

SUNDAY, JUNE 6, 2021

“The single desire
that dominated
my search for
delight was
simply to love
and to be loved.”

—Augustine of Hippo (354-430)



Order of Worship
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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

PASTORS: Dave Sellers: dave@crosssound.org, or (206) 334-5205 and Dave O'Connell: daveoc@crosssound.org, or (314) 853-2695

To learn more about the entire staff and our team of Elders, Deacons, International Ministers and Community Group Leaders, visit our website: crosssound.org or call our office: **(206) 842-6898**

Gathering

Please join in song when ready

Our God — *Chris Tomlin*

Water you turned into wine, Opened the eyes of the blind
There's no one like you, None like you

Into the darkness you shine, Out of the ashes we rise
There is no one like you, None like you

Our God is greater
Our God is stronger
God you are higher than any other
Our God is Healer
Awesome in power
Our God, Our God

And if our God is for us, Then who could ever stop us
And if our God is with us, Then what could stand against

Our God is greater, Our God is stronger
God you are higher than any other
Our God is Healer, Awesome in power
Our God, Our God

CALL TO WORSHIP

The LORD reigns; He is robed in majesty;
the LORD is robed; He has put on strength as His belt.
Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved.
Your throne is established from of old;
you are from everlasting.
The floods have lifted up, O LORD,
the floods have lifted up their voice;
the floods lift up their roaring.
Mightier than the thunders of many waters,
mightier than the waves of the sea,
the LORD on high is mighty!
Your decrees are very trustworthy;
holiness befits your house,
O LORD, forevermore. — Psalm 93

Renewing

CONFESSION OF SIN

Make confession to God the Lord, and let everyone acknowledge with me his sin and iniquity.

Almighty God,

**We come to you now to be restored in you, renewed in you,
to receive your love and your life
and all the grace and mercy we so desperately need.**

**We confess to you our wrong doing, thinking, speaking;
the hurts we have done to others.**

**God, forgive us, for we have sinned against you,
and raise us to newness of life through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

May the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Holy Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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

Ever Be — *Kalley Heiligenthal*

Your love is devoted, like a ring of solid gold
Like a vow that is tested, like a covenant of old
And Your love is enduring through the winter rain
And beyond the horizon with mercy for today

Faithful You have been and faithful You will be
You pledge yourself to me, And that's why I sing

Your praise will ever be on my lips, ever be on my lips
Your praise will ever be on my lips, ever be on my lips

You father the orphan, Your kindness makes us whole
You shoulder our weakness, and Your strength becomes our own
Now You're making me like You, clothing me in white
Bringing beauty from ashes, for You will have your bride

Free of all her guilt and rid of all her shame
And known by her true name, And it's why I sing

Your praise will ever be on my lips, ever be on my lips
Your praise will ever be on my lips, ever be on my lips

You will be praised, You will be praised
With angels and saints we sing, "Worthy are You, Lord!"
You will be praised, You will be praised
With angels and saints we sing, "Worthy are You, Lord!"

Good, Good Father — *Pat Barrett, Tony Brown*

Oh, I've heard a thousand stories , Of what they think You're like
But I've heard the tender whisper, Of love in the dead of night
And You tell me, That You're pleased, And that I'm never alone

*You're a good, good Father, It's who You are, It's who You are, it's who You are
And I'm loved by You, It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am*

Oh, and I've seen many searching, for answers far and wide
But I know we're all searching, For answers only You provide
'Cause You know just what we need, Before we say a word

You are perfect in all of Your ways, You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

Oh, it's love so undeniable I, I can hardly speak
Peace so unexplainable, I, I can hardly think
As You call me deeper still [x3] Into love, love, love

JESUS STORYBOOK BIBLE

HONORING GRADUATES

LAMENTING

Deep calls to deep
 at the roar of your waterfalls;
all your breakers and your waves
 have gone over me.
By day the LORD commands His steadfast love,
 and at night His song is with me,
 a prayer to the God of my life.
I say to God, my rock:
 “Why have you forgotten me?
Why do I go mourning
 because of the oppression of the enemy?”
As with a deadly wound in my bones,
 my adversaries taunt me,
 while they say to me all the day long,
 “Where is your God?”
Why are you cast down, O my soul,
 and why are you in turmoil within me?
Hope in God; for I shall again praise Him,
 my salvation and my God. — Psalm 42:7-11

Message

Series: A New Beginning: What Now?

Text: Genesis 12:1-3

Title: Blessed to Bless

Speaker: Dave Sellers

Now the Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. ² And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

QUOTES

‘What matters to us, beyond mere existence, is the explicit confirmation: It is good that you exist; how wonderful that you are! In other words, what we need over and above sheer existence is: to be loved by another person.’ — Josef Pieper

‘First Corinthians 13 ought to encourage us to step back from even our most cherished projects and ask, “Why am I doing this?” If we cannot honestly say, “I am doing this for love and in love,” then the legitimacy of the whole enterprise must come under serious doubt. This test applies, of course, not just to explicitly religious practices but to everything we do: business, academics, politics.’ — Richard B Hays

‘Unless you see the image of God in the person across from you, you have not right to speak.’ — Dan Allender

‘Lament is the honest cry of a hurting heart wrestling with the paradox of pain and the promise of God’s goodness.’ — Mark Vroegop

NOTES

OFFERING

The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it,
the world, and those who live in it. — Psalm 24:1

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Heavenly Father, grant us grace to lead a life worthy
of the calling to which you have called us in your Son:
to bear with one another in humble love
in the unity of your Holy Spirit.

For this, O Lord, we pray:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus, risen King of the world,
rule over us in justice and mercy;
bring an end to violence and hatred on earth,
and establish your kingdom of peace.

For this, O Lord, we pray:

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Spirit of compassion and strength,
heal our broken hearts, bodies, and relationships.
Renew us in your presence,
and make us instruments of your life and love.

For this, O Lord, we pray:

Lord, hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Way Maker — *By Sinach, Arrangement by Leeland*

You are here, moving in our midst
I worship You, I worship You
You are here, working in this place
I worship You, I worship You

*You are Way Maker, Miracle Worker
Promise Keeper, Light in the darkness
My God, that is who You are*

You are here, touching every heart
I worship You, I worship You
You are here, healing every heart
I worship You, I worship You
You are here, turning lives around
I worship You, I worship You
You are here, mending every heart
I worship You, I worship You

Chorus

Bridge

Even when I don't see it, You're working
Even when I don't feel it, You're working
You never stop, never stop working
You never stop, never stop working

Sending

No One Like Our God — *Matt Redman*

Hallelujah, chains are broken,
Your death has spoken life to us
And every accusation, all our condemnation,
Silenced at the cross

Hallelujah, free salvation,
The burden of a world so lost
Lifted from our shoulders,
Carried by the Savior's passion at the cross

*There is no one like our God,
There is no one like our Savior
How great is Your blessing, How great is Your love,
There is no one like our God*

Never has there been, Never will there be
A God like You who came down in mercy
Never will there be, A greater hope than this
There is no one like our God

BENEDICTION

Peace between nations,
peace between neighbors,
peace between loved ones
in the love of the God of life:
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.

Announcements

Ensenada 2021! Saturday, Nov. 20th – Friday, Nov. 26th. Families, singles and youth are all encouraged to go. The number of homes we will build will depend on how many people sign up - so let us know if you're interested! Sign-up now for more info: <https://crosssound.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/787698> Or email mail Stu Childers at Stuart@seattlePump.com

Women's Ministry — Summer events! Upcoming events, June- August: Brunch at the Park; Hike'n'Stein; Lytle Beach S'mores and more; Summer Book Circle; Coffee at Pleasant Beach; Project Backpack. Way too much to fit into this announcement— look for an email from me, or on the CSC website: crosssound.org for more details on all of these! Questions? kerri@crosssound.org

Men's Ministry As a church, we want to be supportive of each other via Community Groups, Men's Bible Study, small groups, worship, and friendships. If you want to connect, please email, text or call Dave Sellers (206) 334.5205.
- MEN'S RETREAT: Save the date! Sept.17-19, 2021 @ Ft. Worden
- FRIDAY AM BIBLE STUDY: email irbarbers@gmail.com for Zoom link

Children's Ministry REGISTRATION FOR CROSS SOUND CAMP AT ISLAND LAKE CAMP IN POULSBO IS NOW OPEN! August 16th—20th, 10am—4pm. (The camp is taking every Covid precaution this Summer. All activities will be outdoors, all attendees will be wearing masks, and we will not be providing transportation from Bainbridge to Island Lake this Summer). Please reach out to Laura O'Connell at lauraoc@crosssound.org if you have any questions. Open to all current Kindergarten-8th grade students (we'd love for older students to sign up as counselors!) We hope you can join us! Register here: <https://crosssound.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/791284>

HELP NEEDED Dear Church, we are looking to fill three positions: a CHILDREN'S MINISTRY CO-LEADER and a SOUND ENGINEER for Sunday In-Person Worship. Email info@crosssound.org if you are interested or want more info.

CS Youth is looking for a SUMMER CO-LEADER for High School events. 5-15 hours per week. Responsibilities include assisting with: planning and leading ministry activities and 9th-12th grade social outings on a weekly basis. Key qualities: be a follower of Christ, flexible schedule, quick to adapt to change, patient, kind, and willing to put up with all kinds of shenanigans. Must be 21+, have a driver's license with a clean driving record, and having attended Cross Sound Church for 6+ months. Contact Josh at josh@crosssound.org for information.

If you need support, would like prayer, have a question, or are suffering COVID-19 Hardship contact: info@crosssound.org Find info about COVID-19 at: www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/Coronavirus

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.