



The Master of Life's been
good to me. He has given me
strength to face past illnesses,
and victory in the face of
defeat. He has given me life
and joy where others saw
oblivion. He has given me
new purpose to live for, new
services to render and old
wounds to heal. Life and love
go on, let the music play.

Johnny Cash

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 4:14-16

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

CONFESSION OF SIN —Psalm 79:9

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.

**Help us, O God of our salvation,
for the glory of your name;
deliver us, and forgive our sins,
for your name's sake.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,
through whom we have obtained access to this grace
in which we stand;
and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! — Romans 5:1-2
Amen

Renewing

Mighty To Save

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

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

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.

Come, Ye Sinners

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love and power.

*I will arise and go to Jesus; He will embrace me in His arms
In the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.*

Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome, God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall
If you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all.

Chorus

Let not conscience make you linger; not of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness He requireth, is to feel your need of Him.

Chorus

Come All Ye Pining, Hungry, Poor — Steele, Murphy
Lord, we adore Thy boundless grace - The heights and depths unknown
Of pardon, life, and joy, and peace, In Thy beloved Son.

*Come, all ye pining, hungry poor; The Savior's bounty taste.
Behold a never-failing store, For every willing guest.*

O wondrous gifts of love divine, Dear Source of every good –
Jesus, in Thee what glories shine, How rich Thy flowing blood.

Here shall your numerous wants receive, A free, a full supply;
He has unmeasured bliss to give, And joys that never die.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

Please stand and introduce yourself to one another.

QUOTES:

‘Sin is false beauty. It is ugliness masquerading as loveliness.’ – Dane Ortlund

‘Sin always begins with character assassination of God.’ – Timothy J Keller

‘Sin is often thought of as being motivated by the temptation for pleasure. But perhaps the real power of sin lies in the avoidance of pain and suffering. It is better to suffer unfulfilled needs and desires than to sin. Is this not what self-denial means?’ – Karen H Jobs

‘Considering the multitude of things that happen in any one person’s life, it seems fairly unlikely that those little boys remembered the incident (of bullying me) for very long. It was an introduction to what was to come. And cruelty could never again take them totally by surprise. But I have remembered it. I have remembered it because it was the moment I learned that I was not to trust or be trusted.’
– William Maxwell

MESSAGE SERIES: GENESIS

Text: Genesis 2:25-3:7

Title: Did God Really Say...?

Speaker: Dave Sellers

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made.

He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden?'" ² And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, ³ but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.'" ⁴ But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. ⁵ For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶ So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. ⁷ Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

NOTES

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

'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

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



I urge you, in view of God's mercy,
to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—
this is your spiritual worship.

— Romans 12:1

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 Will Hold Me Fast — Ada Habershon, Matt Merker
When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold, Through life's fearful path,
For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.

*He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast!*

Those He saves are His delight; Christ will hold me fast.
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last.
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.

For my life He bled and died; Christ will hold me fast.
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
'Til our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last!

JACQUELINE HUTCHINS — Osaka, Japan

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 — Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to him who by the power at work within us
is able to accomplish abundantly far more
than all we can ask or imagine,
to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus
to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

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

Part-time Position Available: Children's Ministry If you love God, love children and would like to be part of a team providing oversight and leadership for kids from nursery-6th grade, please email daveoc@crosssound.org for details/description.

Oct 21: Women's Hike Hike the Falls View Canyon on Saturday, October 21 in Quilcene and enjoy lunch afterwards.

Oct 28: Small Group Collaborative Training Small Group leaders, and those interested in learning more about leadership, are invited to a gathering on Saturday morning, Oct 28 from 9-11am at the Church Office. We'll focus on the vision for Small Groups, what's going well and what's challenging, and pray together for the Holy Spirit's leading. *RSVP to dave@crosssound.org*

Oct 29: After-Church Lunch - Mark your calendars! Our Hospitality Team is coordinating a Chili & Cornbread lunch... stay after service and connect! (We'll send out a clipboard next week for anyone who wants to help bring food and/or set-up)

Nov 5: Peanut Butter & Jelly Parade We'll be collecting peanut butter and jelly over the next month for Helplinr House (they are in especially desperate need of jelly/jam), and parading it down after service that Sunday. Thank you!

Dec 9: Women's Advent Brunch - Save the Date for Saturday, Dec 9 at Island School. *Questions?* Email Ashley@CrossSound.org or visit bit.ly/crosssoundwomen

Women's Bible Study is studying "God of Creation: Genesis 1-11" by Jen Wilkin.

- Monday Evening 6:30 - 8:30 - Soup and Salad Dinner provided
- Wednesday Morning 9:30 - 11:30 - Breakfast Potluck & Childcare Provided

Cuba Missions: Shoe collection The Cuba Missions team is collecting new youth and children--sized shoes/sneakers (no sandals, slides or crocks, please) for their upcoming trip. If you are able to contribute, please drop-off at the church office!

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

BSF is a weekly, in-person, in-depth, interdenominational study. In a world that declares "find your own truth" - Jesus stands alone. He boldly proclaims Himself as the only source of freedom, peace, truth, security, and everlasting life with God. Go to: bit.ly/joinBSF or follow QR Code to sign up. Questions? Contact Teague Parker at newpark@centurytel.net



GriefShare has begun: Thursday mornings at the church office GriefShare is a Christ-centered, 11-week Program designed to help you rebuild your life. New participants welcome. *Contact Sue: 206-714-5986 or jimorsuema@hotmail.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: _____

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.