Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, 'A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me'? 20 Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. 21 When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. ²² So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you. 23 In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. ²⁴ Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

QUOTES:

COMMUNION

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



As God's dear children, then, take him as your pattern, and follow Christ by loving as he loved you, giving himself up for us as an offering and a sweet-smelling sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5:1-2

Give Me Jesus — *Traditional African-American Arr. by Fernando Ortega* In the morning when I rise, In the morning when I rise, In the morning when I rise give me Jesus.

Give me Jesus, give me Jesus. You can have all this world, But give me Jesus.

And when I am alone, Oh, and when I am alone, And when I am alone give me Jesus.

And when I come to die, Oh, and when I come to die, And when I come to die, give me Jesus.

You can have all this world, You can have all this world, You can have all this world, But give me Jesus.

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").

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 outr debtors. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever. Amen.

Sending

Satisfied — Karl Digerness
All my life long I had panted
For a drink from some cool spring
That I hoped would quench the burning
Of the thirst I felt within.

Hallelujah! He has found me The One my soul so long has craved Jesus satisfies all my longings Through his blood I now am saved

Poor I was and sought for riches Something that would satisfy. But the dust I gathered 'round me Only mocked my soul's sad cry

Well of water ever springing Bread of Life so rich and free. Untold wealth that never faileth My Redeemer is to me.

BENEDICTION — based on Colossians 3:12-14

As God's own, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, and patience, forgiving each other

Announcements

Seeking volunteer to help beautify Easter Service do you have a knack for flower arrangements, a willing heart and the time to help? If so, we're seeking volunteers and a project lead, tp create Easter wreaths, a garland for cross and centerpiece for communion table. Interested? Email: kristin@crosssound.org

Easter Activities Mark your calendar for Holy Week at Cross Sound Church!

- PALM SUNDAY: April 2: CS Kids Palms Procession at the opening of service
- MAUNDY THURSDAY: April 6 at 7pm at the Church Office
- GOOD FRIDAY: April 7 at 7pm at the High School Theater
- FREE EGG DASH April 8 at 9:30am at Woodward School Field: 0-5th grade
- EASTER SUNDAY: April 9 at 10am: followed by an Eagledale Park potluck

Confirmation Class: April 30, May 7, May 14, May 21 (Baptism option Sunday June 11)

Every spring we offer this opportunity to our 5th – 8th graders to learn more about what we believe and why we believe it. We also offer this course as a preparation for baptism for those who have not yet had that opportunity. For more information contact bobbi@crosssound.org

Worship Position Available: CSC is in search of a lead musician who is passionate and gifted in leading worship and inviting other musicians to be part of the team. For a job description please email: info@crosssound.org

Upcoming Mission Trip to Mexico City We will be visiting our sister church, El Redentor, and missionaries, Victor and Teresa Cruz in Mexico City from May 18 to May 22. During this trip, we will be building relationships and serving alongside them in order to be a blessing. If you are interested in joining the trip, please reach out to Jason Long at jason@4longs.com.

CS Kids Camp: July 10-14... an unforgettable experience for kids ages Pre-K through 5th grade! We will play games, engage in worship, make new friends - all while learning about Jesus! (registration link coming soon)

CS Youth Events Email Josh@crosssound.org for details.

- 5TH-8TH MIRACLE RANCH SUMMER CAMP: JUNE 23-25 Curently in 5th through 8th grade. Includes Horseback Riding, Paintball, and High ropes course!
- HS SUMMER IMMERSION SERVANT LEADERSHIP CAMP: JULY 15-22 We are partnering with Sacred Roads again and serving the Warm Springs Nation.

Women's Ministry BIBLE STUDY: Mondays at 6:30pm / Wednesdays at 9:15am SPRING RETREAT: The Ministry of Storytelling at Harmony Hill, April 21-22. The focus this year is The Ministry of Storytelling led by Katie Pearson. For info: bit.ly/crosssoundwomen Questions? Email Ashley@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: Ministry ()	Please add me to: Email list ()
Regular attendee ()	withistry ()	Mailing list ()
Name(s):		
Address:		
Prayer Requests/Comm	nents:	

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 that 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.