



We must ponder and be consumed with the thought of His sacrificial love, mercy, and grace. May we never think that pondering the Almighty's love is only for beginners. No one ever moves past the need to learn and then relearn this over and over again and to let it be the one defining truth of all of life.



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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

Please join in song when ready

Gloria Patri — Words: Gloria Patri, 2nd Century, Music: Karl Digerness, 2009

Glory be to the Father As it was in the beginning

Glory be to the Son Shall be forever

Glory be to the Spirit, Three in One Amen, Amen, Amen

CALL TO WORSHIP — Portions of Psalm 118

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;

I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

I will be glad and exult in you;

I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

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.

God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We confess and repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen

Renewing

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven,
whose sins are covered.
I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity.
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD."
And you forgave the guilt of my sin.

—
Psalm 32:1&5

Because of Jesus Christ,
And in Jesus Christ,
You are Loved and Forgiven.
Be at Peace.
Amen.

I Will Change Your Name — *D.J. Butler*

I will change your name.
You shall no longer be called
Wounded, Out - cast, Lonely or Afraid

I will change your name.
Your new name shall be
Confidence, Joyfulness, Overcoming One...

Faithfulness, Friend of God,
One who seeks my face.

Nothing But the Blood of Jesus

What can wash away my sin?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
What can make me whole again?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;

*Oh! precious is the flow
That makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;*

For my pardon, this I see,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
For my cleansing this my plea,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;

Glory! Glory! This I sing
Nothing but the blood of Jesus,
All my praise for this I bring
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;

Revelation Song — *Jennie Lee Riddle*

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

*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

ANNOUNCEMENTS, STUDENT DISMISSAL & GREETING

Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you. — Romans

Love one another deeply from the heart. — 1Peter 1:22

SONG OF PREPARATION

Speak, O Lord — *Getty/Townend*

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word
Take Your Truth, plant it deep in us
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory

QUOTES:

“The cross. Can you turn any direction without seeing one? Engraved on a ring or suspended on a chain? The cross is the universal symbol of Christianity. An odd choice, don’t you think? It’s strange that a tool of torture embodies a movement of hope.” — Max Lucado

“The Christian good news is all about God dying on a rubbish-heap at the wrong end of the Empire. It’s all babbling nonsense to a room full of philosophers. It’s all about the true God confronting the world of posturing, power and prestige, and overthrowing it in order to set up his own kingdom, a kingdom in which the weak and the foolish find themselves just as welcome as the strong and the wise, if not more so.” — N.T. Wright

“If we want proof of God’s love for us, then we must look first at the Cross where God offered up His Son as a sacrifice for our sins. Calvary is the one objective, absolute, irrefutable proof of God’s love for us.” — Jerry Bridges

“Jesus comes not for the super-spiritual but for the wobbly and the weak-kneed who know they don’t have it all together, and who are not too proud to accept the handout of amazing grace.” — Brennan Manning

“Life is wasted if we do not grasp the glory of the cross, cherish it for the treasure that it is, and cleave to it as the highest price of every pleasure and the deepest comfort in every pain. What was once foolishness to us—a crucified God—must become our wisdom and our power and our only boast in this world.” — John Piper

With the exception of the nursery, all students begin in the worship service. Upon dismissal students gather in room 231 for large group, then on to individual classes: Nursery Rm 234, PreK-2nd Rm 232, 3rd-6th Rm 231

MESSAGE SERIES: HOW PEOPLE CHANGE

Title: The Foolish Cross

Text: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

Speaker: Dave O'Connell

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹ For it is written:

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise;
the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate.”

²⁰ Where is the wise person? Where is the teacher of the law? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world?

²¹ For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe.

²² Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, ²³ but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴ but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵ For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

NOTES:

OFFERING — 1 Chronicles 29:9

Then the people rejoiced because they had offered so willingly,
for they made their offering to the Lord with a whole heart.

My Worth is Not in What I Own — *Keith & Kristyn Getty*

My worth is not in what I own
Not in the strength of flesh and bone
But in the costly wounds of love
At the cross

My worth is not in skill or name
In win or lose, in pride or shame
But in the blood of Christ that flowed
At the cross

*I rejoice in my Redeemer,
Greatest Treasure, Wellspring of my soul
I will trust in Him, no other.
My soul is satisfied in Him alone.*

As summer flowers we fade and die
Fame, youth and beauty hurry by
But life eternal calls to us
At the cross

I will not boast in wealth or might
Or human wisdom's fleeting light
But I will boast in knowing Christ
At the cross

Two wonders here that I confess
My worth and my unworthiness
My value fixed - my ransom paid
At the cross

Offering is a way for members and friends of Cross Sound to support the worship and work of the church, it's 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



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

I'll Fly Away — *Albert E. Brumley, 1929*

Some bright morning
When this life is over
I'll fly away
To that home
On God's celestial shore
I'll fly away

I'll fly away, oh glory
I'll fly away
When I die
Hallelujah, by and by
I'll fly away

When the shadows
Of this life have gone
I'll fly away
Like a bird
From these prison walls I'll fly
I'll fly away

Oh, how glad and happy
When we meet
I'll fly away
No more cold iron
Shackles on my feet
I'll fly away

Just a few more
Weary days and then
I'll fly away
To a land where
Joys will never end
I'll fly away

Sending

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

Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;
And he who has no money, come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.
— Isaiah

BENEDICTION — 2nd Corinthians 13:14

May the love of the Father, the grace of the Lord Jesus,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
Amen.

Announcements

Lunch with the Schuler's TODAY after service! Meet in the High School Library



Wyatt house Trick-or-Treating & Costume Parade Children are invited to parade their costumes at Wyatt House at 4pm on Halloween Day, Monday, October 31. (Masks required for adults and optional for children). A great way to bless our elder community, and then head downtown for the downtown festivities.



Wreaths + Garlands: It's that time of year again! Decorate your home this Christmas with fresh, locally made wreaths and garlands. Purchases benefit the Deacon's fund which supports the local community. Sign up at crosssound.org/events



FIRST AID ARTS Annual Benefit Dinner (www.firstaidarts.org)

Help children heal through beautifully strategic arts-based experiences. Saturday, Nov 5th. Tickets and info: <https://firstaidarts.ticketspice.com/2022-annual-benefit>

Women's Ministry For info on Bible Study, or upcoming events like Game Night and Advent Brunch, go to: www.crosssound.org/womens-ministry or email Ashley@crosssound.org

Men's Ministry For event info on Men's Breakfast, Hangout and Cycling Group, go to: www.crosssound.org/mens-ministry or email Dave@crosssound.org

Community Groups Small groups are places where meaningful relationships are developed, forming networks that provide individuals with support, inspiration, encouragement, and accountability. More at: crosssound.org/community-groups

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: _____
Second time visitor _____ Ministry Please add me to:
Regular attendee _____ Email list
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.