

“The cross guarantees that even in your darkest moment God will never turn in disgust and walk away. There is no rebellion, no weakness, no foolishness, no evil of heart that the cross can't defeat and grace can't transform.”

– Paul Tripp



Welcome

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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crosssound.org or call our office: **(206) 842-6898**

Gathering

Please join in song when ready

Gloria Patri

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

I Cry Out

I cry out, for Your hand of mercy to heal me.
I am weak, and I need your love to free me.
Oh Lord, my rock. My strength in weakness.
Come rescue me, Oh Lord.

You are my hope and Your promise never fails — me.
And my desire is to follow you forever.
For you are good, for you are good
For you are good to me.
For you are good, for you are good
For you are good to me

CALL TO WORSHIP

The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof,
the world and those who dwell therein,
for he has founded it upon the seas
and established it upon the rivers.

Lift up your heads, O gates!
And lift them up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?
The Lord of hosts,
he is the King of glory! Selah

—Psalm 24:1-2,9-10

Renewing

CONFESSIONS OF SIN

(Confession happens within the context of relationship, both with God and with each other as we acknowledge our need for forgiveness. Jesus promises that He freely forgives sins removing all of our past regrets. You are invited to personalize your confession as we pray silently).

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

Jesus, giver of all good gifts, forgive us for looking to any other for blessing. Jesus, giver of our salvation, forgive us our attempts to live in our own strength. Jesus, giver of life and healing, forgive us our sins and offenses.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND RECEIVING OF GRACE

May almighty God,
who sent his Son into the world to save sinners,
bring you his pardon and peace, now and forever.
Amen.

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone! – who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied –
For every sin on Him was laid:
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine –
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till he returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

Text in bold is read by the entire congregation. Plain text is read by the worship leader only.

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Chorus

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.

Rising Sun

Praise Him all you sinners
Sing oh sing you weary
Oh praise Him all you children of God
We lift high His glory
Shown throughout our stories
We praise Him as the children of God

Our Great Redeemer
Glorious Savior
Your name is higher than the rising sun
Light of the morning
You shine forever
Your name is higher than the rising sun
Your name is higher than the rising sun

Praise His name forever
Speak it loud and clear now
Oh praise Him all you children of God

Our Great Redeemer
Glorious Savior
Your name is higher than the rising sun
Light of the morning
You shine forever
Your name is higher than the rising sun
Your name is higher than the rising sun

Hallelujah name above all
Simply to speak Your name is praise
Hallelujah I will always forever
We lift your name in praise

The largest book in the Bible is primarily a book of poems set to music to sing God's praises. This is all part of God's design to surround His presence with singing. Expressing gratitude to God expresses dependence upon God and is an antidote for cynicism, criticism, and bitterness.

GIVING THANKS

God, my God, I yelled for help
and you put me together.
God, you pulled me out of the grave,
gave me another chance at life
when I was down-and-out.
You did it: you changed wild lament
into whirling dance;
You ripped off my black mourning band
and decked me with wildflowers.
I'm about to burst with song;
I can't keep quiet about you.
God, my God, I can't thank you enough.
—Psalm 30:2-3,11-12

SERMON

Series: Daring Generosity
Text: Philippians 4:14-23
Title: Kingdom Generosity
Speaker: Dave Sellers

Yet it was kind of you to share my trouble. ¹⁵And you Philippians yourselves know that in the beginning of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church entered into partnership with me in giving and receiving, except you only. ¹⁶Even in Thessalonica you sent me help for my needs once and again. ¹⁷Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit. ¹⁸I have received full payment, and more. I am well supplied, having received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent, a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God. ¹⁹And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. ²⁰To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

²¹Greet every saint in Christ Jesus. The brothers who are with me greet you. ²²All the saints greet you, especially those of Caesar's household.

