



**WEST ERIE**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

*Then he said,  
“O LORD God of my master Abraham,  
please give me success this day, and show  
kindness to my master Abraham.”  
– Genesis 24:12*

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THE LORD’S WORSHIP SERVICE  
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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements & Preparation for Worship

## CALL TO WORSHIP\*

*Revelation 7:12b*

Leader: "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom, Thanksgiving and honor and power and might, *Be* to our God forever and ever. Amen."

## *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: ARLINGTON C.M.

## *"Psalm 1"*

"This is the Day the Lord Has Made"

1. O great - ly bless - ed is the man Who  
2. Nor sitt - eth in the scorn - er's chair, But  
3. He shall be like a tree that grows Set  
4. And all he does shall pros - per well. The  
5. In judg - ment, there - fore, shall not stand Such  
6. Be - cause the way of god - ly men Is

3  
walk - eth not a - stray In coun - sel of un -  
pla - ceth his de - light Up - on GOD'S law, and  
by the wa - ter side, Which in its sea - son  
wick - ed are not so, But are like chaff which  
as un - god - ly are, Nor in th'ass - emb - ly  
to Je - ho - vah known, Where - as the way of

6  
god - ly men, Nor stands in sin - ners' way,  
me - di - tates On His law day and night.  
yields its fruit, And green its leaves a - bide;  
by the wind Is dri - ven to and fro.  
of the just Shall wick - ed men ap - pear.  
wick - ed men Shall quite be o - ver - thrown.

## 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

*Psalm 25:4-7, 11*

**All:** *"Show me Your ways, O LORD; Teach me Your paths. Lead me in Your truth and teach me, For You are the God of my salvation; On You I wait all the day. Remember, O LORD, Your tender mercies and Your lovingkindnesses, For they are from of old. Do not remember the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions; According to Your mercy remember me, For Your goodness' sake, O LORD. For Your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my iniquity, for it is great." Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.*

## SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Proverbs 28:13*

Leader: Hear the good news! "He who covers his sins will not prosper, But whoever confesses and forsakes *them* will have mercy."

## WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

**Psalm 136:17-36, 3-4, next pg.**

TUNE: CONSTANCE 87.87.D.

"I've Found a Friend"

## 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."*

1. O thank the LORD, for good is He; His mer-cy lasts for - ev - er.  
 2. Who in His wis - dom framed the skies; His mer-cy lasts for - ev - er;  
 3. The moon and stars to rule the night; His mer-cy lasts for - ev - er;  
 4. Who by His wind the Red Sea clave; His mer-cy lasts for - ev - er;

4  
 Thanks to the God of gods give ye; His mer-cy lasts for - ev - er.  
 Who made the earth from wa - ters rise; His mer-cy lasts for - ev - er;  
 Who E - gypt's first - born all did smite; His mer-cy lasts for - ev - er;  
 Led Is - r'el through the part - ed wave; His mer-cy lasts for - ev - er;

8  
 O prais - es — give the King of — kings; His mer - cy lasts for - ev - er;  
 Who placed the — great lights on dis - play; His mer - cy lasts for - ev - er;  
 Who freed all — Is - r'el from their charm; His mer - cy lasts for - ev - er;  
 O'er Pha - raoh He the Red Sea spread; His mer - cy lasts for - ev - er;

12  
 For He a - lone does won - drous things; His mer - cy lasts for - ev - er.  
 The sun to rule the sky by day; His mer - cy lasts for - ev - er.  
 With might - y hand and out - stretched arm; His mer - cy lasts for - ev - er;  
 Through des - ert wastes His peo - ple led; His mer - cy lasts for - ev - er;

## RESPONSIVE PSALM READING

*Psalm 105:1-11*

Leader: Oh, give thanks to the LORD! Call upon His name; Make known His deeds among the peoples!

**All:** *Sing to Him, sing psalms to Him; Talk of all His wondrous works!*

Leader: Glory in His holy name; Let the hearts of those rejoice who seek the LORD!

**All:** *Seek the LORD and His strength; Seek His face evermore!*

Leader: Remember His marvelous works which He has done, His wonders, and the judgments of His mouth,

**All:** *O seed of Abraham His servant, You children of Jacob, His chosen ones!*

Leader: He *is* the LORD our God; His judgments *are* in all the earth.

**All:** *He remembers His covenant forever, The word which He commanded, for a thousand generations,*

Leader: The covenant which He made with Abraham, And His oath to Isaac,

**All:** *And confirmed it to Jacob for a statute, To Israel as an everlasting covenant,*

Leader: Saying, "To you I will give the land of Canaan As the allotment of your inheritance,

