



“The only love that won’t disappoint you is one that can’t change, that can’t be lost, that is not based on the ups and downs of life or of how well you live. It is something that not even death can take away from you. God’s love is the only thing like that.”



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

Gathering

CALL TO WORSHIP — Hebrews 12:28 & 13:15

We are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken,
so let us be thankful,
and let us offer to God acceptable worship,
with reverence and awe.
Through Jesus, let us continually
offer to God a sacrifice of praise.

Renewing

CONFESSION OF SIN

"It is fitting that by the confession of our own wretchedness, we show forth the goodness and mercy of our God, among ourselves and before the whole world." —John Calvin, 1536

Heavenly Father,
Instead of worshipping, we worry.
Instead of following you, we go our own way.
Instead of living lives of freedom, generosity, and love by your grace, we often live in small, self-focused ways.
Forgive us, once again,
For our sinful attitudes, actions, and hearts.
Rejuvenate and grow us in your grace.
Fill us with a renewed hunger to walk with Jesus;
And a bursting joy in Him, we pray.
Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

God made him who had no sin, to be sin for us, so that in him
we might become the righteousness of God.
— 2nd Corinthians 5:21

Therefore, there is no condemnation for those who belong to
Christ Jesus... nothing can ever separate us from God's love.
— Romans 8:1 & 38

If you have confessed your sins,
seeking God's grace in God's Son,
hear these glorious words again:
You are Forgiven!
Amen.

House of the Lord— Phil Wickham

We worship the God who was, We worship the God who is
We worship the God who evermore will be
He opened the prison doors, He parted the raging sea
My God, He holds the victory

*There's joy in the house of the Lord
There's joy in the house of the Lord today
And we won't be quiet, We shout out Your praise
There's joy in the house of the Lord
Our God is surely in this place
And we won't be quiet, We shout out Your praise
... We shout out Your praise*

We sing to the God who heals, We sing to the God who saves
We sing to the God who always makes a way
He hung upon that cross, Then He rose up from that grave
My God's still rolling stones away

Chorus

We were the beggars, Now we're royalty
We were the prisoners, Now we're running free
We are forgiven, accepted, Redeemed by His grace
Let the house of the Lord sing praise (x2)

Chorus x2

There is joy in this house, There is joy in this house today
We shout out Your praise, We shout out Your praise

I Speak Jesus

I just want to speak the name of Jesus, Over every heart and every mind
'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence, I speak Jesus

I just want to speak the name of Jesus, 'Til every dark addiction starts to break
Declaring there is hope and there is freedom, I speak Jesus

*Your name is power, Your name is healing, Your name is life
Break every stronghold, Shine through the shadows, Burn like a fire*

I just want to speak the name of Jesus, Over fear and all anxiety
To every soul held captive by depression, I speak Jesus

Chorus x2

Shout Jesus from the mountains, Jesus in the streets,
Jesus in the darkness over every enemy And Jesus for my family,
I speak the holy name, Jesus

Chorus x2

Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vision, oh Lord of my heart,
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light

Be thou my wisdom and thou my true word,
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord
Thou my great Father, and I thy true son,
Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art

High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O ruler of all

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

QUOTES:

“The only person who dares wake up a king at 3:00 a.m. for a glass of water is a child. We have that kind of access.” — Tim Keller

It's no accident that hospitality and hospital come from the same Latin word, for they both lead to the same result: healing. When you open your door to someone, you are sending this message: “You matter to me and to God.” You may think you are saying, “Come over for a visit.” But what your guest hears is, “I'm worth the effort.”—Max Lucado

Two thousand years ago, we were invited to love our neighbors... The world is a little crazy right now, and we could use more love in our interactions. A lot of people need to feel included and seen.—Sara Harmeyer

“Strange and wonderful things happen when we practice hospitality — loving people in Jesus.”—Matt Woodley

Title: Receiving & Sharing the Hospitality of God
Text: Matthew 11:28, 1John 4:10-11, & 1Peter 4:8-10.
Speaker: Dave O'Connell

Then Jesus said, “Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.”—Matthew 11:28

This is real love—not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins.
Dear friends, since God loved us that much,
we surely ought to love each other. — 1John 4:10-11

Above all, love each other deeply...
Offer hospitality to one another...
and use whatever gift you have received to serve others. — 1Peter 4:8-10

OUTLINE

I. God's Character

II. God's Call

III. God's Church

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 Son of Man came not to be served but to serve,
and to give his life as a ransom for many.

