

# Life with Christ is a wonderful adventure. And the beautiful thing about this adventure is that we can count on Him.

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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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# Gathering

CALL TO WORSHIP — Portions of 1Chronicles 16

Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known what he has done.Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts.The Lord is most worthy of praise.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever. Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

### 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.

### Heavenly Father,

In grace you have loved us. In grace you have saved us. In grace you have made us yours.

And now we confess that we still daily need that same grace, for all the ways that we turn away from you.

Forgive us again for our many shortcomings and sin. And in your grace, please lead us to higher, sweeter, and deeper places with you.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

There is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus.... God himself has given us right standing with him. Who then will condemn us? No one! For Christ Jesus died for us and was raised to life for us.... Nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is ours in Christ Jesus our Lord. — Romans 8:1, 33-34, 39

Because of Jesus Christ, and in Jesus Christ, you are loved, and you are forgiven. Rejoice!

**Lead Me to the Cross** — Brooke Ligertwood Savior, I come, quiet my soul, remember Redemption's hill Where Your blood was spilled for my ransom Everything I once held dear I count it all as loss

(Chorus): Lead me to the cross, Where Your love poured out, Bring me to my knees, Lord, I lay me down Rid me of myself, I belong to You, Oh, lead me, Lead me to the cross

You were as I, tempted and tried, human The Word became flesh, bore my sin and death, Now You're risen Everything I once held dear, I count it all as loss

(Chorus): Lead me to the cross, Where Your love poured out ...

Bridge: To your heart. To your heart. Lead me to your heart. Lead me to your heart

(Chorus): Lead me to the cross, Where Your love poured out ...

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.

#### Reckless Love - Cory Asbury

Before I spoke a word, You were singing over me, You have been so, so good to me Before I took a breath, You breathed Your life in me, You have been so, so kind to me

(Chorus): Oh the overwhelming, never ending, reckless love of God Oh, it chases me down, fights 'till I'm found, leaves the ninety nine I couldn't earn it I don't deserve it Still, You give yourself away Oh the overwhelming, never ending, reckless love of God

When I was Your foe, still Your love fought for me, You have been so, so good to me When I felt no worth, You paid it all for me You have been so, so kind to me

(Chorus): Oh the overwhelming, never ending, reckless love of God ...

Bridge: There's no shadow You won't light up, mountain You won't climb up, coming after me There's no wall You won't kick down, No lie You won't tear down, coming after me

(Chorus): Oh the overwhelming, never ending, reckless love of God

**Resurrecting** — Chris Brown | Mack Brock | Matthews Ntlele | Steven Furtick | Wade Joye The head that once was crowned with thorns, Is crowned with glory now The Savior knelt to wash our feet, Now at his feet we bow

The one who wore our sin and shame, Now robed in majesty, The radiance of perfect love, Now shines for all to see

(Chorus): Your name, Your name, Is victory, All praise, Will rise, To Christ our king

The fear that held us now gives way, To him who is our peace, His final breath upon the cross, Is now alive in me

(Chorus): Your name, Your name, Is victory, All praise, Will rise, To Christ our king (x2)

(Bridge): By your spirit I will rise, From the ashes of defeat, The resurrected king, Is resurrecting me In your name I come alive, To declare your victory, The resurrected king, Is resurrecting me

The tomb where soldiers watched in vain, Was borrowed for three days His body there would not remain, Our God has robbed the grave , Our God has robbed the grave

(Chorus): Your name, Your name, Is victory, All praise, Will rise, To Christ our king (x2)

(Bridge): By your spirit I will rise, From the ashes of defeat...

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

### SERMON SERIES: JOURNEYING TOWARDS THE CROSS

#### Title: A Sent People Text: Luke 10:1-16 Speaker: Dave O'Connell

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go. <sup>2</sup> He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. <sup>3</sup> Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. <sup>4</sup> Do not take a purse or bag or sandals; and do not greet anyone on the road.

<sup>5</sup> "When you enter a house, first say, 'Peace to this house.' <sup>6</sup> If someone who promotes peace is there, your peace will rest on them; if not, it will return to you. <sup>7</sup> Stay there, eating and drinking whatever they give you, for the worker deserves his wages. Do not move around from house to house.

