



WEST ERIE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

*“This is the will of the Father who sent Me,
that of all He has given Me
I should lose nothing, but should raise it up
at the last day.”*

— John 6:39

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THE LORD’S WORSHIP SERVICE
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2022

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements & Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 57:7-9

Leader: My heart is steadfast, O God, my heart is steadfast; I will sing and give praise.

All: Awake, my glory! Awake, lute and harp! I will awaken the dawn.

Leader: I will praise You, O Lord, among the peoples; I will sing to You among the nations.

Gloria Patri*

GLORIA PATRI (GREATOREX)

Irreg. H.W. Greatorex, 1851

“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*

Psalm of Praise*

TUNE: EIN’ FESTE BURG 88.88.66.668

“Psalm 46”

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

God is our refuge and our strength, A present help in our distress.
We will not therefore be afraid Tho’ all the earth should be removed,
Tho’ mountains great be hurled Into the ocean’s depths,
Tho’ seas may roar and foam And billows shake the shore,
Tho’ mountains tremble at their power.

A river brings refreshing streams To cheer the city of our God,
The Most High’s holy dwelling place. God is in her; she won’t be moved;
At dawn will God help her. The heathen rage; realms quake;
He lifts His voice; earth melts. The LORD of hosts with us!
Our fortress strong is Jacob’s God.

O come, see what the LORD has done: He desolations brought on earth;
On earth He puts an end to wars, Breaks bow and spear, and char-iots burns.
Be still! Know I am God. Exalted o’er all men,
Exalted o’er all earth. The LORD of hosts with us!
Our fortress strong is Jacob’s God.

CONFESSION OF FAITH*

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

All: *Almighty God, who is rich in mercy to all who call upon You, hear us as we humbly confess our sins and seek Your forgiveness. We have broken Your holy laws by our deeds and by our words, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We confess before You our disobedience and ingratitude; our pride and willfulness; and all our other failures and short comings toward You and toward our fellowmen. Have mercy upon us, Father, and by Your great goodness grant that we may possess the fullness of the Spirit of adoption, freeing us from guilt, and causing us to pursue holiness. By Your gospel, encourage us and save sinners today. We ask expectantly through the mediation of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Here now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.*

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Titus 3:3-6

Leader: Hear the good news! "For we ourselves were also once foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving various lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful and hating one another. ⁴But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared, ⁵not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, ⁶whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Psalm 8

TUNE: AMSTERDAM 76.76.77.76

Elements from The Psalter, 1612

LORD, our Lord, in all the earth How excellent Your name!
You above the heav'ns have set The splendor of Your fame.
From the mouths of infants young You the power of praise compose
In the face of enemies To stop avenging foes.

When I view the skies above Which Your own fingers made,
When I see the moon and stars Which You in order laid,
What is man so frail and weak That You should remember him?
What can be the son of man That You should care for him?

Next to God You have made man, With light and honor crowned.
You placed him above Your works; Beneath him all is found:
Oxen, sheep, and all wild beasts, Birds, and fish the oceans claim.
LORD, our Lord, in all the earth How excellent Your name!

CONGREGATIONAL 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

Psalms 2:1-12

Leader: Why do the nations rage, And the people plot a vain thing?

All: The kings of the earth set themselves, And the rulers take counsel together, Against the LORD and against His Anointed, saying,

Leader: "Let us break Their bonds in pieces And cast away Their cords from us."

All: He who sits in the heavens shall laugh; The LORD shall hold them in derision.

Leader: Then He shall speak to them in His wrath, And distress them in His deep displeasure:

All: "Yet I have set My King On My holy hill of Zion."

Leader: "I will declare the decree: The LORD has said to Me, 'You are My Son, Today I have begotten You.

All: Ask of Me, and I will give You The nations for Your inheritance, And the ends of the earth for Your possession.

Leader: You shall break them with a rod of iron; You shall dash them to pieces like a potter's vessel.' "

All: Now therefore, be wise, O kings; Be instructed, you judges of the earth.

Leader: Serve the LORD with fear, And rejoice with trembling.

All: Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, And you perish in the way, When His wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all those who put their trust in Him.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 43:1-11

But now, thus says the LORD, who created you, O Jacob, And He who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by your name; You are Mine. ²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; And through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, Nor shall the flame scorch you. ³For I am the LORD your God, The Holy One of Israel, your Savior; I gave Egypt for your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in your place. ⁴Since you were precious in My sight, You have been honored, And I have loved you; Therefore I will give men for you, And people for your life. ⁵Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your descendants from the east, And gather you from the west; ⁶I will say to the north, 'Give them up!' And to the south, 'Do not keep them back!' Bring My sons from afar, And My daughters from the ends of the earth -- ⁷Everyone who is called by My name, Whom I have created for My glory; I have formed him, yes, I have made him." ⁸Bring out the blind people who have eyes, And the deaf who have ears. ⁹Let all the nations be gathered together, And let the people be assembled. Who among them can declare this, And show us former things? Let them bring out their witnesses, that they may be justified; Or let them hear and say, "It is truth." ¹⁰"You are My witnesses," says the LORD, "And My servant whom I have chosen, That you may know and believe Me, And understand that I am He. Before Me there was no God formed, Nor shall there be after Me. ¹¹I, even I, am the LORD, And besides Me there is no savior.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 8:18-39

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. ¹⁹For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope; ²¹because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. ²²For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now. ²³Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body. ²⁴For we were saved in this hope, but hope that is seen is not hope; for why does one still hope for what he sees? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we eagerly wait for it with perseverance. ²⁶Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. ²⁷Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God. ²⁸And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose. ²⁹For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. ³⁰Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified. ³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare

His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? ³³Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us. ³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter." ³⁷Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. ³⁸For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, ³⁹nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Hymn of Preparation*

TUNE: ASSURANCE 9.10.9.9.ref.

"Blessed Assurance"

Fanny J. Crosby, 1873

1. Bless - ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! O what a fore - taste of
 2. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per - fect de - light, vi - sions of rap - ture now
 3. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, all is at rest, I in my Sav - ior am

glo - ry di - vine! Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of God,
 burst on my sight; an - gels de - scend - ing, bring from a - bove
 hap - py and blest; watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a - bove,

born of his Spir - it, washed in his blood.
 ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love. This is my sto - ry,
 filled with his good - ness, lost in his love.

REFRAIN

this is my song, prais-ing my Sav - ior all the day long; this is my
 sto - ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav - ior all the day long.

SERMON

John 6:35-40

“The Father’s Gift to the Son” Dr. T. David Gordon
(Note that it’s “to” and not “of”)

- 35 And Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst.
- 36 “But I said to you that you have seen Me and yet do not believe.
- 37 “All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will by no means cast out.
- 38 “For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me.
- 39 “This is the will of the Father who sent Me, that of all He has given Me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up at the last day.
- 40 “And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up at the last day.”

Sermon Notes:

- Point 1

- Point 2


- Point 3

*Hymn of Response**



TUNE: TOULON 10.10.10.10.

"I Greet Thee Who My Sure Redeemer Art"


Strasbourg Psalter, 1545



1. I greet thee, who my sure Re-deem-er art, my on-ly
 2. Thou art the King of mer-cy and of grace, reign-ing om-
 3. Thou art the Life, by which a-lone we live, and all our
 4. Thou hast the true and per-fect gen-tle-ness, no harsh-ness
 5. Our hope is in no oth-er save in thee; our faith is

trust and Sav-ior of my heart, who pain didst un-der-
 nip-o-tent in ev-'ry place: so come, O King, and
 • sub-stance and our strength re-ceive; O com-fort us in
 hast thou and no bit-ter-ness; make us to taste the
 built up-on thy prom-ise free; O grant to us such



go for my poor sake; I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take.
 our whole be - ing sway; shine on us with the light of thy pure day.
 • death's ap - proach - ing hour, strong - heart - ed then to face it by thy pow'r.
 sweet grace found in thee and ev - er stay in thy sweet u - ni - ty.
 strong - er hope and sure that we can bold - ly con - quer and en - dure.

BENEDICTION*

* --Please stand if able

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Prayer requests

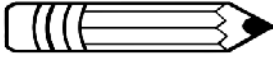
- This week's WEPCA Missionaries: The Williams Family
- Pray for our country's leaders
- Pray for our covenant children
- Pray for our Elders and Deacons.
- Pray our Sunday School Teachers and Students
- Pray for outreach and evangelism
- Please pray for the for a church plant ongoing in Cranberry Township, PA.

Announcements

- Prayer meeting: Wednesday Evenings at 8:30 p.m. over Zoom. All are encouraged to attend. Please see Pastor Miller if you would like to attend and are not already on the email list.
- Men's Bible Study: Saturday, December 3, 8 a.m. – In person & ZOOM, "Let's Study Philippians" Chapter 26-27
- Sunday School Starts at 10 a.m. We have a class for Pre-K to 1st Grade, 2nd to 4th grade, 5th to 8th grade, and an adult class. The Adults are studying the Westminster Shorter Catechism.
- Please note there will be no Sunday School on November 27 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Sermon Notes FOR KIDS

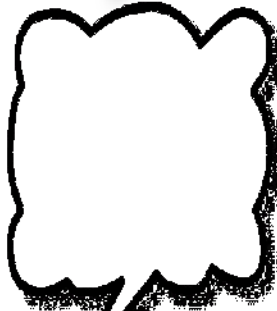
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As you attend church services with your family, use this sheet to help you pay attention and learn. We want you to worship with us by singing to God and listening to the message.



Who is speaking?



Words you heard but don't know...

Write or draw something you heard in the sermon

What is the main passage we are reading today??

Book:

Chapter:

Verse:



Favorite song today was:

What are we learning about God from this passage?

Questions?

How does today's message apply to your life?

The most important thing you learned was:

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 Apos 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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