



Scripture says that to be human is to live in joyful expectation
of an everlasting fullness of creaturely glory,
rubbing shoulders with the Lord God,
our almighty redeeming Creator,
on an earth with heavens as marvelous as Paradise,
or to have a makeshift existence,
as pleasant as one can humanly make it oneself,
under the threat of termination,
which would render everything fairly meaningless.

— Calvin Seerveld, *On Being Human*

W e l c o m e

Welcome to Cross Sound Church. We are glad you have joined us today and hope you have been made to feel welcome. Maybe the best place to start this morning is grabbing a cup of coffee and something to eat.

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....which is good news because from top to bottom at Cross Sound, we are people who don't have it all together!

The 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 progress in personal growth.

Cross Sound Church desires to be filled with both believers and non-believers and explore the claims of the gospel and it's effects on our lives and on the world.

We are a church that loves our cities: Bainbridge Island, Poulsbo, Silverdale and Seattle and desires to show God's mercy to people who are flawed like we are.

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.

Let's worship God together.



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Contact Information and Prayer Requests

If you are new to Cross Sound Church, please use this page to let us know you were here. You may also use this page to inform us of any changes in your contact information, or to submit prayer requests for the staff to pray over.

First time visitor

Second time visitor

Regular attendee

Interested in more info on:

Children's ministry

Community Group

missions

hospitality and logistics

Name(s): _____

Children & their ages: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number(s): _____

Email(s): _____

Prayer requests: _____

Cross Sound Church Order of Worship

Sunday September 11, 2011 10:00 A.M.

Gathering

Call to Worship

Ascribe to the LORD, O families of nations,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
bring an offering and come into his courts.
Worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness;
tremble before him, all the earth.

*Worship, while a celebration,
is an encounter with a holy
God, who calls us, invites us
into His presence.*

— Psalm 96:7-9

Renewing

Confession of Sin

Lord, you have called us into an intimate and secure relationship as your sons and daughters. You have called us this morning to worship you. We gladly gather! As we bow before you, though, our own inadequacy reminds us of how we have run and hidden from you this week and even this day. Find us and renew us, we pray, according to your unfailing love.

*Text in **bold** is read by the
entire congregation. Plain
text is read by the worship
leader only.*

*Confession happens within
the context of relationship,
both with God and
with each other as we
acknowledge our need
for forgiveness.*

Assurance of Pardon and Receiving of Grace

May the God of love
bring us back to himself,
forgive us our sins,
and assure us of his eternal love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

^{All} **Amen.**

Before The Throne of God Above

*You are invited to
personalize your
confession as we pray
silently.*

Before the throne of God above,
I have a strong, a perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is "Love,"
Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands,
My name is written on His heart;
I know that while in heav'n He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart.
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

please join in song when ready

*Jesus promises that He freely
forgives sins removing all of
our past regrets.*

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died,
My sinful soul is counted free;
For God, the Just, is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me.
To look on Him and pardon me.

Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise the One, risen Son of God!

Behold Him there! the risen Lamb,
My perfect, spotless Righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM,
The Kind of glory and of grace!
One with Himself I cannot die,
My soul is purchased by His blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ my Savior and my God
With Christ my Savior and my God.

Revelation Song

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain.
Holy, holy is He.
Sing a new song to Him who sits on
Heaven's Mercy Seat.

CHORUS:

Holy, Holy, Holy is The Lord, God Almighty.
Who was and is and is to come.
With all creation I sing, "Praise to The King of Kings,
You are my everything. And I will adore You".

Clothed in rainbows, of living color.
Flashes of lightening, rolls of thunder.
Blessing and honor, strength and glory and power be,
To You, the only wise King.

CHORUS

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder,
At the mention of Your Name.
Jesus, Your Name is power, breath and living water.
Such a marvelous mystery.

CHORUS

King of Glory

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

Giving Thanks

Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and praise his name.

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.

Expressing gratitude to God expresses dependence upon God and is an antidote for cynicism, criticism, and bitterness.

Title: The Power of One
Guest Speaker: Rich Carroll
Text: John 17

Jesus Prays to Be Glorified

¹ After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed:

“Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. ² For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. ³ Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. ⁴ I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. ⁵ And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began.

Jesus Prays for His Disciples

⁶ “I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. ⁷ Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. ⁸ For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. ⁹ I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰ All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. ¹¹ I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one. ¹² While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled.

¹³ “I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them. ¹⁴ I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. ¹⁵ My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶ They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. ¹⁷ Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹ For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified.

Jesus Prays for All Believers

²⁰ “My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, ²¹ that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one— ²³ I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

²⁴ “Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world.

²⁵ “Righteous Father, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me. ²⁶ I have made you known to them, and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them and that I myself may be in them.”

— John 17

It has been the practice of the church for thousands of years to have portions of the Bible read during worship services. We do this because we are people who need to be shaped by all of God's word.

