

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.



June 2, 2019 – Ascension Sunday

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, for exploring the ramifications of Easter for the redemption of all creation, and for joyful Christian living.

Song of Gathering and Preparation

We prepare our hearts, and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.

Take a Moment

Call to Worship: Psalm 116:5-7

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

Leader: Gracious is the LORD, and righteous;

Congregation: Our God is merciful.

Leader: The LORD preserves the simple; when I was brought low, he saved me.

Congregation: Return, O my soul, to your rest; for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.

Song of Adoration

We respond to God's invitation with songs of praise. These songs are designed to draw our attention to the wonder and glory of God.

Nothing is Holding Me Back

Reading of the Law: Based on Exodus 20:1-17

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.

I am the Lord who brought you from Egypt. You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself a graven image. You shall not take the name of Yahweh in vain. Remember the Sabbath day. Honor your father and mother. You shall not kill. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness. You shall not covet.

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: Matthew 11:28-30 & Psalm 62:5-8

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

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

Yes, my soul, find rest in God; my hope comes from him. Truly he is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will not be shaken. My salvation and my honor depend on God; he is my mighty rock, my refuge. Trust in him at all times, you people; pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.

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

Great Are You Lord Build My Life

Worship Through Giving

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

Children through kindergarten 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.

Exodus 20, Hebrews 4, & 1 Corinthians 15 (see insert)

Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified dead and buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Sacrament of Communion

The ritual meal of Communion is a sign and seal of the grace we have in Jesus. That is, it symbolizes the work Christ did for our salvation (sign) and communicates the grace and mercy we have been given (seal) as a result of His death and resurrection.

Restless

Song of Response

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

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

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.

Proclamation of God's Word: Pg 61, 1002 & 962 in Pew Bible A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our own lives.

8 "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. 9 Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, 10 but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. 11 For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

(Exodus 20:8-11 ESV)

9 So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, 10 for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his. 11 Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience.

(Hebrews 4:9-11 ESV)

58 Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

(1 Corinthians 15:58 ESV)

Sermon Series: God's Playground **Sermon Title:** Sabbath Work and Sabbath Rest

Date: June 2, 2019

I. CREATION SABBATH

Work is God-given and good. So is rest.

II. WEEKLY SABBATH

The Sabbath redeems both work and rest. (Sabbath displays redemption.)

III. ESCHATOLOGICAL SABBATH

In the gospel we are freed from the work underneath the work. (Sabbath describes the new creation.)

Announcements

Greeting this morning are the **Pruitt/Lutz & Lear** Community Groups.

Safety Team Meeting: If you would like more information about the safety team, there will be a short meeting **following today's worship service**.

Splash Bash: Parents, our annual Splash Bash at Lake Eva Water Park in Haines City is **THIS Saturday June 8, 9:30-11:30am**. This is a great opportunity to invite friends!

Marriage Conference: Join us for two nights away on a marriage retreat with video teachings by Pastor, Marriage Counselor, and Author Dr. Paul Tripp. There will be four group sessions, a night out together for dinner and fun, and also a date night. Save the date and begin to secure childcare if needed. The conference will be held October 4-6 at the Terrace Hotel in downtown Lakeland. The deadline to register is June 30. The price to attend is \$250 per couple, this does not include food costs. Space is limited, you can reserve your spot with a \$50 deposit. For registration and a conference trailer, visit: redeemerwh.org/marriage.

Summer Camps: Middle School (including incoming 6th graders) students are going to Camp Kulaqua July 15-19, the price to attend is \$375, **a \$75 deposit is due TODAY**. If you have questions, contact Brandon Lutz. You can sign up and pay online at: **redeemerwh.org/events**.

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**).

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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Grace Abounding is Redeemer's campaign to raise funds for repairs and maintenance to the existing facility. Campaign information is available at **graceabounding.org**.