## GOSPEL READING

*Luke 22:47-71*

And while He was still speaking, behold, a multitude; and he who was called Judas, one of the twelve, went before them and drew near to Jesus to kiss Him. <sup>48</sup>But Jesus said to him, "Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?" <sup>49</sup>When those around Him saw what was going to happen, they said to Him, "Lord, shall we strike with the sword?" <sup>50</sup>And one of them struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his right ear. <sup>51</sup>But Jesus answered and said, "Permit even this." And He touched his ear and healed him. <sup>52</sup>Then Jesus said to the chief priests, captains of the temple, and the elders who had come to Him, "Have you come out, as against a robber, with swords and clubs? <sup>53</sup>"When I was with you daily in the temple, you did not try to seize Me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness." <sup>54</sup>Having arrested Him, they led Him and brought Him into the high priest's house. But Peter followed at a distance. <sup>55</sup>Now when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. <sup>56</sup>And a certain servant girl, seeing him as he sat by the fire, looked intently at him and said, "This man was also with Him." <sup>57</sup>But he denied Him, saying, "Woman, I do not know Him." <sup>58</sup>And after a little while another saw him and said, "You also are of them." But Peter said, "Man, I am not!" <sup>59</sup>Then after about an hour had passed, another confidently affirmed, saying, "Surely this fellow also was with Him, for he is a Galilean." <sup>60</sup>But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are saying!" Immediately, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed. <sup>61</sup>And the Lord turned and looked at Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how He had said to him, "Before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times." <sup>62</sup>So Peter went out and wept bitterly. <sup>63</sup>Now the men who held Jesus mocked Him and beat Him. <sup>64</sup>And having blindfolded Him, they struck Him on the face and asked Him, saying, "Prophecy! Who is the one who struck You?" <sup>65</sup>And many other things they blasphemously spoke against Him. <sup>66</sup>As soon as it was day, the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, came together and led Him into their council, saying, <sup>67</sup>"If You are the Christ, tell us." But He said to them, "If I tell you, you will by no means believe. <sup>68</sup>" And if I also ask you, you will by no means answer Me or let Me go. <sup>69</sup>"Hereafter the Son of Man will sit on the right hand of the power of God." <sup>70</sup>Then they all said, "Are You then the Son of God?" So He said to them,

“You rightly say that I am.” <sup>71</sup>And they said, “What further testimony do we need? For we have heard it ourselves from His own mouth.”

## NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 7:17-43

But when the time of the promise drew near which God had sworn to Abraham, the people grew and multiplied in Egypt <sup>18</sup>till another king arose who did not know Joseph. <sup>19</sup>This man dealt treacherously with our people, and oppressed our forefathers, making them expose their babies, so that they might not live. <sup>20</sup>At this time Moses was born, and was well pleasing to God; and he was brought up in his father's house for three months. <sup>21</sup>But when he was set out, Pharaoh's daughter took him away and brought him up as her own son. <sup>22</sup>“And Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and was mighty in words and deeds. <sup>23</sup>Now when he was forty years old, it came into his heart to visit his brethren, the children of Israel. <sup>24</sup>And seeing one of them suffer wrong, he defended and avenged him who was oppressed, and struck down the Egyptian. <sup>25</sup>For he supposed that his brethren would have understood that God would deliver them by his hand, but they did not understand. <sup>26</sup>And the next day he appeared to two of them as they were fighting, and tried to reconcile them, saying, ‘Men, you are brethren; why do you wrong one another?’ <sup>27</sup>But he who did his neighbor wrong pushed him away, saying, ‘Who made you a ruler and a judge over us? <sup>28</sup>Do you want to kill me as you did the Egyptian yesterday?’ <sup>29</sup>Then, at this saying, Moses fled and became a dweller in the land of Midian, where he had two sons. <sup>30</sup>And when forty years had passed, an Angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire in a bush, in the wilderness of Mount Sinai. <sup>31</sup>When Moses saw it, he marveled at the sight; and as he drew near to observe, the voice of the Lord came to him, <sup>32</sup>saying, ‘I am the God of your fathers -- the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.’ And Moses trembled and dared not look. <sup>33</sup>Then the LORD said to him, “Take your sandals off your feet, for the place where you stand is holy ground. <sup>34</sup>I have surely seen the oppression of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their groaning and have come down to deliver them. And now come, I will send you to Egypt.” ‘ <sup>35</sup>This Moses whom they rejected, saying, ‘Who made you a ruler and a judge?’ is the one God sent to be a ruler and a deliverer by the hand of the Angel who appeared to him in the bush. <sup>36</sup>He brought them out, after he had shown wonders and signs in the land of Egypt, and in the Red Sea, and in the wilderness forty years. <sup>37</sup>This is that Moses who said to the children of Israel, ‘The LORD your God will raise up for you a Prophet like me from your brethren. Him you shall hear.’ <sup>38</sup>This is he who was in the congregation in the wilderness with the Angel who spoke to him on Mount Sinai, and with our fathers, the one who received the living oracles to give to us, <sup>39</sup>whom our fathers would not obey, but rejected. And in their hearts they turned back to Egypt, <sup>40</sup>saying to Aaron, ‘Make us gods to go before us; as for this Moses who brought us out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.’ <sup>41</sup>And they made a calf in those days, offered sacrifices to the idol, and rejoiced in the works of their own hands. <sup>42</sup>Then God turned and gave them up to worship the host of heaven, as it is written in the book of the Prophets: ‘Did you offer Me slaughtered animals and sacrifices during forty years in the wilderness, O house of Israel? <sup>43</sup>You also took up the tabernacle of Moloch, And the star of

your god Remphan, Images which you made to worship; And I will carry you away beyond Babylon.'

