



WEST ERIE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

*And God said to Abraham: "As for you,
you shall keep My covenant, you and your
descendants after you..."*

Genesis 17:9a

Worship Leaders:

Pastor Marc Miller, R.E. Jonathan Moser

THE LORD'S WORSHIP SERVICE
SUNDAY, APRIL 3, 2022

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements & Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 46:10-11

Leader: Be still, and know that I *am* God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!

All: *The LORD of hosts is with us; The God of Jacob is our refuge*

*Gloria Patri**

GLORIA PATRI (GREATOREX)

Irreg. H.W. Greatorex, 1851

"Glorify 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: TO GOD BE THE GLORY 11.11.11.11.

"To God Be the Glory"

Fanny J. Crosby, 1875

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are arranged in three lines, with the first line starting with '1. To God be the glo - ry, great things he has done! So loved he the' and the second line starting with '2. O per - fect re - demp - tion, the pur - chase of blood! To ev - 'ry be -'. The third line starts with '3. Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, and great our re -'. The score includes guitar chords: G, A7, D, G, D7, G. The lyrics continue: 'world that he gave us his Son, who yield - ed his life an a - liev - er the prom - ise of God; the vil - est of - fend - er who joic - ing through Je - sus the Son; but pur - er and high - er and'. The score ends with a double bar line and a '7' below it.

tone - ment for sin, and o - pened the life - gate that we may go in.
 tru - ly be - lieves, that mo - ment from Je - sus for - give - ness re - ceives.
 great - er will be our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

REFRAIN
 G D G D D7

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord,
 G D7 G G D7 G

praise the Lord, let the peo - ple re - joice! O come to the Fa - ther thro'

Je - sus the Son, and give him the glo - ry, great things he has done!

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

All: O Lord, we openly admit that You know us thoroughly. Our deepest secrets are open before You. You know our thoughts before they are conceived in our minds. We cannot hide from You. Therefore, we ask that You discover unto us our sins so that we may humble ourselves again in Your presence and seek Your forgiveness and grace. We admit we have tolerated sinful thoughts about power, lust, greed, jealousy, malice and other things that grieve Your heart. We have committed sins of omission and commission. But we seek Your mercy and cleansing from our sins by the blood of Christ. And we thank You for Your Spirit who enables us to walk in holiness and obedience. Give us the grace to please You this day and forever. Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 Timothy 1:15

Leader: Hear the good news! "This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief."

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Psalm 122

TUNE: CWM RHONDDA 87.87.877

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

I was glad to hear them saying, "To the LORD'S house let us go."
For our feet will soon be standing In your gates, Jerusalem,
Salem, well constructed city; There assemble all the tribes,
Tribes that are Jehovah's own.

This the ordinance for Isr'el, Here to thank Jehovah's name.
There are set the thrones of judgment; There is David's house enthroned.
Pray then for the peace of Salem; May they prosper who love you.
Be there peace within your walls.

In your palaces be safety. For the sake of brothers all,
For the sake of my companions, I am saying, "Peace to you!"
For Jehovah's house within you, Temple of the LORD our God,
I will ever seek your good.

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 111:1-10

Leader: Praise the LORD! I will praise the LORD with my whole heart, In the assembly of the upright and in the congregation.

All: The works of the LORD are great, Studied by all who have pleasure in them.

Leader: His work is honorable and glorious, And His righteousness endures forever.

All: He has made His wonderful works to be remembered; The LORD is gracious and full of compassion.

Leader: He has given food to those who fear Him; He will ever be mindful of His covenant.

All: He has declared to His people the power of His works, In giving them the heritage of the nations.

Leader: The works of His hands are verity and justice; All His precepts are sure.

All: They stand fast forever and ever, And are done in truth and uprightness.

Leader: He has sent redemption to His people; He has commanded His covenant forever: Holy and awesome is His name.

All: The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; A good understanding have all those who do His commandments. His praise endures forever.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 9:51-62

Now it came to pass, when the time had come for Him to be received up, that He steadfastly set His face to go to Jerusalem, ⁵²and sent messengers before His face. And as they went, they entered a village of the Samaritans, to prepare for Him. ⁵³But they did not receive Him, because His face was set for the journey to Jerusalem. ⁵⁴And when His disciples James and John saw this, they said, "Lord, do You want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them, just as Elijah did?" ⁵⁵But He turned and rebuked them, and said, "You do not know what manner of spirit you are of. ⁵⁶"For the Son of Man did not come to destroy men's lives but to save them." And they went to another village. ⁵⁷Now it happened as they journeyed on the road, that someone said to Him, "Lord, I will follow You wherever You go." ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head." ⁵⁹Then He said to another, "Follow Me." But he said, "Lord, let me first go and bury my father." ⁶⁰Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and preach the kingdom of God." ⁶¹And another also said, "Lord, I will follow You, but let me first go and bid them farewell who are at my house." ⁶²But Jesus said to him, "No one, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God."

