



A new sense
of 'church' had emerged,
open and inclusive,
replacing the hermetically
sealed model that had
kept the 'good folks' in
and the 'bad folks' out.

Greg Boyle
Tattoos on the Heart

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

O Love that Will Not Let Me Go — *George Matheson, 1882/Christopher Miner, 1997*

O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
That in thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

O Light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain,
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. — Philippians 2:5-11

Renewing

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

God,

We praise you for the privilege of knowing you and being loved by you. Yet we live our days as though we're in charge, carrying out our desires and bending others to our will. We fear that if we love others sacrificially, no one will take care of us, so we fight for our kingdoms and our will be done. Father, forgive us for our sin. Jesus, you submitted to the will of your Father, loving us sacrificially as you carried our cross up the hill of execution and died in our place. Hear us as we silently confess...

RECEIVING OF GRACE — Romans 5:17, 1

For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen

Come, Ye Sinners — *Joseph Hart (1759); Music: William Walker (1835)*

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.

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.

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

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.

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.

We Will Feast in the House of Zion — Sandra McCracken

We will feast in the house of Zion.

We will sing with our hearts restored.

“He has done great things,” we will say together.

We will feast, and weep no more.

We will not be burned by the fire;

He is the Lord our God.

We are not consumed by the flood -

Upheld, protected, gathered up.

In the dark of night before the dawn,

My soul be not afraid;

For the promised morning, Oh how long!

O God of Jacob, be my strength!

Every vow we’ve broken and betrayed,

You are the faithful One;

And from the garden to the grave,

Bind us together, bring shalom.

Sing to the King

Sing to the King Who is coming to reign

Glory to Jesus, the Lamb that was slain

Life and salvation His empire shall bring

And joy to the nations when Jesus is King

Come, let us sing a song

A song declaring we belong to Jesus

He is all we need

Lift up a heart of praise

Sing now with voices raised to Jesus

Sing to the King

For His returning we watch and we pray

We will be ready the dawn of that day

We’ll join in singing with all the redeemed

‘Cause Satan is vanquished and Jesus is King

LAMENTING — Psalm 31:9-11, 13-16

Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress;
my eye is wasted from grief;
my soul and my body also.

**For my life is spent with sorrow,
and my years with sighing;
my strength fails because of my iniquity,
and my bones waste away.**

Because of all my adversaries I have become a reproach,
especially to my neighbors,
**and an object of dread to my acquaintances;
those who see me in the street flee from me.**

For I hear the whispering of many—
terror on every side!—
**as they scheme together against me,
as they plot to take my life.**

But I trust in you, O LORD;
I say, “You are my God.”
**My times are in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my persecutors!
Make your face shine on your servant;
save me in your steadfast love!**

GREETING

QUOTES:

Shame needs three things to grow exponentially in our lives: secrecy, silence and judgment. — Brene Brown

“Paul calls leaders not merely to be humble and self-effacing but to be desperate and honest. It is not enough to be self-revealing, authentic, and transparent. Our calling goes far beyond that. We are called to be reluctant, limping, chief-sinner leaders, and even more, to be stories. The word that Paul uses is that a leader is to be an “example,” but what that implies is more than a figure on a flannel board. He calls us to be a living portrayal of the very gospel we beseech others to believe. And that requires a leader to see himself as being equally prone to deceive as he is to tell the truth, to manipulate as he is to bless, to cower as he is to be bold. A leader is both a hero and a fool, a saint and a felon.” — Dan B. Allender, *Leading with a Limp*

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.

Message

Series: A New Beginning: What Now?

Text: 1 Timothy 1:15-17

Title: Core Value: We are a Gospel Culture where it's Safe to be Open about our Wounds, Doubts, Hopes and Joys

Speaker: Dave Sellers

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶ But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷ To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

NOTES:

OFFERING

So here's what I want you to do, God helping you:
Take your everyday, ordinary life—
your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—
and place it before God as an offering.
Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him.
— Romans 12:1, The Message

Lord of Lords — *Hillsong United*

Beholding Your beauty is all that I long for
To worship You, Jesus, is my sole desire
For this very heart You have shaped for Your pleasure
Purposed to lift Your Name higher

Here in surrender, in pure adoration
I enter Your courts with an offering of praise
I am Your servant, come to bring You glory
As is fit for the work of Your hands

*Now unto the Lamb Who sits on the throne
Be glory and honor and praise
All of creation resounds with the song
Worship and praise Him, the Lord of lords*

Spirit now living and dwelling within me
Keep my eyes fixed ever on Jesus' face
Let not the things of this world ever sway me
I'll run 'til I finish the race

Chorus

Holy Lord, You are holy
Jesus Christ is the Lord

Chorus

The offering is a way for members and friends of Cross Sound Church to support the worship and work of the church, its mission and ministry. If you are our guest today, please feel no obligation to give. If you prefer to give online, go to www.crosssound.org/give

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Father,

Would you create a gospel culture within us?