**Hymn of Preparation\***

TUNE: AZMON C.M.

**"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"**

Charles Wesley, 1739; alt.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing". It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a treble and bass staff with a 3/2 time signature and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. Above the treble staff, the following chords are indicated: F D, G, D, G, Em 7, D, G, D7, G, D. Below the first system, there are four lines of lyrics. The second system also has a treble and bass staff with the same time signature and key signature. Above the treble staff, the following chords are indicated: G, C, F, G/D, D7, G 7. Below the second system, there are two lines of lyrics.

1. O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my great Re - deem - er's praise,  
2. My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim,  
3. Je - sus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sor - rows cease;  
4. He breaks the pow'r of reign - ing sin, he sets the pris - 'ner free;

the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace.  
to spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy name.  
'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.  
his blood can make the foul - est clean, his blood a - vailed for me.

5. He speaks and, list'ning to his voice,  
new life the dead receive;  
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice;  
the humble poor believe.

6. Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,  
your loosen'd tongues employ;  
ye blind, behold your Savior come;  
and leap, ye lame, for joy.

**SERMON**

**Genesis 24:1-67**

**"The SEED Continues On"**

**Pastor Marc Miller**

- 1 Now Abraham was old, well advanced in age; and the LORD had blessed Abraham in all things.
- 2 So Abraham said to the oldest servant of his house, who ruled over all that he had, "Please, put your hand under my thigh,
- 3 "and I will make you swear by the LORD, the God of heaven and the God of the earth, that you will not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell;

- 4 "but you shall go to my country and to my family, and take a wife for my son Isaac."
- 5 And the servant said to him, "Perhaps the woman will not be willing to follow me to this land. Must I take your son back to the land from which you came?"
- 6 But Abraham said to him, "Beware that you do not take my son back there.
- 7 "The LORD God of heaven, who took me from my father's house and from the land of my family, and who spoke to me and swore to me, saying, 'To your descendants I give this land,' He will send His angel before you, and you shall take a wife for my son from there.
- 8 And if the woman is not willing to follow you, then you will be released from this oath; only do not take my son back there."
- 9 So the servant put his hand under the thigh of Abraham his master, and swore to him concerning this matter.
- 12 Then he said, "O LORD God of my master Abraham, please give me success this day, and show kindness to my master Abraham.
- 13 "Behold, *here* I stand by the well of water, and the daughters of the men of the city are coming out to draw water.
- 14 "Now let it be that the young woman to whom I say, 'Please let down your pitcher that I may drink,' and she says, 'Drink, and I will also give your camels a drink' -- *let her be the one* You have appointed for Your servant Isaac. And by this I will know that You have shown kindness to my master."
- 15 And it happened, before he had finished speaking, that behold, Rebekah, who was born to Bethuel, son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, came out with her pitcher on her shoulder.
- 62 Now Isaac came from the way of Beer Lahai Roi, for he dwelt in the South.
- 63 And Isaac went out to meditate in the field in the evening; and he lifted his eyes and looked, and there, the camels *were* coming.
- 64 Then Rebekah lifted her eyes, and when she saw Isaac she dismounted from her camel;
- 65 for she had said to the servant, "Who *is* this man walking in the field to meet us?" The servant said, "It *is* my master." So she took a veil and covered herself.
- 66 And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done.
- 67 Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent; and he took Rebekah and she became his wife, and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother's *death*.

## Sermon Notes:

- Point 1



- Point 2

- Point 3

*Hymn of Response\* next pg.*

TUNE: FAITHFULNESS 11.10.11.10.ref.

*“Great is Thy Faithfulness”*

Thomas O. Chisholm, 1923.

**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
- 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, November 5, 8 a.m. – In person & ZOOM, “Let’s Study Philippians” Chapter 22-23

- Sunday School Starts at 10 a.m. We have a class for Pre-K to 1<sup>st</sup> Grade, 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> grade, 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grade, and an adult class. The Adults will be studying Assurance of Faith using a Ligonier DVD.
- Please mark your calendars for our annual congregational meeting to be held on Sunday, November 13, following the morning worship service.

1. Great is thy faith-ful-ness, O God my Fa-ther; there is no  
 2. Sum-mer and win-ter and spring-time and har-vest, sun, moon, and  
 3. Par-don for sin and a peace that en-dur-eth, thine own dear

shad-ow of turn-ing with thee; thou chang-est not, thy com-  
 stars in their cours-es a-bove, join with all na-ture in  
 pres-ence to cheer and to guide, strength for to-day and bright

pas-sions, they fail not; as thou hast been thou for-ev-er wilt be.  
 man-i-fold wit-ness to thy great faith-ful-ness, mer-cy, and love.  
 hope for to-mor-row, bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be-side!

REFRAIN  
 Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by

morn - ing new mer - cies I see: all I have need - ed thy hand hath pro -

vid - ed— Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

## Sermon Notes FOR KIDS

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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: \_\_\_\_\_

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:



Favorite song today 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](http://www.pcanet.org)).

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