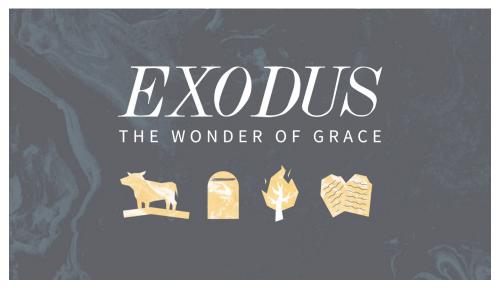
REDEENER SOUTHWEST CHURCH



Sunday, March 24, 2019 "The Golden Calf"

Song of Gathering

Arise My Soul Arise

Call to Worship: Psalm 106

Leader: Praise the Lord!

ALL: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!

Leader: They made a calf in Horeb and worshiped a metal image. They exchanged the glory of God for the image of an ox that eats grass. They forgot God, their Savior, who had done great things in Egypt, Therefore he said he would destroy them— had not Moses, his chosen one, stood in the breach before him, to turn away his wrath from destroying them.

ALL: Save us, O Lord our God, and gather us from among the nations, that we may give thanks to your holy name and glory in your praise.

O God of Mercy Hear Our Plea

Praising God & Confessing Our Sins

The Good News: Hebrews 10:11-14

11 And every priest stands daily at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. 12 But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, 13 waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet. 14 For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.

Greeting

Songs of Praise

Christ is Mine Forevermore Before the Throne of God Above

Thanking God & Praying for Others

Scripture Reading & Sermon

Exodus 32 (see insert)

Songs of Response & Sending

Lead Us Back All My Ways Are Known To You

Benediction

May the LORD bless you and keep you; May the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; May the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace, Both now and forevermore. Amen.

Proclamation of God's Word

1 When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered themselves together to Aaron and said to him, "Up, make us gods who shall go before us. As for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." 2 So Aaron said to them, "Take off the rings of gold that are in the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." 3 So all the people took off the rings of gold that were in their ears and brought them to Aaron. 4 And he received the gold from their hand and fashioned it with a graving tool and made a golden calf. And they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" 5 When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it. And Aaron made a proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a feast to the Lord." 6 And they rose up early the next day and offered burnt offerings and brought peace offerings. And the people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play. 7 And the Lord said to Moses, "Go down, for your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves... 10 Now therefore let me alone, that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, in order that I may make a great nation of you."

11 But Moses implored the Lord his God and said, "O Lord... Turn from your burning anger and relent from this disaster against your people. 13 Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, to whom you swore by your own self, and said to them, 'I will multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your offspring, and they shall inherit it forever.' " 14 And the Lord relented from the disaster that he had spoken of bringing on his people. 15 Then Moses turned and went down from the mountain with the two tablets of the testimony in his hand...

19 And as soon as he came near the camp and saw the calf and the dancing, Moses' anger burned hot, and he threw the tablets out of his hands and broke them at the foot of the mountain. 20 He took the calf that they had made and burned it with fire and ground it to powder and scattered it on the water and made the people of Israel drink it. 22 And Aaron said, "Let not the anger of my lord burn hot. You know the people, that they are set on evil. 23 For they said to me, 'Make us gods who shall go before us... 24 So I said to them, 'Let any who have gold take it off.' So they gave it to me, and I threw it into the fire, and out came this calf."

25 And when Moses saw that the people had broken loose...26 [he] stood in the gate of the camp and said, "Who is on the Lord's side? Come to me." And all the sons of Levi gathered around him. 27 And he said to them, "Thus says the Lord God of Israel, 'Put your sword on your side each of you, and go to and fro from gate to gate throughout the camp, and each of you kill his brother and his companion and his neighbor.' "28 And the sons of Levi did according to the word of Moses. And that day about three thousand men of the people fell. 30 The next day Moses said to the people, "You have sinned a great sin. And now I will go up to the Lord; perhaps I can make atonement for your sin." 31 So Moses returned to the Lord and said, "Alas, this people has sinned a great sin. They have made for themselves gods of gold. 32 But now, if you will forgive their sin—but if not, please blot me out of your book that you have written." 33 But the Lord said to Moses, "Whoever has sinned against me, I will blot out of my book. 34 But now go, lead the people to the place about which I have spoken to you; behold, my angel shall go before you. Nevertheless, in the day when I visit, I will visit their sin upon them." 35 Then the Lord sent a plague on the people, because they made the calf, the one that Aaron made.

Exodus 32:1-7, 10-15, 19-20, 22-28, 30-35 (ESV)

Sermon Series: Exodus: The Wonder of Grace *Sermon Title*: The Golden Calf *Date*: March 24, 2019

I. A Great Sin

II. A Greater Mediator

Discussion Questions

1. What difference does it make to your view of your sin and yourself when you see sin as idolatry, and idolatry as adultery?

2. Do you value leadership that leads where you need to go, or where you want to go? Would you appreciate Moses, or Aaron?

3. What goes wrong in our lives and faith if we either forget God's mercy or downplay his holiness?

4. What compromises in obedience do you make yourself, or excuse in others?

5. Jesus says to us, "God will never blot out your name, because he blotted out mine." How does knowing this motivate you to do something about the compromises you identified in answer to the previous question?

Announcements

Redeemer 101: If you're wanting to learn more about the beliefs, values and practices of Redeemer, or if you'd like to become a member, join us for this two-part class on **April 7 & 14** following the worship service. Both sessions will be at Redeemer City Church (1410 Dundee Road). Lunch and childcare are provided. You can register online at: **redeemerwh.org/rsw101**.

Holy Week Schedule: During Holy Week - the week leading up to Easter - we will be having daily Person of Jesus lessons at noon (lunch & childcare will be provided). We will also be having our annual Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services at 6pm on April 18 & 19. We do ask that you would RSVP for the Maundy Thursday service so that we can plan for food. RSVP at redeemerwh.org/mt. These events will be held at Redeemer City Church.

Splash Bash: Parents, save the date!! We'll be returning to Lake Eva Water Park in Haines City to kick-off the summer **Saturday, June 8 from 9:30-11:30am**. This is a great opportunity to invite a friend or neighbor!

Get Connected: You can keep up with sermons, worship, events & our Bible reading plan by downloading our church app, **redeemerwh.org/app**.

Worship Playlists: Follow our weekly set list on Spotify & Apple Music so that you can become familiar with the songs that we'll be singing on Sundays. You can find the playlist on the "RedeemerWH" app (above) or at: **redeemerwh.org/RSWmusic**.

Student Ministry

Our youth group meets Wednesday nights from 6:30 - 8:00pm at Redeemer City Church (1410 Dundee Road) for grades 6th to 12th. Contact Michelle Gilmore if you have any questions: **michellemariegilmore@gmail.com**.

Community Groups

Sunday mornings are great, but there's not much time to really get to know anyone or build relationships. Community groups are our way of doing that. They are bi-monthly informal small groups that meet in homes and are the primary way of "connecting" with others at Redeemer Southwest Church. Please contact Rodney Barton (rodney@redeemerwinterhaven.org) for more info.

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