Offering

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

— 2 Corinthians 9:6-7

All the Heavens

As your children gather in peace
All the angels sing in heaven
In your temple, all that I seek
Is to glimpse your holy presence
All the heavens cannot hold you, Lord
How much less to dwell in me?
I will always make my one desire
Holding on to Thee

All the angles exalt you on high
What a kingdom to depart
But you left your throne in the sky
And you live inside my heart
All the heavens cannot hold you, Lord
How much less to dwell in me?
I will always make my one desire
Holding on to Thee

I can only make my one desire
Holding on to Thee

Prayers of the People

God of Redemption, we rejoice in the promise of your restoration.
You are the God who turns mourning into laughter
and weeping into shouts of joy.
Remind us of the great things you have done in Jesus;
form us into a community that reflects his new life
and yearns for your full restoration to come.
For this, O Lord, we pray:
Lord, hear our prayer.

God of Justice, we pray for your kingdom to come in fullness.
The fortunes of our city are held captive by neglect and corruption;
our streets are polluted by crime and exclusion.
Give us your dream, therefore, of true justice and mercy,
and grant us holy resolve to act on those dreams,
to work diligently to make our city whole again.
For this, O Lord, we pray:
Lord, hear our prayer.

Prayer of Belief

*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 the 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 perse-
verance 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.*

We hope this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with his people, the church.

God of Mercy, draw near to all who are suffering.
Protect the homeless from the heat and provide food for the hungry.
Penetrate the darkness of depression with your light,
and be a refuge from the storm to those who live in fear.
Heal the sick. Comfort the mourners. Strengthen the weak.
Grant grace to us all that we may hope more deeply in Christ.
For this, O Lord, we pray:
Lord, hear our prayer.

And for what else should we pray?
Please add your own prayers at this time, ending with,
“For this, O Lord, we pray” and all responding,
“Lord, hear our prayer.”

S e n d i n g

Benediction

May the love of the Lord Jesus
guard your hearts and minds,
the power of the Lord Jesus
build you up in his service,
the joy of the Lord Jesus
fill your anxious hearts;
and the blessing of God almighty,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
be among you, and remain with you always.

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.

Blessed to be a Blessing...

“The reason Aaron and I started coming to Cross Sound was because of the challenging sermons. Little did we know they would dramatically change our lives. Dave’s sermon on adoption last summer was what finally set us on the path of foster care/adoption. We were touched deeply by the truth that God has adopted us into His family and changed our names. That is what we have done for Rayn, our two-year-old son who we welcomed into our home in December.”



Terra Claiborne

Take away..

Look out for how your life may be changed by embracing the truth of God’s Word. That proclamation of the Gospel is an important part of our life together at Cross Sound Church. “Doing” the Word is the other essential in being a Gospel-driven congregation.

Once again, Josh and Jamie Brouwer have done a TERRIFIC job in leading our kids program over the summer.

Using the book titled Animals of the Bible, by Mary Hoffman and Jackie Morris, they walked our kids through cool lessons about whales, serpents, frogs, sheep, ravens and more.

Both are so creative and passionate about God and children - making the perfect pairing for inspiring kids to grow toward Jesus.

Thank you, again, Josh and Jamie for loving our kids well and making God’s Word come alive in new and surprising ways!!



Community Groups are small groups of ten to sixteen members. The groups meet weekly, bi-weekly or monthly in homes. The time together is split among Bible study, personal application and relationships.

“Let us seek friends that will stir us up about our prayers, our Bible reading, and our employment of time, about our souls, our salvation, and a world to come. Who can tell the good a friend’s word in season may do, or the harm it may stop.”
— J.C. Ryle, Holiness

Leaders	Night
Erica Applewhite	Tuesday
Larry Asher & Richard Best	Sunday
Rick & Trish Maguire	Friday
Brian Hilst	Saturday
Tom Johnston	Sunday
Jon Jones	Thursday
Dave Sellers	Wednesday
John Hays & Joel Narva	Sunday
Mark Bullard	Saturday

For more information about community groups or to get connected please contact Roger Barber irbarbers@gmail.com

Financial Update:

Last weeks total:

\$7,872.00

Current Total:

\$97,264.87

Quarterly Goals:

July-Sept: \$153,337

Cross Sound Announcements

School of Discipleship:”Come Walk the World”: A two week seminar led by Dean Hirsch. Recently retired from the International President of World Vision, Dean, still very active in world-wide, Christ-centered efforts to care for the poor will take us on a ‘tour’ of the world that will leave you both encouraged and better informed as to what God is doing in the world. **Sun. Sept. 11th and 18th @ 8:45 am in the school library.**

Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) evening women’s and evening men’s class start Monday night September 12, and the day women’s class begins on Thursday morning September 15th. The evening classes provide a wonderful way for parents to study the Bible with their school age children, as curricula for grades 1 - 12 are available. The day women’s class provides a children’s program for new borns through kindergarten. Please consider enrolling and taking BSF for a 4 - 6 week test drive. Cross Sound Church contacts for the three classes are Regina Gurtler and Jeff Ogard for the evening classes, and Beth Johnston for the day women’s class.

