



Who do you perceive God to be?
Who do you think God is—not just on paper
but in your sin and suffering? How does God
feel about you? God saving of us is not cool
and calculating. It is a matter of yearning—
not yearning for the Facebook you, the you
that you project to everyone around you.

Not the you that you wish you were.
Yearning for the real you, the you underneath
everything you present to others.

We need to understand that... we have a
perverse resistance to this. Out of God's heart
flows mercy; out of ours, reluctance to receive
it. We are the cool and calculating ones,
not God. God is open-armed.

—

Dane Ortlund

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 — Psalm 103:1-5

Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me,
bless his holy name! Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

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.

**We confess to you, Lord, all our past unfaithfulness;
the pride, hypocrisy, and impatience of lives,
We confess to you, Lord.
Our self indulgent appetites and ways,
and our exploitation of other people,
We confess to you, Lord.
Our anger at our own frustration,
and envy of those more fortunate than ourselves,
We confess to you, Lord.
Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comfort,
And dishonesty in daily life and work,
We confess to you, Lord.
Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

I can assure you that on the basis of God's promises
and in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

I Will Follow — Chris Tomlin

*Where You go, I'll go, Where You stay, I'll stay,
When You move, I'll move, I will follow*

All Your ways are good, All Your ways are sure, I will trust in You alone
Higher than my sight, High above my life, I will trust in You alone

*Where You go, I'll go, Where You stay, I'll stay,
When You move, I'll move, I will follow you
Who You love, I'll love, How You serve I'll serve,
If this life I lose, I will follow You, I will follow You*

Light unto the world, Light unto my life, I will live for You alone
You're the one I seek, Knowing I will find, All I need in You alone

Chorus

In You there's life everlasting, In You there's freedom for my soul,
In You there's joy, unending joy, And I will follow

Chorus x2

Your Labor is Not in Vain — Wendell Kimbrough/Paul Zach/Isaac Wardell

Your labor is not in vain, though the ground underneath you is cursed and stained
Your planting and reaping are never the same, But your labor is not in vain.

Your labor is not unknown though the rocks they cry out and the sea it may groan.
The place of your toil may not seem like a home but your labor is not unknown.

*For I am with you, I am with you. I am with you, I am with you
For I have called you, called you by name, Your labor is not in vain.*

The vineyards you plant will bear fruit, fields will sing out and rejoice with the truth,
For all that is old will at last be made new: the vineyards you plant will bear fruit.

Chorus

The houses you labored to build, will finally with laughter and joy be filled.
The serpent that hurts and destroys shall be killed, and all that is broken be healed.

Chorus

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.

Sing Hallelujah To The Lord

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Jesus is Lord Of Heaven and Earth
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Jesus is Lord Of Heaven and Earth

Welcome the gospel of the Lord
Welcome the gospel of the Lord
Listen His word is true Rejoice as He comes to you
Welcome the gospel of the Lord

ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

Please stand and introduce yourself to one another.

MESSAGE

Series: On the Road with Jesus: Part 3

Title: The Gospel Banquet

Text: Luke 22:1-23

Speaker: Dave Sellers

Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread drew near, which is called the Passover. ² And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how to put him to death, for they feared the people.

Then Satan entered into Judas called Iscariot, who was of the number of the twelve. ⁴ He went away and conferred with the chief priests and officers how he might betray him to them. ⁵ And they were glad, and agreed to give him money. ⁶ So he consented and sought an opportunity to betray him to them in the absence of a crowd.

Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. ⁸ So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat it." ⁹ They said to him, "Where will you have us prepare it?" ¹⁰ He said to them, "Behold, when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him into the house that he enters ¹¹ and tell the master of the house, 'The Teacher says to you, Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' ¹² And he will show you a large upper room furnished; prepare it there." ¹³ And they went and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover.

And when the hour came, he reclined at table, and the apostles with him. ¹⁵ And he said to them, "I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. ¹⁶ For I tell you I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." ¹⁷ And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he said, "Take this, and divide it among yourselves. ¹⁸ For I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." ¹⁹ And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁰ And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. ²¹ But behold, the hand of him who betrays me is with me on the table. ²² For the Son of Man goes as it has been determined, but woe to that man by whom he is betrayed!" ²³ And they began to question one another, which of them it could be who was going to do this.

QUOTES:

'If baptism is like a wedding, then communion is like a kiss. It's the reaffirmation of love. Christ comes close to reassure us of his love. He comes close to kiss us.'

-Tim Chester

'The evangelical quest for a particular emotional experience in worship and the capitalistic quest for anonymous, cheap canned goods have something in common. Both are mostly concerned with what I can get for myself as an individual consumer. But the economy of the Eucharist calls me to a life of self-emptying worship.' -Tish Harrison Warren

"My body is like this bread. It will break," Jesus told them. "This cup of wine is like my blood. It will pour out." "But this is how God will rescue the whole world. My life will break and God's broken world will mend. My heart will tear apart - and your hearts will heal. Just as the passover lamb died, so now I will die instead of you. My blood will wash away all of your sins. And you'll be clean on the inside - in your hearts." -Sally Lloyd-Jones, The Jesus Storybook Bible

NOTES:

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



Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth,
where moth and rust consume and
where thieves break in and steal;
but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven,
where neither moth nor rust consumes
and where thieves do not break in and steal.

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

— Matthew 6:19-20

Great is thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not,
As Thou has been Thou forever wilt be.

*Great is Thy faithfulness!, Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided,
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.*

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness, To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Chorus.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide.
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside

Chorus

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").

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

Everlasting God — Chris Tomlin

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord,
We will wait upon the Lord, We will wait upon the Lord
Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord,
We will wait upon the Lord, We will wait upon the Lord
Our God, You reign forever, Our hope, our strong deliverer

*You are the Everlasting God, the Everlasting God,
You do not faint, you won't grow weary
You're the defender of the weak, You comfort those in need,
You lift us up on wings like eagles*

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BENEDICTION — Matthew 28:19-20

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them
in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you.
And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Amen.

Announcements

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!)

Holy Week with Cross Sound Church at the BI High School Theater

- Palm Sunday, April 13 at 10am
- Good Friday, April 18 at 7pm
- Easter Sunday, April 20 at 10am
- Potluck Celebration directly following Easter Service on the HS Commons lawn

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 contact Leigh Ann Grady at communityservice@crosssound.org if interested.

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 to get a printed copy of the directory (for pick up at the Church Office)

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

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: _____

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.