

WEST ERIE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

*“Now the sons of Noah who went out of
the ark were Shem, Ham, and Japheth.”
--Genesis 9:18a*

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THE LORD’S WORSHIP SERVICE
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2021

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements & Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 90:1-2

Leader: LORD, You have been our dwelling place in all generations.

All: Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever You had formed the earth and the world, Even from everlasting to everlasting, You are God.

*Gloria Patri**

GLORIA PATRI (MEINKE)

Irreg. Charles Meineke, 1844

*"Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be
world without end. Amen, amen."*

PRAYER OF INVOCATION*

*Hymn of Praise**

TUNE: LOBE DEN HERREN 14.14.4.7.8.

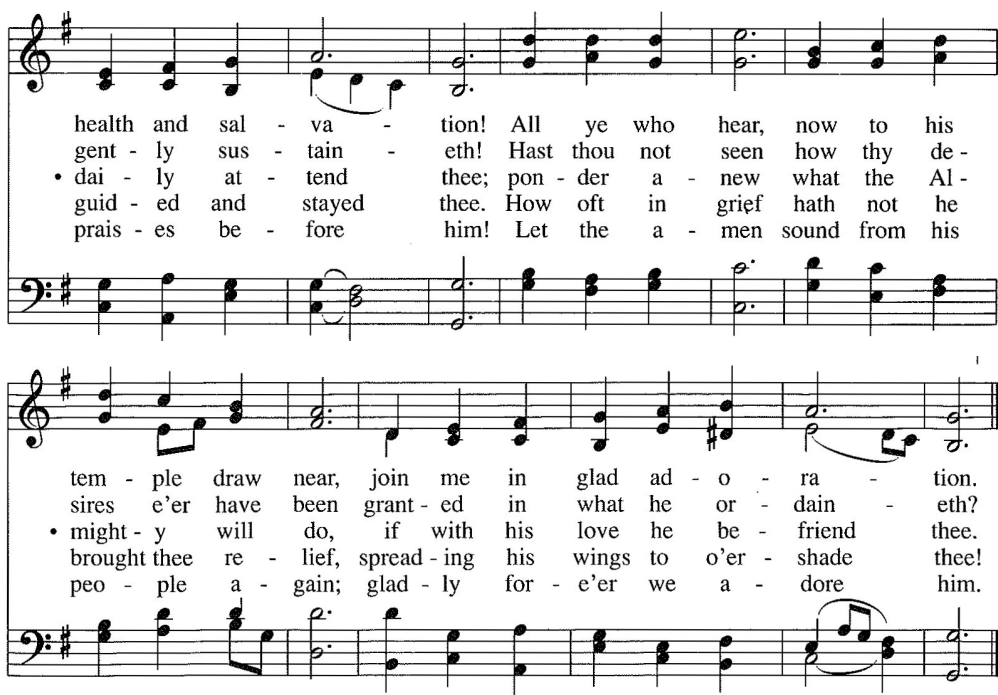
"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Based on Psalm 103, Joachim Neander, 1680.

The musical score is written for four parts: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass. It is in the key of D major (indicated by two sharps) and 3/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a clear harmonic structure. The lyrics are printed below the staves, with some words in italics. The score is divided into two systems, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The first system covers the first five lines of the hymn, and the second system covers the remaining lines. The lyrics are as follows:

1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly
3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de -
4. Praise to the Lord, who with mar - vel - ous wis - dom hath
5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
fend thee! Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here
made thee, decked thee with health, and with lov - ing hand
dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with



health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
gent - ly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
• dai - ly at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -
guid - ed and stayed thee. How oft in grief hath not he
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

tem - ple draw near, join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion.
sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
• might - y will do, if with his love he be - friend thee.
brought thee re - lief, spread - ing his wings to o'er - shade thee!
peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for - e'er we a - dore him.

CONFESSION OF FAITH*

Apostle's Creed

All: *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, died, and was 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.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Psalms 38:4-8

All: *"LORD, make me to know my end, and what is the measure of my days, That I may know how frail I am. Indeed, You have made my days as handbreadths, And my age is as nothing before You; Certainly every man at his best state is but vapor. Surely every man walks about like a shadow; Surely, they busy themselves in vain; He*

heaps up riches, and does not know who will gather them. And now, Lord, what do I wait for? My hope is in You. Deliver me from all my transgressions; Do not make me the reproach of the foolish." Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1st John 2:1-2

Leader: Hear the good news! "My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. ²And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world."

