



REDEEMER

CITY CHURCH

To all who are weary and desire rest, to all who mourn and long for comfort, to all who sin and need a Savior, Redeemer City Church opens wide its doors with a welcome from King Jesus the mighty Friend of sinners, the Ally of his enemies, the Defender of the indefensible.

BY
FAITH
HEBREWS 11

April 18, 2021 – Third Sunday of Easter

Season of the Cross: White & Gold for Eastertide

All the hopes and expectations of Christians are realized in the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, making Easter the most celebrative day of the church year. Because the good news of Easter can hardly be contained in a single day's celebration, Easter is only the first of fifty days of Eastertide — the season leading up to Pentecost. This season is designed for extended celebration, exploring the ramifications of Easter for the redemption of all creation, and for joyful Christian living.

Call to Worship: From Psalm 147 & 148

We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reminds us of who God is and what He expects from us.

Leader: Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

ALL: Let us praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted; his majesty is above earth and heaven.

Leader: He alone is worthy to be praised!

ALL: So we will praise his name!

Songs of Ascent

The first song we sing together guides us as we "go up" or approach the presence of God to worship Him. This song is meant to rouse us to worship and awaken our hearts.

Come Thou Fount (Above All Else)

Reading of the Law: Isaiah 31:1-3

While the law cannot justify us or make us righteous; it is a teacher given to lead us to Christ, the fulfiller of the law.

Woe to those who go down to Egypt for help and rely on horses, who trust in chariots because they are many and in horsemen because they are very strong, but do not look to the Holy One of Israel or consult the LORD! And yet he is wise and brings disaster; he does not call back his words, but will arise against the house of the evildoers and against the helpers of those who work iniquity. The Egyptians are man, and not God, and their horses are flesh, and not spirit. When the LORD stretches out his hand, the helper will stumble, and he who is helped will fall, and they will all perish together..

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

We pray together, praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).

Assurance of Pardon: Philippians 3:7-11

We read God's Word together and are reminded that grace and mercy are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.

But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith—that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Greeting

In Jesus, we have not only been reconciled to God, we have also been reconciled to one another. Therefore, we greet one another as brothers and sisters.

Song of Praise and Celebration

Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done to save us

My Worth Is Not In What I Own
I See You

Worship Through Giving: Give Online at redeemerwh.org/give

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of this church and the kingdom of God.

Announcements & Kids' Worship Dismissal: 9am

*Children **through fifth grade** are dismissed for kids' worship.*

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

We again express in prayer our gratitude to God for what he has done and ask him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and the world.

Proclamation of God's Word

A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our own lives.

Hebrews 11:23-28 (see insert)

Song of Response & Sending

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.

Every Promise

Benediction

Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.

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

A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our own lives.

23 By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict. 24 By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, 25 choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. 26 He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. 27 By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. 28 By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them.

Pg. 1008 (Hebrews 11:23-28 ESV)

Discussion Questions

1. Describe a time when obedience was costly but you did it. Or, describe a time when obedience was costly and you failed because the cost was too great.
2. Look in detail at Hebrews 11:24-26 and then read Philippians 3:7-10. Is Jesus your "greater wealth"?
3. Hebrews 13:14 says, "Here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come." Discuss.
4. Moses endured because he "saw Him who is invisible" (Heb 11:27). How do you, practically, see what can't be seen?
5. Do you believe that God is, above all, merciful? If not, why not? How can Jesus' Person and His work help you believe?

Sermon Series: By Faith: Hebrews 11

Sermon Title: By Faith, Moses...

Date: April 18, 2021

I. LIVING FEARLESSLY

Faith is fearless in the face of severe consequences.

II. CHOOSING THE GREATER TREASURE

Faith embraces a radically different valuation of the good life.

III. SEEING THE INVISIBLE GOD

Faith sees what cannot otherwise be seen.

IV. BOWING TO MERCY

Faith knows that God is, above all, merciful.

Announcements

Online Giving Transition: Redeemer is switching our online giving platform from Subsplash Giving to Planning Center Giving. This is good news as the change will result in less expensive transaction fees and more seamless contribution reports. Visit redeemerwh.org/give for instructions on switching to the new platform. Thank you for your patience and diligence in making this change with us.

Communicants Class: The communicant's class is a three-week course that is required for children to become communing members of the church. If your child is interested in participating or if you would like more information on what communicant's classes are, please register them at redeemerwh.org/communicants. The classes will be on **Wednesday nights (April 28, May 5 and 12) from 6:30-8:00pm**.

Student Ministry Fundraiser: Our student ministry is hosting a **spaghetti lunch & dessert auction Sunday, May 2** to raise money for camp. This will take place directly following the second worship service. There will be a to-go option as well as curbside if you are unable to stay.

Men's Workday: We are having a work day on **Saturday, May 15, from 8am-12pm, at the Idols Aside Ranch in Lake Wales**. More details to follow.

Women's Retreat: Ladies, save the date for our upcoming Women's Retreat. The event will be **October 1-3, 2021**. Our speaker will be Abby Hutto, author of *God for Us*.

Get Connected: The best way to stay up-to-date with what's happening at Redeemer is through our online newsletter (redeemerwh.org/newsletter) and our mobile app (redeemerwh.org/app).

Online Directory: Redeemer City Church's online directory is provided for Regular Attendees and Members. The great thing about this platform is that you can upload your own photo or edit your profile's information and it automatically syncs with our database. Visit redeemerwh.org/directory to access your profile.

Worship Playlists: Follow our weekly set list on **Spotify** and **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/RCCmusic.



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