



‘God’s love isn’t
based on me.

It’s simply placed
on me. And it’s the
place from which I
should live... loved.’

—

Lysa TerKeurst

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 — Psalm 89:1-4

I will sing of your steadfast love, O LORD, forever;
with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.
I declare that your steadfast love is established forever;
your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.
You said, “I have made a covenant with my chosen one,
I have sworn to my servant David:
‘I will establish your descendants forever,
and build your throne for all generations.’”
Praise the Lord!

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.

**Holy and merciful God,
in your presence we confess
our sinfulness, our selfishness,
and our offenses against you.
You alone know how often we have
turned away from you and your ways,
in wasting your gifts,
in forgetting your love.
Have mercy on us, Lord.
Forgive our sins,
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
As a father has compassion for his children,
so the LORD has compassion for those who fear him.
For he knows how we were made;
he remembers that we are dust.

But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting
on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children's children,
to those who keep his covenant and remember to do his commandments.

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

Jesus Anthem — Phil Wickham

So many reasons, too many to count.
To say that I love You, to worship You now.
Your love is perfect, and Your heart is kind.
I'm Yours forever, forever You're mine.

*Jesus, the anthem of my heart, Jesus the anchor of my soul,
I'm overwhelmed by all You are, Oh, how I love You*

You call me beloved, and I call you friend.
Your grace says I'm worthy, You welcome me in.
Now all that I long for, and all that I need,
Is to be in Your presence, Forever I fall at Your feet

Chorus (x2)

Faithful to the end - God You are always good.
Where do I begin - There's so many reasons to love You
Your promise never breaks - Your beauty never fades,
What else can I say - There's so many reasons to love you

Chorus (x2)

All the earth will shout Your praise,
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing, Great are You, Lord
All the earth will shout Your praise,
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing, Great are You, Lord
All the earth will shout Your praise,
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing, Great are You, Lord

It's Your breath in our lungs, So we pour out our praise, We pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs, So we pour out our praise to You only
It's Your breath in our lungs, So we pour out our praise, We pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs So we pour out our praise to You only

Great are you Lord, Great are you Lord,
Great are you Lord, Great are you Lord

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.

Desert Song — Hillsong

This is my prayer in the desert,
when all that's within me feels dry
This is my prayer in my hunger and need:
“My God is the God who provides.”

This is my prayer in the fire,
in weakness or trial or pain
“There is a faith proved of more worth than gold,
so refine me Lord through the flame.”

*I will bring praise, I will bring praise,
No weapon formed against me shall remain
I will rejoice, I will declare,
God is my victory and He is here*

This is my prayer in the battle,
when triumph is still on its way:
“I am a conqueror and co-heir with Christ,
so firm on His promise I'll stand.”

Chorus

All of my life, in every season, You are still God
I have a reason to sing, I have a reason to worship

Chorus

This is my prayer in the harvest,
when favor and providence flow:
“I know I'm filled to be emptied again,
the seed I've received I will sow.”

Mighty To Save - Hillsong

Everyone needs compassion, a love that's never failing, Let mercy fall on us
Everyone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Savior. The hope of nations

*Savior, He can move the mountains.
Our God is mighty to save. He is mighty to save
Forever, author of salvation,
He rose and conquered the grave Jesus conquered the grave*

So take us as You find us, all our fears and failures, Fill our lives again
We give our lives to follow everything we believe in, Now we surrender

Chorus

Shine your light and let the whole world see,
we're singing For the glory of the risen King Jesus
Shine your light and let the whole world see, we're singing.
For the glory of the risen King

Chorus x2

PARIS MISSION TRIP — Megan Gleason, Spark Shou and Angel Shou

WARM SPRINGS MISSION TRIP — Lea Davies

ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

Please stand and introduce yourself to one another.