²³The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

OFFERING

How does God's love abide in anyone
who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister
in need and yet refuses to help?
Dear children, let us love,
not in word or speech,
but also in truth and action.
—1 John 3:17-18

The Master's Calling

Listen while you still can hear
Listen while you still can hear
The Master's calling
The Master's calling

Bow down while your knees still bend
Bow down while your knees still bend
The Master's calling
The Master's calling

I don't wanna walk away
Walk away from Him
No, I don't wanna walk away
Don't wanna walk away from Him
Bind me to your side
Bind me to your side

Seek him though your eyes don't see
Seek him though your eyes don't see
The Master's calling
The Master's calling

Praise him while your lips still sing
Praise him while your lips still sing
The Master's calling
The Master's calling

I don't wanna walk away
Walk away from Him
No, I don't wanna walk away
Walk away from Him
Bind me to your side
Bind me to your side

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**God our Father, your Son was the perfect steward
living in obedience to the law for our sake
and given the Name that is above every name:
give us grace faithfully to bear his Name
and to proclaim him as the Savior of the world.
For this, O Lord, we pray:
Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Lord Jesus, at your name every knee will bow:
grant grace to all rulers and leaders,
that they might seek your face for life,
your blessing as our security and safety,
and your countenance as our only peace.
For this, O Lord, we pray:
Lord, hear our prayer.**

Spirit of Christ, you adopt us as God's children,
and cry out in our hearts, "Abba, Father":
draw near now to the suffering and afflicted –
the sick, dying, lonely, imprisoned, and endangered –
that they may glorify and praise your name.
For this, O Lord, we pray:
Lord, hear our prayer

And for what else should we pray?
Please add your own prayers at this time, ending with,
"For this, O Lord, we pray" and all responding,
"Lord, hear our prayer."

Now gathering our prayers into one, let us pray boldly as our
Savior has taught us:

**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 for ever and ever. Amen.**

COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.
All And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
All We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All It is right to give thanks and praise.

There is a Fountain

There is fountain filled with blood
Drawn from Emmanuel's veins;
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see
That fountain in his day;
And there may I, though vile as he,
Wash all my sins away.

Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood
Shall never lose its power
'Til all the ransomed church of God
Be saved to sin no more.

E'er since, by faith, I saw the stream
Thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme,
And shall be 'til I die.

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 a follower of Jesus or are not prepared to share in the meal, we encourage you instead to spend this time in prayer ("Prayers for Reflection"). We hope this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with his people, the church.

When this poor lisping, stammering tongue
Lies silent in the grave,
Then in a nobler, sweeter song,
I'll sing Thy pow'r to save.

One Thing Remains

Your love never fails, it never gives up
Never runs out on me

Higher than the mountains that I face
Stronger than the power of the grave
Constant in the trial and the change
This one thing remains

Your love never fails, it never gives up
Never runs out on me

On and on and on and on it goes
It overwhelms and satisfies my soul
And I'll never, ever have to be afraid
This one thing remains
This one thing remains

Your love never fails, it never gives up
Never runs out on me

In death, in life
I'm confident and covered by
The power of Your great love
My debt is paid
There's nothing that could separate
My heart from Your great love

Your love never fails, it never gives up
Never runs out on me

Sending

BENEDICTION

May God the Father,
who has given to his Son the name above every name,
strengthen you to proclaim Christ as Lord;
and the blessing of God almighty,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be among you, and remain with you always.
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

Stay for lunch TODAY! We invite you to stay after the service for a welcome lunch. Great opportunity to get to know some of our congregation and staff if you are new or visiting or...if you are an "old-timer" stay to welcome new or visiting people.

School of Discipleship presents: 6 WEEKS OF GRACE CHALLENGES starting Sun, Jan. 22 @ 9am. Begin this New Year with a unique class where we will live out our faith together with a different "Grace Challenge" each week. Each subsequent Sunday we'll gather to share stories of what God did and receive the next challenge. Not just a class. An experience. A practical and exciting opportunity to live out our life of faith in a fun and unique way.

Our nation has chosen a new president....now what? We would love to explore that question together, as a diverse, but united church family. Please consider joining us for our next round of Political Round Table Discussions on Sunday evenings, Jan. 22 & Jan. 29. Both sessions will be from 5-7p.m. @ the church office and will include both dinner and childcare. Please contact Marit Krueger at marit@crosssound.org to sign up or for further questions.