Open our eyes to the beauty and implications

of Jesus living for us, dying for us, and being raised for us.

For this, O Lord, we pray:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus,

Please bring peace to our cities, country and world.

May we be light to the darkness around us,

And salt, preserving this world that you love.

For this, O Lord, we pray:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Holy Spirit,

Raise the fallen, provide for the poor,

heal the sick, and lead those who have lost their way.

For this, O Lord, we pray:

Lord, hear our prayer.

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, and the power,

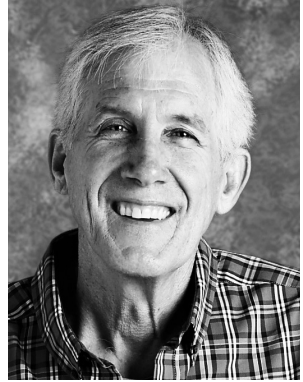
and the glory forever and ever,

Amen.

Sending

INTRODUCING BILL PARROTT

“I have been married to my beautiful wife Lisa for 41 years. I am the youngest of three boys and the Good Lord saw fit to bless me with four daughters – and I love it! My favorite thing in life is being a husband and father and I am officially listed in the Guinness Book of World Records as the “World’s Most Blessed Dad.” I have been serving with preschool and elementary-aged kids for almost 50 years and for the last 10 years I have taught 5th grade at Gateway Christian School in Poulsbo. Writing and recording songs about the Lord is a passion dear to my heart.



It has been said that the gospel is “one beggar telling another beggar where to find bread” and that is what motivates me to work with kids. The God of the universe came on a rescue mission to save this beggar from my sin, and my highest calling is to invite kids to know and love the God who saves.” — Bill

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

Gracious God, in words and interactions
we have proclaimed the mystery
of your love and forgiveness:
help us to love out our days
that we may be signs of your wonders in the world;
through Jesus Christ our Savior.

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

All-Church Luncheon Remember to stay after church for lunch!

Sunday Morning Prayer Share a pastry and cup of coffee, catch up with friends, have a 5-minute encouraging devotional, and then pray. Pray for our church, our worship service, for our community and beyond. Join us all summer long at 9am in the HS library.

Children's Ministry

- Beginning Sunday, August 1st - an outdoor children's program will be offered for preschool-6th grade during the sermon. The Family Friendly Livestream room continues to be available for those with infants and toddlers. We're so glad those of you with children are joining us. They are an important part of our worship, they belong here, and their wiggles and noises are part of the energy God has given them. Feel free to quietly explain the parts of service, and allow them to learn how to worship by watching you.

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: Sept. 17-19, 2021 at Ft. Worden Sign up here:

<https://crosssound.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/225443>

- FRIDAY AM BIBLE STUDY: email irbarbers@gmail.com for Zoom link 3,051.47

Women's Ministry — July

HIKE'N'STEIN: Join us this Saturday, August 7! Meet at church office parking lot at 9 AM; carpool to Central Mkt in Poulsbo to pick up ppl there at 9:20. Hike at Gold Creek Trail on Green Mountain (near Bremerton). Lunch/beverages at The Slippery Pig in Poulsbo afterwards. MUST RSVP to kerri@crosssound.org by *Friday 8/6/21 for carpool planning!*

SUMMER BOOK CIRCLE: Wednesday morning at Egleddale Park, 9:45-11:15 AM; Prayer in the Night by Tish Harrison Warren. Bring chair/blanket to sit on; child care provided.

PROJECT BACKPACK FOR HELPLINE HOUSE: donate throughout August toward the 144 reams of paper we gave to Helpline House for students this fall! Designate and drop in offering basket, or donate online— click on the “Women's Ministry: Project Backpack” button.

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.