— Mark 10:45

At this table we come face to face;
with the God of all mercy, love, and grace.
We eat and we drink to remember the One,
Who died in our place, salvation won.
His body and blood were given for you,
This meal his great gift to fill and renew.
Now celebrate Him and know that this taste,
Is sure sign and seal of his glorious embrace.

—The Communion Table

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



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

It Is Well — Bethel Music

Grander earth has quaked before,
Moved by the sound of His voice
Seas that are shaken and stirred,
Can be calmed and broken for my regard

*And through it all, through it all, My eyes are on You,
And through it all, through it all, It is well
And through it all, through it all, My eyes are on You,
And it is well with me*

Far be it from me to not believe,
Even when my eyes can't see
And this mountain that's in front of me,
Will be thrown into the midst of sea

Chorus

So let go my soul and trust in Him, The waves and wind still know His name
So let go my soul and trust in Him, The waves and wind still know His name
So let go my soul and trust in Him, The waves and wind still know His name
The waves and wind still know His name

It is well with my soul, It is well with my soul,
It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul,
It is well, it is well with my soul

Chorus

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 Blessing

The Lord bless you, and keep you,
Make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you
The Lord turn His face toward you, and give you peace
(repeat)

Amen, Amen, Amen

The Lord Bless You, And Keep You,
Make His Face Shine Upon You, And Be Gracious To You
The Lord Turn His Face Toward You, And Give You Peace

Amen, Amen, Amen
Amen, Amen, Amen

May His Favor Be Upon You, And A Thousand Generations
And Your Family And Your Children, And Their Children And Their Children
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And Your Family And Your Children, And Their Children And Their Children

May His Presence Go Before You, And Behind You And Beside You
All Around You And Within You, He Is With You, He Is With You
In The Morning, In The Evening, In Your Coming And You Going
In Your Weeping And Rejoicing, He Is For You, He Is For You
He Is For You, He Is For You, He Is For You, He Is For You
He Is For You, He Is For you, He Is for You, He Is For You

Amen, Amen, Amen
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BENEDICTION — Romans 15:13 & 33

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him,
so that you may overflow... by the power of the Holy Spirit.

May the God of peace be with you all.

Amen.

Amen.

Announcements

Dec 1: Annual Open Mic "Giving Thanks" Service This service is dedicated to hearing and sharing stories. We invite you to share if you are led... or just come and listen to the gratitude of our church family.

Dec 15: Nativity Play We'd love to invite your children to join in the Nativity Play this Christmas and tell the story of Jesus' birth. There are parts for those who feel comfortable talking and also for those who'd like to participate quietly. *Rehearsals will be on Sunday December 1 and Sunday December 8 and held directly after church for about an hour and a half.* The Play itself will be performed during church on Sunday December 15 at 10am but we will all arrive at the church at 8:30 that morning for a dress rehearsal. (If you can't make the rehearsals on the 1st and 8th, you can easily join in the angel choir on the 15th without having practiced.) Please review the available slots and follow the QR code to sign up!



If you're interested in a role that says it's "filled," or you're an adult who'd like to help out, you can reach out to me, Brooke Wellman, at (425) 647-8542.

Socks & Underwear, Socks and Underwear! Cross Sound Youth is doing its annual Warm Winter Sock & Underwear Drive. We are looking to gather 240 pairs of new warm winter socks and underwear which will be part of our gift bags to 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 Dec. 1st. Thank you!

Women's Ministry For more Women's Event info go to: bit.ly/crosssoundwomen

- Nov 15 7pm: Women's Game Night at the home of Nancy Lim. Bring a snack!
- Dec 7: Women's Advent Brunch at Island School from 10-noon. Sign up on the clipboard or through the CSC's Women's Group page: bit.ly/crosssoundwomen

Men's Bible Study Fellowship Tuesdays at 6:30pm at the Church office (600 Ericksen Ave NE #210). 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! Sign up at www.joinbsf.org. Questions? Email Tony at merritts.wa@gmail.com or Teague newpark@centurytel.net.

The School of Discipleship is offering a new class for the New Year titled: *Follow Me: Finding Your Purpose and Fulfilling Your Callings in Christ*. One of the questions you may ponder is, "How am I created to make a difference in the world for Jesus?" Join us Sunday evenings, January 12th thru February 2nd, at the Church Office (600 Ericksen NE). Dinner and childcare provided. Please RSVP to katiepearson@crosssound.org or sign up on the clipboard during service.

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.