



A poor
wise person
is greater than
a rich fool.

—

Matshona Dhliwayo

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 — Portions of Psalm 149 (NLT)

Praise the Lord!
Sing a new song to the Lord!
Praise Him in the meeting of His people.
For the Lord is happy with His people.
He saves the humble and makes them beautiful.
Let the high praises of God be in their mouth.
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.

Gracious Father,

**We acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature,
our shortcomings, and offenses.**

**You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from
your way, in wasting your gifts, and in forgetting your love.**

Forgive us, dear Father.

**In your love, renew us in your grace, and remind our forgetful
hearts that Jesus bore our every sin upon the cross.**

**Set our eyes and center our lives upon Him again, upon Him
who is all together beautiful and good.**

**We ask these things in His glorious name,
Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

Jesus Christ gave his life to free us from every kind of sin,
to cleanse us, and to make us his very own people. — Titus 2:14

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

Know this joy this morning:
In Jesus Christ,
We are loved.
We are forgiven.
We are His.

Amen.
Amen.

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

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

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.

Shout To The Lord — Darlene Zschech

My Jesus my Savior, Lord there is none like You
All of my days, I want to praise, The wonders of Your mighty love
My comfort my shelter, Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath all that I am, Never cease to worship You

*Shout to the Lord all the earth let us sing, Power and majesty praise to the King
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of Your Name.
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands, Forever I'll love You forever I'll stand
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You*

My Jesus my Savior, Lord there is none like You
All of my days, I want to praise, The wonders of Your mighty love
My comfort my shelter, Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath all that I am, Never cease to worship You

Chorus x2

Gratitude— Brandon Lake

All my words fall short, I got nothing new,
How could I express, All my gratitude
I could sing these songs, As I often do,
But every song must end, And You never do

*So I throw up my hands, And praise You again and again,
'Cause all that I have is a Hallelujah, Hallelujah
And I know its not much But Ive nothing else fit for a King
Except for a heart singing Hallelujah Hallelujah*

I've got one response, I've got just one move,
With my arms stretched wide, I will worship You

Chorus

Bridge:

So come on my soul, oh, don't you get shy on me,
Lift up your song, 'cause you've got a lion
Inside of those lungs, Get up and praise the Lord (repeat)

Chorus x2

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.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON STORY

David Pat — Founder & Director of Renewal Ministries

ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

Please stand and introduce yourself to one another.

Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you.

— Romans 15:7

Be devoted to one another in love.

— Romans 12:10

NOTES:

SERIES: ON THE ROAD WITH JESUS

Text: Luke 12:13-21

Title: Should We Take Jesus Seriously?

Speaker: Jim Wellman

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.”¹⁴ But Jesus said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?”¹⁵ And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.”¹⁶ Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly.¹⁷ And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’¹⁸ Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods.¹⁹ And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’²⁰ But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’²¹ So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”²² Jesus said to his disciples, “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear.²³ For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing.²⁴ Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds!²⁵ And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life?²⁶ If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest?²⁷ Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these.²⁸ But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith!²⁹ And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying.³⁰ For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them.³¹ Instead, strive for his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

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.

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").*

He was pierced for our rebellion, crushed for our sins.
He was beaten so we could be whole.
He was whipped so we could be healed.
All of us, like sheep, have strayed away.
We have left God's paths to follow our own.
Yet the Lord laid on him the sins of us all.

— Isaiah 53:5-6

Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost.

— Isaiah 55:1

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 I



Each one must give as he has decided in his heart,
Not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.
And God is able to make all grace abound to you,
So that having all sufficiency in all things at all times,
You may abound in every good work.”

— 2nd Corinthians 9:7-8

Revelation Song — 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

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, for ever.
Amen.**

Sending

Who You Say I Am — Hillsong

Who am I that the highest King
Would welcome me
I was lost but He brought me in
Oh His love for me
Oh His love for me

Who the Son sets free
Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God
Yes I am

Free at last He has ransomed me
His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin
Jesus died for me
Yes He died for me

Who the Son sets free
Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God, yes I am
In my Father's house
There's a place for me
I'm a child of God, yes I am

I am chosen / Not forsaken
I am who You say I am
You are for me / Not against me
I am who You say I am

BENEDICTION

May the Father rejoice over you with gladness;
May Christ Jesus renew you in his love;
May the Holy Spirit give you his peace.

May our triune God send us forward in His joy,
to love and serve our world.

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

• **Annual Cross Sound Women's Retreat, April 19-21 at Fort Worden State Park**

Getting away with God can look like many things, but it is absolutely essential to doing life with Jesus, not just for him. Come enjoy rest, rediscover spaciousness, and deepen your relationship with Jesus and others through creating an ancient Benedictine tradition called A Rule of Life. Early Bird special ends 3/1. Bring your friends! *Register online, clipboard sign up or email: katiepearson@crosssound.org.*



• **Small Group Leaders Meeting: Saturday, March 9th** Please join up for this collaborative/training event if you are a small group leader. We'll meet at the church office from 9a-11:30a (600 Ericksen Ave, Ste 210, BI) For more information please contact Kyle Shei (kyle.shei@gmail.com or Dave Sellers dave@crosssound.org)

• **GriefShare is returning** with an 11-week class Thursdays February 29-May 9 at church office 9:45-noon. A recovery program for those who have lost a loved one from death (spouse, older child, family member, friend, co-worker.etc). Brings hope, comfort and healing in a safe confidential environment. Contact Sue MacFarlane: 206-714-5986

• **Save the date - there are a lot of fun events coming up this Spring!**

MARCH 22 at 6PM: Comedy Night Young Life Fundraiser

JUNE 21-23: Miracle Ranch 5th-8th Graders

JULY 19-21: all-church family camp at Crescent Beach

Women's Bible Study Join us as we study "Gospel on the Ground" by Kristy McClelland. Email: katiepearson@crosssound.org or <http://bit.ly/crosssoundwomen>
MONDAYS 6:30-8:30pm. Soup and Salad Dinner Provided
WEDNESDAYS 9:30-11:30am. Breakfast and Childcare Provided

Women & Children's Walk In The Woods Join us Thursday mornings at 9:15am for a 3 mile walk around Gazam Lake (stroller suggested). Park at 7377 Springridge Rd NE Bainbridge Is. Questions and/or RSVP to Brooke Wellman at (425)647-8542

Men's Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) Thursdays 6:30-8pm at the Church Office

In a world that declares "find your own truth: - Jesus stands alone. He boldly proclaims Himself as the only source of freedom, peace, security, truth, and everlasting life with God. Join us as we study the Book of John! For info/sign up go to: bit.ly/joinBSF. Questions? Email Tony Merritt - merritts.wa@gmail.com

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

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.