



WEST ERIE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

*And they called to Lot and said to him,
“Where are the men who came to you
tonight? Bring them out to us that we may
know them carnally.”
--Genesis 19:5*

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THE LORD'S WORSHIP SERVICE
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements & Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 134:1-2

Leader: Behold, bless the LORD, All *you* servants of the LORD, Who by night stand in the house of the LORD!

All: *Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, And bless the LORD.*

*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*

*Hymn of Praise**

TUNE: CORONATION C.M. rep.

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

Edward Perronet, 1779; alt

1. All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
2. Crown him, ye mar - tyrs of your God, who from his al - tar call;
3. Ye seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the fall,
4. Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the gall,

bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all;
ex - tol the Stem of Jes - se's rod, and crown him Lord of all;
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all;
go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all;

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CONFESSON 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.

CONFESSON OF SIN

Psalm 6:1-4

All: *"O LORD, do not rebuke me in Your anger, Nor chasten me in Your hot displeasure. Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am weak; O LORD, heal me, for my bones are troubled. My soul also is greatly troubled; But You, O LORD -- how long? Return, O LORD, deliver me! Oh, save me for Your mercies' sake (Psalm 6:1-4)!" 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 14

TUNE: MUNICH 76.76.D.

“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

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 53:1-6

Leader: The fool has said in his heart, “*There is no God.*” They are corrupt, and have done abominable iniquity; *There is none who does good.*

All: *God looks down from heaven upon the children of men, To see if there are any who understand, who seek God.*

Leader: Every one of them has turned aside; They have together become corrupt; *There is none who does good, No, not one.*

All: *Have the workers of iniquity no knowledge, Who eat up my people as they eat bread, And do not call upon God?*

Leader: There they are in great fear *Where no fear was,* For God has scattered the bones of him who encamps against you; You have put *them* to shame, Because God has despised them.

All: *Oh, that the salvation of Israel would come out of Zion! When God brings back the captivity of His people, Let Jacob rejoice and Israel be glad.*

GOSPEL READING

Luke 11:1-26

Now it came to pass, as He was praying in a certain place, when He ceased, *that* one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples." ²So He said to them, "When you pray, say: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as *it is* in heaven. ³Give us day by day our daily bread. ⁴And forgive us our sins, For we also forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one." ⁵And He said to them, "Which of you shall have a friend, and go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves; ⁶'for a friend of mine has come to me on his journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; ⁷"and he will answer from within and say, 'Do not trouble me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give to you'? ⁸"I say to you, though he will not rise and give to him because he is his friend, yet because of his persistence he will rise and give him as many as he needs. ⁹"So I say to you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. ¹⁰"For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. ¹¹"If a son asks for bread from any father among you, will he give him a stone? Or if *he asks* for a fish, will he give him a serpent instead of a fish? ¹²"Or if he asks for an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? ¹³"If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will *your* heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!" ¹⁴And He was casting out a demon, and it was mute. So it was, when the demon had gone out, that the mute spoke; and the multitudes marveled. ¹⁵But some of them said, "He casts out demons by Beelzebub, the ruler of the demons." ¹⁶Others, testing *Him*, sought from Him a sign from heaven. ¹⁷But He, knowing their thoughts, said to them: "Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation, and a house *divided* against a house falls. ¹⁸"If Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? Because you say I cast out demons by Beelzebub. ¹⁹"And if I cast out demons by Beelzebub, by whom do your sons cast *them* out? Therefore they will be your judges. ²⁰"But if I cast out demons with the finger of God, surely the kingdom of God has come upon you. ²¹"When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own palace, his goods are in peace. ²²"But when a stronger than he comes upon him and overcomes him, he takes from him all his armor in which he trusted, and divides his spoils. ²³"He who is not with Me is against Me, and he who does not gather with Me scatters. ²⁴"When an unclean spirit goes out of a man, he goes through dry places, seeking rest; and finding none, he says, 'I will return to my house from which I came.' ²⁵"And when he comes, he finds *it* swept and put in order. ²⁶"Then he goes and takes with *him* seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter and dwell there; and the last *state* of that man is worse than the first."

NEW TESTAMENT READING

2 Peter 3:1-18

Beloved, I now write to you this second epistle (in both of which I stir up your pure minds by way of reminder), ²that you may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us, the apostles of the Lord and Savior, ³knowing

this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts, ⁴and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation." ⁵For this they willfully forget: that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of water and in the water, ⁶by which the world that then existed perished, being flooded with water. ⁷But the heavens and the earth which are now preserved by the same word, are reserved for fire until the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men. ⁸But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. ⁹The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. ¹⁰But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up. ¹¹Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness, ¹²looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved, being on fire, and the elements will melt with fervent heat? ¹³Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. ¹⁴Therefore, beloved, looking forward to these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, without spot and blameless; ¹⁵and consider that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation -- as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given to him, has written to you, ¹⁶as also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which untaught and unstable people twist to their own destruction, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures. ¹⁷You therefore, beloved, since you know this beforehand, beware lest you also fall from your own steadfastness, being led away with the error of the wicked; ¹⁸but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and forever. Amen.