<sup>8</sup> "When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is offered to you. 9 Heal the sick who are there and tell them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'<sup>10</sup> But when you enter a town and are not welcomed, go into its streets and say, <sup>11</sup> 'Even the dust of your town we wipe from our feet as a warning to you. Yet be sure of this: The kingdom of God has come near.'<sup>12</sup> I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town....

<sup>16</sup> "Whoever listens to you listens to me; whoever rejects you rejects me; but whoever rejects me rejects him who sent me."

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 — 1Peter 1:17-18

For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed..., but with the precious blood of Christ.

LEADER: What right do we have to dine at the Table of Jesus? CHURCH: **We have every right to dine at his Table**.

LEADER: What gives us this right?

CHURCH: We have this right because Jesus came not for the strong, but for the weak; not for the righteous, but for sinners; not for the self-sufficient, but for those who know they need rescue. To all who are weary and need rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who are weak and desire strength; to all who sin and need a Savior — Jesus welcomes into his circle, adopts into his family, and reserves a place at his Table.

OFFERING — Offering is a way for members and friends 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

Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment. Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and generous to those in need, always being ready to share with others. — 1 Timothy 6:17-18 (NLT)

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").



**How Great Thou Art** — Words: Stuart Wesley Keene Hine, 1953; Tune: Swedish folk melody O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder, Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed

Chorus: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee, How great Thou art, how great Thou art. Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee, How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

And when I think, that God, His son not sparing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in; That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin.

Chorus: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee ...

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation And take me home what joy shall fill my heart Then I shall bow, in humble adoration, And there proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!"

Chorus: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee ... x2

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, forver. Amen.

## Sending

I Will Follow — Chris Tomlin
Where You go, I'll go, Where You stay, I'll stay,
When You move, I'll move, I will follow...
All Your ways are good, All Your ways are sure,
I will trust in You aloneHigher than my sight,
High above my life, I will trust in You alone, (trust in You alone)

Chorus: Where You go, I'll go, Where You stay, I'll stay, When You move, I'll move, I will follow you Who You love, I'll love, How You serve I'll serve, If this life I lose, I will follow You, I will follow You

Light unto the world, Light unto my life, I will live for You alone You're the one I seek, Knowing I will find, All I need in You alone, (in You alone)

Chorus: Where You go, I'll go, Where You stay, I'll stay ...

Bridge:

In You there's life everlasting, In You there's freedom for my soul, In You there's joy, unending joy, And I will follow

Chorus: Where You go, I'll go, Where You stay, I'll stay... (x2) I will follow You, I will follow You, I will follow You

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. **Amen**.

#### 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!

### Announcements

• Ash Wednesday is February 14: Many associate Ash Wednesday with Roman Catholicism; but it's also commonly practiced by Protestants. Ash Wednesday is the beginning of Lent, the 40 days leading up to Easter and at it's core is

getting the gospel: gospel dynamics, gospel application, and gospel stories going deeper into our lives. Here's a helpful article on the meaning of and preparation for Lent: Keeping a Holy Lent: follow QR CODE >>>>> Join us for our 7pm service at the CS Office- 600 Ericksen Ave #210. This is a family-friendly service - kids are welcome and encouraged!

• Small Group Sign Up Small groups are places where meaningful relationships are developed. They form support networks that provide individuals with support, inspiration, encouragement, and accountability. They are places where one can be prayed for as well as pray for others. In this environment, members experience community and are equipped for ministry. If you are interested in joining a group, or learning more, sign up on the clipboard, go to: crosssound.org/ small-groups or email Dave: dave@crosssound.org

• School of Discipleship Tonight @ 6pm at the Church Office! We continue to draw closer to Jesus through a program called "The Prayer Practice". Dinner and Childcare provided! Interested? email: katiepearson@crosssound.org

**The Cuba Team** is preparing for their upcoming trip and are collecting opaque

plastic bags (grocery-style). If you have any to donate, please bring them to the Church Office! Thank you so much! Also, there have been specific requests for supplies, household goods and activities. If you are interested in purchasing an item, please follow this link: t.ly/matanzas or follow this QR CODE >>>>

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





### 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:		
Prayer Requests/Comm	ents:	

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 that 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.