QUOTES:

“In ordinary life, we hardly realize that we receive a great deal more than we give, and that it is only with gratitude that life becomes rich.”— Dietrich Bonhoeffer

“God’s blessings are dispensed according to the riches of His grace, not according to the depth of our faith.” – Beth Moore

“Every person needs the blessing to feel truly loved and secure about himself or herself – John Trent

“A blessing is not something that one person gives another. It’s a message from God Himself, saying, ‘I am with you.’”– Billy Graham

SERMON SERIES: SUMMER IN THE PSALMS

Text: Psalm 67

Title: Benediction: Blessed to Bless

Speaker: Dave Sellers

¹ May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us, Selah

² that your way may be known on earth,
your saving power among all nations.

³ Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

⁴ Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth. Selah

⁵ Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

⁶ The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, shall bless us.

⁷ God shall bless us;
let all the ends of the earth fear him!

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").*

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



Freely you have received, freely give.

— Matthew 10:8

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Revelation — Third Day

My life has led me down the road that's so uncertain
Now I am left alone and I am broken trying to find my way
Trying to find the faith that's gone

This time I know that You are holding all the answers
I'm tired of losing hope and taking chances
On roads that never seem to be the ones that bring me home

Give me a revelation, show me what to do
Cause I've been trying to find my way
I haven't got a clue
Tell me should I stay here or do I need to move
Give me a revelation, I've got nothing without You
I've got nothing without You

My life has led me down this path that's ever winding
Through every twist and turn I'm always finding
That I am lost again, tell me when this road will ever end

[Chorus]

I don't know where I can turn, tell me when will I learn
Won't you show me where I need to go
Let me follow Your lead
I know that it's the only way that I can get back home (Give me a...)

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

Blessed Be Your Name — Matt Redman

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name
And blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name

*Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise,
And when the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say
Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be Your glorious name*

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be, blessed be Your name
And blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name

Chorus

You give and take away, You give and take away,
My heart will choose to say Lord, blessed be Your name
You give and take away, You give and take away,
My heart will choose to say Lord, blessed be Your name

Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be Your glorious name
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My heart will choose to say Lord, blessed be Your name

BENEDICTION — Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make his face to shine upon you and
be gracious to you;
the LORD lift up his countenance upon you
and give you peace.

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

August 25: Annual Golf Fundraiser is TODAY after church! Join us at Meadowmeer for our Annual fundraiser benefitting the Ensenada Homebuilding trip! This event is a fun, 9-hole scramble format tournament with teams of 4 people. Includes lunch.

September 1: CS Kids Fall Kickoff - Students, please join us in Sunday School as we kick off the new school year! Fun, games, prizes, giant bounce slide. We'll also pass out our traditional Backpack Blessings.

September 9 & 11: Women's Bible Study is studying "God of Covenant: Genesis 12-50" by Jen Wilkin. We will meet at the church office. Starting September 9 - Monday Evenings 6:30-8:30 - Soup and Salad Dinner provided. Starting September 11 - Wednesday Mornings at 9:30 - 11:30 - Breakfast Potluck & Childcare Provided. Questions? Email Ashley@CrossSound.org or visit bit.ly/crosssoundwomen

September 10: Men's Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) Begins Tuesday evenings at the CS Church Office. This year's focus is on the book of Revelation and our hope in Jesus' return. Questions? Email Tony Merritt - merritts.wa@gmail.com

September 15: The School of Discipleship kicks off our next 4-week class on the ancient practice of the Sabbath. This is the second spiritual discipline we are introducing from a ministry called Practicing the Way (www.practictheway.org). Meet in the church office at 6 pm for dinner, followed by a short video teaching and small group discussion. Please RSVP to Katie at katiepearson@crosssound.org.

October 19: Dan Allender (PhD) is speaking at our Men's Event from 8am-Noon on "Learning how to Talk Out Loud--the Discipline of Querying the Soul": Dan is one of the founders of the Seattle School of Theology and Psychology where he served as president from 2002-2009. He's a therapist in private practice and teaching at the Allender Center. He's the author of the Wounded Heart, Bold Love, Intimate Allies, the Healing Path, To be Told, How Children Raise Their Parents, God Loves Sex, Leading With A Limp, The Cry of the Soul, Sabbath, as well as co-authoring several books with Tremper Longman. Details of the venue to follow.

Men's Breakfast Second Saturdays of the month. 8am at the Church Office. Come and be known!

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: _____

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.