*Psalm of Preparation**

TUNE: DARWALL'S 148TH 66.66.4444

"Psalm 92"

"Rejoice, the Lord Is King"

It's good to thank the LORD , To praise Your name, Most High!
To show Your love at dawn, Your faithfulness all night!
The ten -stringed lyre With sweet -voiced lute and rippling harp Your praise inspire.
Your deeds, LORD , made me glad. I'll joy in what You've done.
How great Your doings, LORD ! How deep Your thoughts each one!
Fools won 't be shown; The foolish can ' t accept this truth, To him unknown!
Though sinners grow like weeds, Ill -do-ers blossom may,
They're doomed to be destroyed. You, LORD , exalted stay.
LORD , Your foes fall. See! How Your foes, vain evil men, Are scattered all!
You 've raised, like ox, my horn, Poured fresh oil on my head.
You made me see the spies And hear what plotters said.
Like thriving palm The righteous grows, like cedars tall On Lebanon.

Those planted by the LORD Shall in God ' s courts be seen;
When old they'll still bear fruit And flourish fresh and green,
And loud proclaim How upright is the LORD , my Rock; No wrong in Him.

SERMON

Genesis 19:1-11

“When Sin is Front and Center“

Pastor Marc Miller

- ¹ Now the two angels came to Sodom in the evening, and Lot was sitting in the gate of Sodom. When Lot saw *them*, he rose to meet them, and he bowed himself with his face toward the ground.
- ² And he said, “Here now, my lords, please turn in to your servant’s house and spend the night, and wash your feet; then you may rise early and go on your way.” And they said, “No, but we will spend the night in the open square.”
- ³ But he insisted strongly; so they turned in to him and entered his house. Then he made them a feast, and baked unleavened bread, and they ate.
- ⁴ Now before they lay down, the men of the city, the men of Sodom, both old and young, all the people from every quarter, surrounded the house.
- ⁵ And they called to Lot and said to him, “Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us that we may know them *carnally*.”
- ⁶ So Lot went out to them through the doorway, shut the door behind him,
- ⁷ and said, “Please, my brethren, do not do so wickedly!
- ⁸ “See now, I have two daughters who have not known a man; please, let me bring them out to you, and you may do to them as you wish; only do nothing to these men, since this is the reason they have come under the shadow of my roof.”
- ⁹ And they said, “Stand back!” Then they said, “This one came in to stay *here*, and he keeps acting as a judge; now we will deal worse with you than with them.” So they pressed hard against the man Lot, and came near to break down the door.
- ¹⁰ But the men reached out their hands and pulled Lot into the house with them, and shut the door.
- ¹¹ And they struck the men who *were* at the doorway of the house with blindness, both small and great, so that they became weary *trying* to find the door.

Sermon Notes:

- Point 1

- Point 2

- Point 3

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Hymn of Preparation**

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.

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REFRAIN

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

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

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: TOPLADY 7.7.7.7.7.7

“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

Augustus M. Toplady, 1776.

BENEDICTION*

* --Please stand if able

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Prayer Requests

- This week’s WEPCA Missionaries: The Kawachi Family
- Pray for country’s leaders

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

That rock was Christ. 1 Cor. 10:4

1. Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee;
 2. Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fil thy law's de - mands;
 3. Noth - ing in my hand I bring, sim - ply to thy cross I cling;
 4. While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in death,

let the wa - ter and the blood, from thy riv - en side which flowed,
 could my zeal no res - pite know, could my tears for - ev - er flow,
 na - ked, come to thee for dress; help - less, look to thee for grace;
 when I soar to worlds un - known, see thee on thy judg - ment throne,

be of sin the dou - ble cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
 all for sin could not a - tone; thou must save, and thou a - lone.
 foul, I to the Foun - tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.
 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

- Pray for our covenant children, our Elders and Deacons and our Sunday School teachers and students

Announcements

- Prayer meetings continue: Wednesdays, 8:30 p.m. – ZOOM.

- Men’s Bible Study: Saturday, May 7, 8 a.m. – In person & ZOOM, “Let’s Study Philippians” chapters 17 – 18.
- Sunday School: Sundays, 10 a.m. – In person, 3 elementary aged classes, 1 adult class. The adults are studying the Westminster Shorter Catechism. The last Sunday of Sunday School for the Summer will be May 22.
- Women’s Bible Study: Monday, May 9, 7:30 p.m. – In person & ZOOM, “Contentment” by Melissa Kruger (video series) & “Gentle and Lowly” by Dane Ortlund. Contact: Mary Moser (cuteviolin93@gmail.com).
- Upcoming Church Picnic: Saturday, June 4, starting at 4:30 p.m. The Location is McKean Park, 8800 Main st. McKean PA, 16426. Please bring a dish to pass.

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.

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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