It's time to sign up for our CSC Women's Retreat happening on March 10, 11 and 12. This year, we are heading up to Nature Bridge and we'll stay in rustic cabins nestled in the Olympic Forest along the shores of Lake Crescent. Space is extremely limited, with spaces for only 35 and 20 have already paid and signed up - so hurry and register if you'd like to join us. There will be amazing times of worship, teaching, prayer, fellowship, laughter, relaxation and renewal. Please register with Marit Krueger at marit@crosssound.org.

A new session for Women's Bible Study is beginning this week, Wed Jan. 4th and continue to meet Wed.mornings all winter long from 9-11:30 a.m. at the church office. Childcare is available. We are excited to be doing a 13-week study on JOY and the book of Philippians. Studies are available both at the church office or on the book table after church service. Join us for this great opportunity to meet other women, grow in your faith and increase opportunities to find real happiness and JOY during the dark days of winter.

Suquamish Community Kitchen Wednesday, Jan. 11 Cross Sound will be preparing and serving dinner at the Suquamish Community Kitchen the 2nd Wed. of every other month. (Jan, March, May, July) Please email Rick and Trish Maguire at cpmetr@msn.com if you would like to join the SCK team.

Intro to Cross Sound Church We would love for you to consider becoming a member if you are not yet. Why join the church? Part of discipleship is church membership. You can't have community without having commitment. It's how we learn to belong together, love each other, and serve each other; it's also how we love and serve the world around us, all for the glory and enjoyment of God. Four week class starts Jan. 22 at 8:45AM upstairs in BHS classroom. Email Penny@crosssound.org

You don't need to go it alone...Join a Community Group! Cross Sound Community Groups are small groups of ten to sixteen members. The time together is split among Bible study, personal application and relationships. Please email Roger Barber irbarbers@gmail.com if you are interested in joining or changing a group.

CS Kids and Youth Group

Small Beginnings Nursery (new–2yrs) Room #234

Contact: Jennifer Cordell, rjcordell5@yahoo.com

Little Kids (3–5yrs) Room #232

Lead Teacher: Deby Berkimer, debyberkimer@outlook.com

Kindergarten Room #231

Lead teacher Jeannie Bastiani

First & Second grades Room #229

Teachers Beth Johnston and Diane Stever

Third & Fourth grades Room #225

Teachers Jenny Kilby, Carol Raney and Knox Duncan

Fifth & Sixth grades Room 222

Teachers Carrie Sellers, Cheryl Keech and Trish Maguire

Contact Jennifer Cordell at rjcordell5@yahoo.com with any questions and for ways to be involved with Cross Sound Church Children's Ministry

YOUTH GROUP

Junior High, Bainbridge High School Library

Teachers Lisa Bernardin, Bruce Johnston and John Daniels

Senior High, Bainbridge High School Library

Teachers Josh and Jamie Brouwer and Sarah Baird

WEDNESDAYS 6:30–8:30pm – H.S. CSC Youth Group at the Brouwer's home: 8874 Battle Point Dr. NE. Bainbridge Island.

THURSDAYS 6:30–8:00pm – Jr. High CSC Youth Group at the Cross Sound Office: 600 Ericksen Ave. NE #210.

Contact Josh Brouwer at josh@crosssound.org with any questions or to be involved.

Prayer Needs

Avery Berg

Kai Johnson

Blevins Family

Susan Shoemaker

Darcy Wells

Marriages

RUF at UW

Pastor Lori's family

Bob Wendel

Job security

Our schools

The Cruz Family

Jon and Katie Bonker

BHS Students

First Aid Arts

Cuba

Katarina Krueger

Basque students

Mexico City and

Redeemer Church

Our Military

Our youth

If you have prayer requests or prayers of thanksgiving that you would like to share on this page please email Penny@crosssound.org or indicate on the prayer request page and drop it in the offering basket. Our prayer team prays for these requests throughout the week.

NOTES: