

Shadyside Presbyterian Church
Kids' Worship Bulletin
15 October 2023
Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

“The God” or “A god?”

Have you learned about “proper nouns” in school? A proper noun is used to name a specific person, place, or thing. Your name is a proper noun. Can you think of other proper nouns? The word “God” is a proper noun. The word “god” is not a proper noun.

When we read the Bible, we see God, is named with a proper noun. God is THE God, the only God. Our God. We are not to worship anyone other than God.



The people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, “Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us.”
Exodus 32:1, NRSV

Long ago, the Hebrew people, the Israelites, were getting rather tired of waiting for Moses to lead them. Moses was on a mountain, listening to God, and the people were getting impatient, so they asked Aaron to make a god they could worship. Aaron made a gold calf statue using jewelry people gave him. The people were excited about this god they could see. They were glad to be able to be near the god they worshiped. They could touch this god if they wanted to.

The big trouble was God had already told the people they were to worship only one God, and no other gods. God saw the people worshiping the statue, or idol, and God was furious. The people were going against one of the commandments God had given them.

Read Exodus 32:1-14 and try to answer these questions:

1. What did God tell Moses would happen to the idol worshipers?
2. What did Moses ask God to do to the Hebrew people?
3. Are their idols people worship today instead of worshiping God?

Where in the Word is the Word?

The Word can mean many things:

- The Word = God’s messages for God’s people
- The Word = Jesus, our Savior, God’s Son
- The Word = The Bible, the story of God’s people
- The Word = A sermon or homily spoken

Where in the Bible do we find the scripture readings for today?

Book of the Bible	Chapter	Verses
Matthew	22	1-14
Exodus	32	1-14



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Where are we now?

*Place an X next to each part of the worship service after we have done it
You can find each of these in the Worship Bulletin*

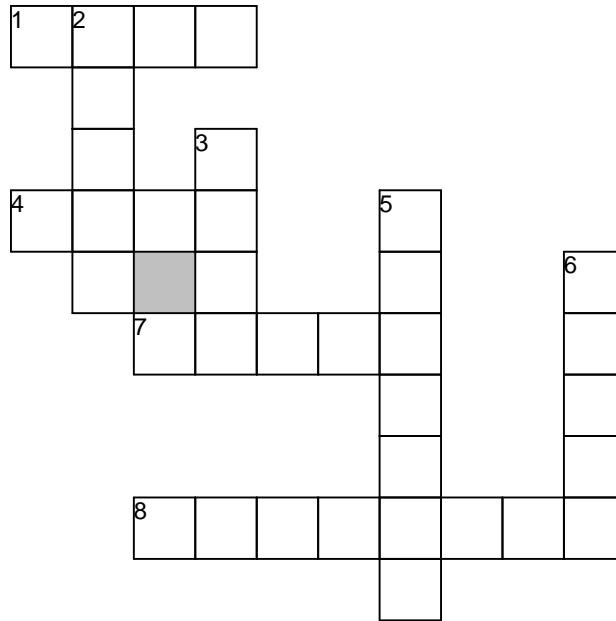
Part of Worship Liturgy	Done
PRELUDE	
CALL TO WORSHIP	
HYMN IN PROCESSION <i>printed in the worship bulletin</i>	
PRAYER OF ADORATION	
ORISON/PRECES	
PRAYER OF CONFESSION	
SILENT CONFESSION	
KYRIE ELEISON	
ASSURANCE OF PARDON	
GLORIA PATRI <i>(children may leave with teachers)</i>	
WELCOME	
PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION	
GOSPEL	
ANTHEM	
HEBREW SCRIPTURE	
SERMON	
HYMN OF RESPONSE #443	
AFFIRMATION OF FAITH	
PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER	
OFFERING ANTHEM and COLLECTION OF OFFERING	
ANTHEM	
DOXOLOGY	
OFFERTORY PRAYER	
HYMN #303	
BENEDICTION	
POSTLUDE	



The Golden Calf

So all the people took off their earrings and brought them to Aaron. He took what they handed him and made it into an idol cast in the shape of a calf, fashioning it with a tool. Exodus 32:3-4a (NIV)

Complete the activity below.



HORIZONTAL

1. A young cow
4. A valuable yellowish colored metal that is used to make jewelry
7. A raised platform on which offerings to God are made
8. Ornaments, often made of gold, worn hanging from the ear

VERTICAL

2. The brother of Moses
3. A statue that is worshipped as a god
5. To bow down in adoration
6. The prophet of God who led the Hebrew people out of Egypt

WORSHIP
MOSES

EARRINGS
ALTAR

AARON
CALF

IDOL
GOLD

Exodus 32:1-14 & Matthew 22:1-14

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Find the following words in the puzzle.

Words are hidden     and .

AARON
ABRAHAM
ANGER
CLOTHES
EARRINGS
EGYPT
EXODUS
GOD

GODS
GOLD CALF
GUESTS
IDOL
IMAGE
INVITED
ISAAC
ISRAELITES

JACOB
JESUS
JEWELRY
KINGDOM OF
HEAVEN
LORD
MATTHEW
MOSES
MOUNTAIN

PARABLE
PARTY
STATUE
WEDDING