Women’s Community Bible Study... Last spring was a good beginning to this new group. We are planning to resume meeting on Mon., Sept. 19th from 9-11AM at Kol Shalom. We will be using a Bible study on the book of Philippians. Everyone is welcome... our hope is for many women from different stages of life and different places in the community to all grow together. Please invite your friends to join us. Questions: carriesellers@q.com.

Discipleship Explored is an 8 week course that explores Paul’s letter to the Phillipians and it’s call to live wholeheartedly for Christ. The format will be a short talk, video, and group discussion and is intended for anyone who wants to grow in their Christian life. Oct 2nd through Nov 13.

Sun. 10/2 Peanut Butter & Jelly Parade. Cross Sound Kidz has a tradition of collecting peanut butter and jelly every fall and parading their donations to Helpline at the end of September. Please consider bringing PB&J and save the date for the parade!

SAVE THE DATE The 3rd annual Cross Sound Golf Tournament will be held on Oct. 2 at Meadowmeer. All Cross Sound golfers and their friends are invited to join us for 9 holes of golf and awards dinner immediately following. If you are interested contact Regina Gurtler tntmomx2@aol.com for more details.

The Empty Nester’s group is re-forming after a recess of two years.

You are welcome to join if you have recently become or have long been an empty nester. Please call Jim or Carolyn Gillick with any questions regarding this group. 360-779-3466.

Praying for our kids!

Every year, right around the beginning of school, we have a special recognition of our school-age students. Cheri Brune, owner of Bainbridge Bead Garden, the local bead shop, graciously donates her time and beads and makes each student a lanyard for their school back pack. These serve as a reminder to each child that they are loved by their church family @ Cross Sound Church and that, all year long, we are remembering to pray for them.

This year’s lanyard back pack theme comes from Romans 8:28

And we know that in all things (pearl or beach glass*)

God works for the good of those who love him, (heart)

who have been called according to his purpose.(cross).

*A pearl is something beautiful made from a constant irritation.

*Sea glass is something beautiful made from being broken & tumbled.

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Cross Sound Kidz

Our ministry to Kindergarten to six graders is lead by a large team of amazing volunteers and each age group has a pair of gifted teachers who rotate through each month as lead teacher. “The mission of Cross Sound Church’s Children’s Ministry is to partner with families as we reach out to children and draw them into a loving, serving relationship with Jesus Christ and with their church; and to train, resource and support those who minister to children.” We invite our K - 6 graders to remain in the main service with us to enjoy family praise & worship, confession of sins, and general announcements and then are dismissed, as a whole group to their individual classrooms. At the end of the service, they are ushered back into the main service to reunite with their family. We mix this up just a bit in the summer, where all K - 4 graders meet together for a time of lesson, craft, game and fellowship. Our 5th - 6th graders will join their main summer teacher, Carrie Sellers in the BHS library and will come back into the main service at the end of their lessons. Contact Marit Krueger for more information about this age-group.

“Nurturing seeds of hope and faith in the smallest in our Cross Sound family.”

This is our mission statement for our nursery-age children, new to two. A very talented and committed group cares for your children each week with play time, singing, games and stories.

Children in this age group can be dropped off in their upstairs classroom prior to the service beginning, 9:30 a.m. for our summer hours. Main contacts for this age-group are Cheri Brune, cheribrune2000@msn.com and Gloria Opstad, gloopstad@gmail.com.

Miss Deby Berkimer (deby@embarqmail.com) and her talented team of volunteers lead our three to five year olds, called Cross Sound Little Kidz.

Their mission statement is: “Lead three to five year olds to an understanding of the Gospel, the truths of Scripture, the character and purposes of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit through age appropriate means including story, drama, music, creative movement and games.” This age group can also be dropped off in their upstairs classroom prior to the main service beginning.

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Our Military
Shirley McKinstry
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Mike Musgrave
Edyth Phillips
Allen and Marilyn Thompson
Cuba
Nehemiah International
Those looking for jobs
Marriages
Youth with eating disorder
Those heading off to college
Hannah McNutt
The Sellers Family on vacation

If you have prayer requests or prayers of thanksgiving that you would like to share on this page please email Penny@crosssound.org or indicate on the prayer request page and drop it in the offering basket. Our Tuesday morning prayer group prays for the specific needs that are shared. An email with those needs is sent to the group so that we all are praying for these things throughout the week. Feel free to join us Tuesday mornings at 9AM at Cross Sound @ The Waterfront or email Penny@Crosssound.org if you would like to receive the emails.

Celebrating the sweetness of Summer!

Thank you to the Gurlter's for sharing their beautiful yard with us all!