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Psalm 47

TUNE: PETERSHAM CMD

Based on the Scottish Psalter, 1650

1. All peo - ples, clap your hands for joy; To God in tri - umph shout;
 2. The land of our in - her - i - tance He choos - es out for us,
 3. For God is King of all the earth; Sing praise with skill - ful - ness.

5
 For awe - some is the LORD Most High, Great King the earth through - out.
 And He to us the gl - ory gives Of Ja - cob whom He loves.
 God rules the na - tions; God sits on His throne of ho - li - ness.

9
 He brings the peo ples un - der us In mast - e - ry com - plete;
 God is as - cend - ed with a shout, The LORD with trum - pet - ing.
 A - ssem - ble, men of Abra - h'm's God! Come, peo - ple, prin - ces, nigh!

13

And He it is Who na - tions all Sub - dues be - neath our feet.
Sing prais - es un - to God! Sing praise! Sing prais - es to our King!
The shields of earth be - long to God; He is ex - alt - ed high.

PASTORAL PRAYER

All: *"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, forever. Amen."*

RESPONSIVE PSALM READING

Psalm 32:1-11

Leader: Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, Whose sin is covered.

All: *Blessed is the man to whom the LORD does not impute iniquity, And in whose spirit there is no deceit.*

Leader: When I kept silent, my bones grew old Through my groaning all the day long.

All: *For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me; My vitality was turned into the drought of summer. Selah*

Leader: I acknowledged my sin to You, And my iniquity I have not hidden. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," And You forgave the iniquity of my sin. Selah

All: *For this cause everyone who is godly shall pray to You In a time when You may be found; Surely in a flood of great waters They shall not come near him.*

Leader: You are my hiding place; You shall preserve me from trouble; You shall surround me with songs of deliverance. Selah

All: *I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will guide you with My eye.*

Leader: Do not be like the horse or like the mule, which have no understanding, Which must be harnessed with bit and bridle, Else they will not come near you.

All: *Many sorrows shall be to the wicked; But he who trusts in the LORD, mercy shall surround him.*

Leader: Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, you righteous; And shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

GOSPEL READING

Luke 4:16-44

And He taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all. ¹⁶So He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read. ¹⁷And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written: ¹⁸"The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to *the* poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to *the* captives And recovery of sight to *the* blind, To set at liberty those who are oppressed; ¹⁹To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD." ²⁰Then He closed the book, and gave *it* back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all who were in the synagogue were fixed on Him. ²¹And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing." ²²So all bore witness to Him, and marveled at the gracious words which proceeded out of His mouth. And they said, "Is this not Joseph's son?" ²³He said to them, "You will surely say this proverb to Me, 'Physician, heal yourself! Whatever we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in Your country.' " ²⁴Then He said, "Assuredly, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own country. ²⁵"But I tell you truly, many widows were in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a great famine throughout all the land; ²⁶"but to none of them was Elijah sent except to Zarephath, *in the region of Sidon*, to a woman *who was* a widow. ²⁷"And many lepers were in Israel in the time of Elisha the prophet, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." ²⁸So all those in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath, ²⁹and rose up and thrust Him out of the city; and they led Him to the brow of the hill on which their city was built, that they might throw Him down over the cliff. ³⁰Then passing through the midst of them, He went His way. ³¹Then He went down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee, and was teaching them on the Sabbaths. ³²And they were astonished at His teaching, for His word was with authority. ³³Now in the synagogue there was a man who had a spirit of an unclean demon. And he cried out with a loud voice, ³⁴saying, "Let *us* alone! What have we to do with You, Jesus of Nazareth? Did You come to destroy us? I know who You are -- the Holy One of God!" ³⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be quiet, and come out of him!" And when the demon had thrown him in *their* midst, it came out of him and did not hurt him. ³⁶Then they were all amazed and spoke among themselves, saying, "What a word this *is*! For with authority and power He commands the unclean spirits, and they come out." ³⁷And the report about Him went out into every place in the surrounding region. ³⁸Now He arose from the synagogue and entered Simon's house. But Simon's wife's mother was sick with a high fever, and they made request of Him concerning her. ³⁹So He stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her. And immediately she arose and served them. ⁴⁰When the sun was setting, all those who had any that were sick with various diseases brought them to Him; and He laid His hands on every one of them and healed them. ⁴¹And demons also came out of many, crying out and saying, "You are the Christ, the Son of God!" And He, rebuking *them*, did not allow them to speak, for they knew that He was the Christ. ⁴²Now when it was day, He departed and went into a deserted place. And the crowd sought Him and came to Him, and tried to keep Him from leaving them; ⁴³but He said to them, "I must preach the kingdom of God to the other cities also, because for this purpose I have been sent." ⁴⁴And He was preaching in the synagogues of Galilee.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Hebrews 10:1-18

For the law, having a shadow of the good things to come, *and* not the very image of the things, can never with these same sacrifices, which they offer continually year by year, make those who approach perfect. ²For then would they not have ceased to be offered? For the worshipers, once purified, would have had no more consciousness of sins. ³But in those *sacrifices there is* a reminder of sins every year. ⁴For *it is* not possible that the blood of bulls and goats could take away sins. ⁵Therefore, when He came into the world, He said: "Sacrifice and offering You did not desire, But a body You have prepared for Me. ⁶In burnt offerings and *sacrifices* for sin You had no pleasure. ⁷Then I said, 'Behold, I have come -- In the volume of the book it is written of Me -- To do Your will, O God.' " ⁸Previously saying, "Sacrifice and offering, burnt offerings, and *offerings* for sin You did not desire, nor had pleasure *in them*" (which are offered according to the law), ⁹then He said, "Behold, I have come to do Your will, O God." He takes away the first that He may establish the second. ¹⁰By that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once *for all*. ¹¹And every priest stands ministering daily and offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. ¹²But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God, ¹³from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool. ¹⁴For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified. ¹⁵But the Holy Spirit also witnesses to us; for after He had said before, ¹⁶"This *is* the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the LORD: I will put My laws into their hearts, and in their minds I will write them," ¹⁷then He adds, "Their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more." ¹⁸Now where there is remission of these, *there is* no longer an offering for sin.

Psalm of Preparation*

TUNE: MUNICH 76.76.D

"Psalm 14"

"O Word of God Incarnate"

The fool in heart is saying, "There surely is no God."
Corrupt and vile their deeds are; Not one of them does good.
The LORD looks down from heaven On sons of men abroad
To see which one has wisdom, If any seeks for God.

All far astray have wandered; They all to vileness run.
Not one of them is righteous, No, not a single one.
Have they of truth no knowledge, These evilworkers all,
Who eat like bread my people And on GOD do not call?

There shall they be in terror For God is with the just;
You would confound one struggling; Jehovah is his trust.
Salvation out of Zion Who will to Isr'el bring?
The LORD brings back His captives. Joy, Jacob! Isr'el, sing

SERMON

Genesis 9:18-29

"Sin Still Remains"

Pastor Marc Miller

- 18 Now the sons of Noah who went out of the ark were Shem, Ham, and Japheth.
And Ham was the father of Canaan.
- 19 These three were the sons of Noah, and from these the whole earth was
populated.
- 20 And Noah began to be a farmer, and he planted a vineyard.
- 21 Then he drank of the wine and was drunk, and became uncovered in his tent.
- 22 And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father, and told his
two brothers outside.
- 23 But Shem and Japheth took a garment, laid it on both their shoulders, and went
backward and covered the nakedness of their father. Their faces were turned
away, and they did not see their father's nakedness.
- 24 So Noah awoke from his wine, and knew what his younger son had done to
him.
- 25 Then he said: "Cursed be Canaan; A servant of servants He shall be to his
brethren."
- 26 And he said: "Blessed be the LORD, The God of Shem, And may Canaan be his
servant.
- 27 May God enlarge Japheth, And may he dwell in the tents of Shem; And may
Canaan be his servant."
- 28 And Noah lived after the flood three hundred and fifty years.
- 29 So all the days of Noah were nine hundred and fifty years; and he died.

Sermon Notes

- Point 1

- Point 2

- Point 3

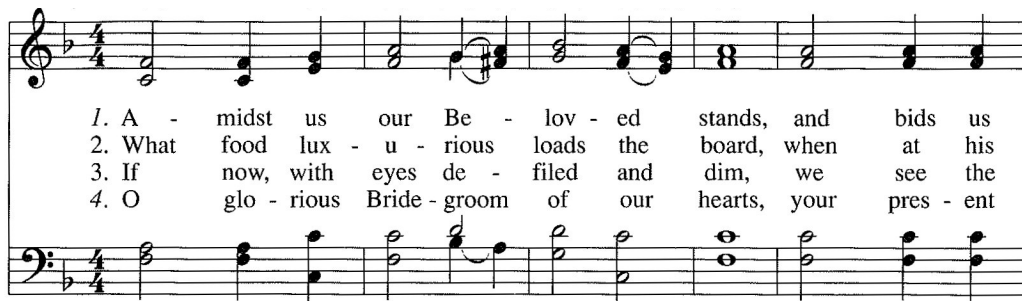
THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Hymn of Preparation**

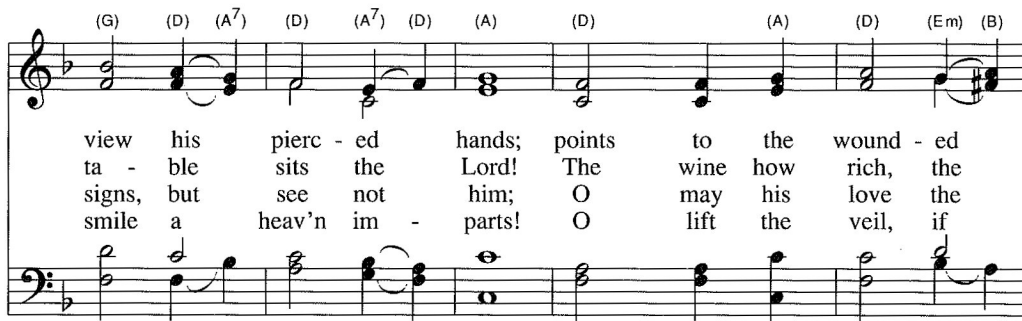
TUNE: HAMBURG L.M.

"Amidst Us Our Beloved Stands"

Charles H. Spurgeon, 1866

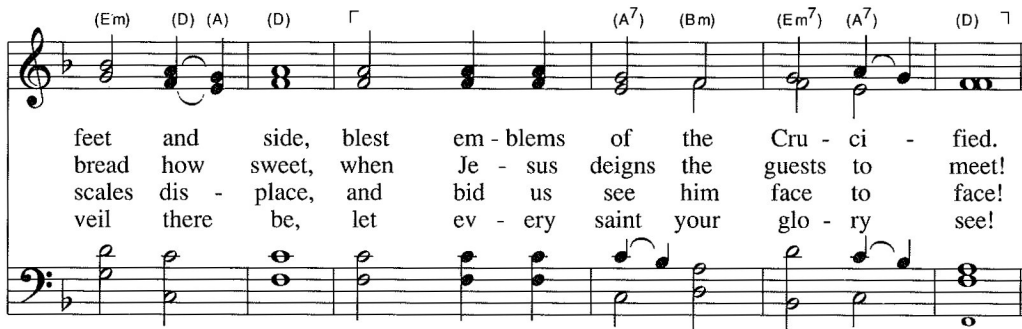


1. A - midst us our Be - lov - ed stands, and bids us
 2. What food lux - u - rious loads the board, when at his
 3. If now, with eyes de - filed and dim, we see the
 4. O glo - rious Bride - groom of our hearts, your pres - ent



(G) (D) (A⁷) (D) (A⁷) (D) (A) (D) (A) (D) (Em) (B)

view his pierc - ed hands; points to the wound - ed
 ta - ble sits the Lord! The wine how rich, the
 signs, but see not him; O may his love the
 smile a heav'n im - parts! O lift the veil, if



(Em) (D) (A) (D) (A⁷) (Bm) (Em⁷) (A⁷) (D)

feet and side, blest em - blems of the Cru - ci - fied.
 bread how sweet, when Je - sus deigns the guests to meet!
 scales dis - place, and bid us see him face to face!
 veil there be, let ev - ery saint your glo - ry see!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND INVITATION

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

PASSING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

***THE WAFERS ARE NUT AND GLUTEN FREE.*

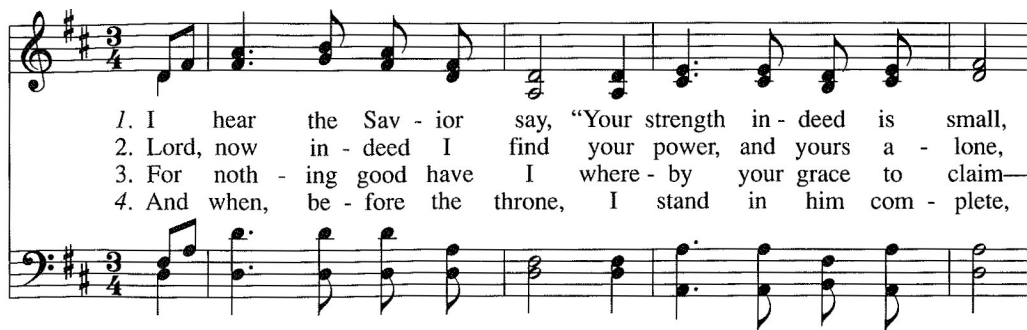
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*Hymn of Response**

TUNE: ALL TO CHRIST 6.6.7.7.ref.

"Jesus Paid It All"

Elvina M. Hall, 1865; mod.



1. I hear the Sav - ior say, "Your strength in - deed is small,
2. Lord, now in - deed I find your power, and yours a - lone,
3. For noth - ing good have I where - by your grace to claim—
4. And when, be - fore the throne, I stand in him com - plete,



child of weak - ness, watch and pray, find in me your all in all."
can change the lep - er's spots, and melt the heart of stone.
I'll wash my gar - ments white in the blood of Cal - v'ry's Lamb.
"Je - sus died my soul to save," my lips shall still re - peat.



REFRAIN
Je - sus paid it all, all to him I owe;

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sin had left a crim - son stain, he washed it white as snow.

BENEDICTION*

* --Please stand if able
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Prayer Requests

- This week's WEPCA Missionaries: The Garrett Family
- Pray for country's leaders
- Pray for our covenant children
- Pray for our Elders and Deacons.
- Pray for our Sunday School teachers and students

Announcements

- We will be having a prayer meeting over Zoom on Wednesday evenings starting at 8:30 p.m. All are encouraged to attend. If you need more information, please see Pastor Miller.
- The next men's Bible study will be on Saturday, January 9, at 8 a.m. We will be working through the book of Philippians using Sinclair Ferguson's "Let's Study Philippians" book. Please read chapter 9 and 10.
- Sunday School starts at 10 a.m. We offer 3 elementary aged classes and an adult class. The adults are studying the Westminster Shorter Catechism.
- Please note there will be no Sunday School on December 26 and January 2.
- The next women's book study will be on Monday, December 13, at 7:30 p.m. The book study is titled "In All Things" by Mellissa Kruger. It is a study on the book of Philippians. For more information, please see Mary Moser.
- We will be having a fall clean up at the church on Saturday, December 11, starting at 9 a.m. All are welcome and encouraged to attend!
- Please mark your calendars for our Christmas Eve service on Friday, December 24, starting at 6 p.m.

Who Should take Communion?

The question of who is eligible to receive communion is one of vital importance. In order to draw our minds towards examining ourselves in accordance with the Apostle Paul's exhortation to the church in Corinth, the Session of West Erie Presbyterian Church in America encourages all in attendance today to consider the following questions:

Do you believe that Jesus Christ, the Son of God, died for your sins and rose again bodily from the dead?

Do you trust in the Lord Jesus Christ alone for your salvation?

Have you been baptized?

Are you a communicate member in good standing of a Bible-believing, gospel proclaiming church?

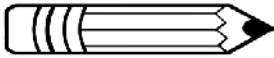
Are you pursuing a life of obedience by forsaking sin and striving, by grace and help of the Holy Spirit, to glorify God with your entire life?

If you can answer “Yes” to each of these questions, then the Session of West Erie Presbyterian Church in America welcomes and invites you to partake of the Lord’s Supper with us today.

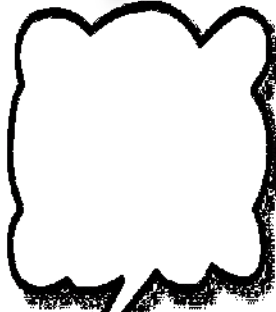
If however, you cannot answer “Yes” to each of these questions – or if you are not sure – then we request that you refrain from partaking at this time. We encourage you to take this time to consider your own personal need for Christ, His abundant provision for the salvation of sinners, as well of the biblical requirement to join a local body of believers in humble submission to Christ’s provision of elders and overseers. After the service, please come speak with a member of the Session to discuss the steps necessary to enable you to openly enjoy Communion with Christ and his people through the sacrament of the Lord’s Supper.

Sermon Notes FOR KIDS

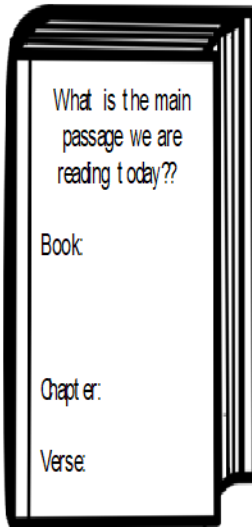
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As you attend church services with your family, use this sheet to help you pay attention and learn. We want you to worship with us by singing to God and listening to the message.



Words you heard but don't know...



What is the main passage we are reading today??

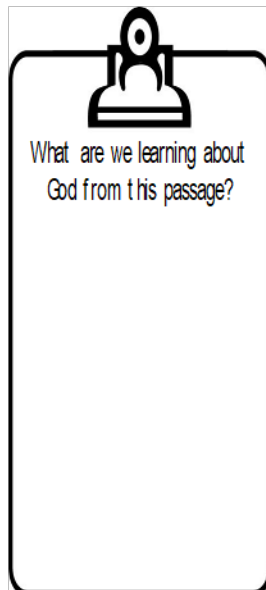
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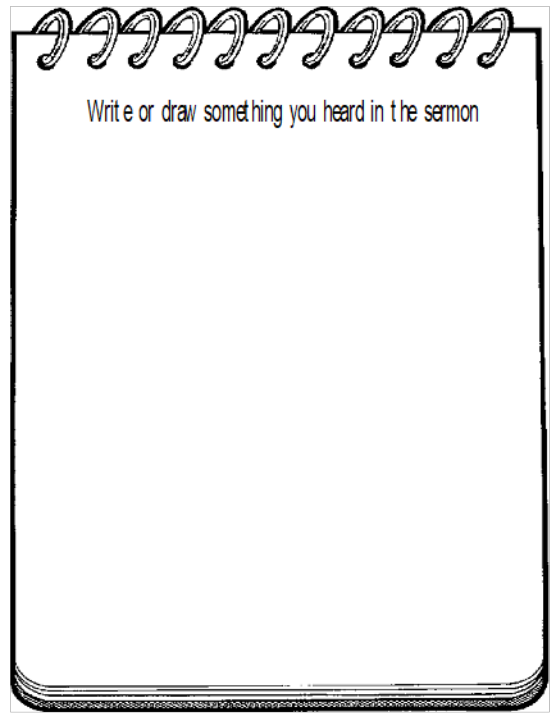
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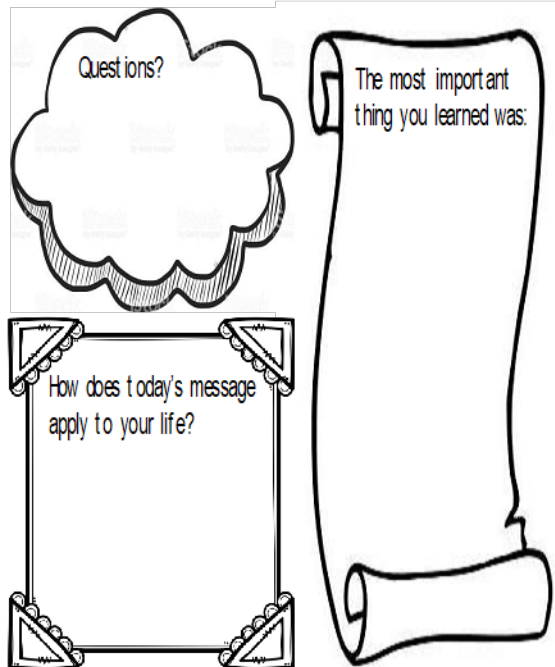
Favorite song today was:



What are we learning about God from this passage?



Write or draw something you heard in the sermon



Questions?

The most important thing you learned was:

How does today's message apply to your life?

WELCOME!

If you are visiting our church today we welcome you to our worship service and Christian community. There are a few things that we would like you to know about West Erie Presbyterian Church.

- **We are Historically Reformed.**
 - We believe in the inspired and inerrant Word of God.
 - We believe in the absolute sovereignty of God.
 - We hold to a covenantal framework of Scripture.
 - We believe that salvation is a free gift of God.
- **We are Community Oriented.**
 - We seek to share the only hope that this world has: that is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
 - We seek to be a church that is salt and light to the community around us and fulfill the Great Commission.
- **We are Confessional.**
 - As a Christian church, ancient statements such as the Apostles' Creed and the Nicene Creed help us to confess certain basic and essential truths of the Christian faith.
 - As a Presbyterian church, our confessional or doctrinal standards consist of the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Westminster Larger and Shorter Catechisms (copies of these documents are available from the church).
 - All of these statements are under the authority of Scripture.

We thank you for visiting today! If you have any questions regarding our style of worship please feel free to ask the pastor or one of our elders. We would be happy to talk with you. Also, we would ask you to stay after and enjoy the fellowship of our Christian community. West Erie Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (www.pcanet.org).

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