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Peter 5:1-14

The elders who are among you I exhort, I who am a fellow elder and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that will be revealed: ²Shepherd the flock of God which is among you, serving as overseers, not by compulsion but willingly, not for dishonest gain but eagerly; ³nor as being lords over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock; ⁴and when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that does not fade away. ⁵Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble." ⁶Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, ⁷casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you. ⁸Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. ⁹Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world. ¹⁰But may the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle you. ¹¹To Him be the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen. ¹²By Silvanus, our faithful brother as I consider him, I have written to you briefly, exhorting and testifying that this is the true grace of God in which you stand. ¹³She who is in Babylon, elect together with you, greets you; and so does Mark my son. ¹⁴Greet one another with a kiss of love. Peace to you all who are in Christ Jesus. Amen.

*Psalm of Preparation**

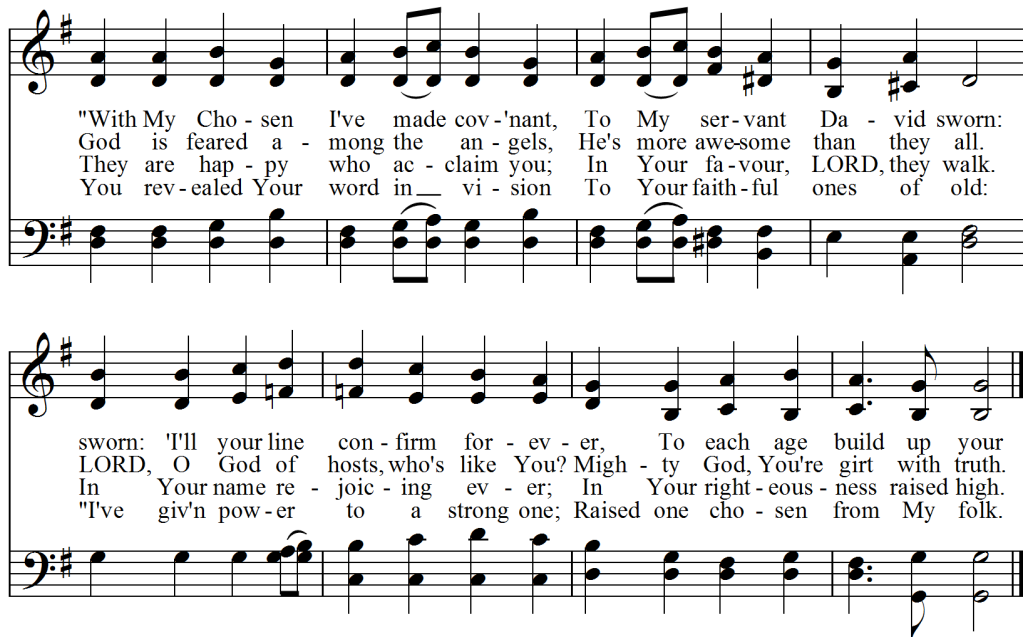
TUNE: ODE TO JOY 87.87.D

"Psalm 89:1-12"

"God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory"

1. Of God's love I'll sing for - ev - er, To each age Your faith - ful - ness.
2. LORD, the hea - vens praise Your won - ders, An - gels sing Your faith - ful - ness.
3. You've an arm that's great in pow - er; Your strong hand is all su - preme.
4. Lord, our boast is in Your pow - er; You ex - alt us in Your love.

I'll de - clare Your love's for - ev - er, Found - ed in the word from heav'n.:
For none match - es GOD in hea - ven, Who's like GOD in hea - ven's thron'g?
Your rule's based on right and jus - tice; Cov - 'nant love and truth are yours.
For our king is GOD's, and Is - r'el's Ho - ly One our sov - ereign owns.



"With My Cho - sen I've made cov - 'nant, To My ser - vant Da - vid sworn:
 God is feared a - mong the an - gels, He's more awe - some than they all.
 They are hap - py who ac - claim you; In Your fa - vour, LORD, they walk.
 You rev - ealed Your word in vi - sion To Your faith - ful ones of old:
 sworn: 'I'll your line con - firm for - ev - er, To each age build up your
 LORD, O God of hosts, who's like You? Migh - ty God, You're girt with truth.
 In Your name re - joic - ing ev - er; In Your right - eous - ness raised high.
 'I've giv'n pow - er to a strong one; Raised one cho - sen from My folk."

5. "My strong love and truth is with him;
 I will raise his head up high;
 To the Sea his rule extending,
 And to rivers in the east.
 He will cry: 'You are my Father;
 You're my God, my saviour, rock.'
 I'll appoint him as My firstborn,
 Highest of the kings of earth.

6. "I'll maintain My faithful promise.
 I'll not break my covenant,
 Nor take back the words I've uttered.
 This I've pledged in holiness;
 And I'll not be false to David.
 Like the sun his line will last;
 Like the moon his throne before Me;
 Heaven's witness faithful stands."

SERMON

Genesis 17:7, 23-27

"To You and Your Children"

Pastor Marc Miller

- 7 "And I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your descendants after you in their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and your descendants after you.
- 23 So Abraham took Ishmael his son, all who were born in his house and all who were bought with his money, every male among the men of Abraham's house, and circumcised the flesh of their foreskins that very same day, as God had said to him.
- 24 Abraham *was* ninety-nine years old when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.
- 25 And Ishmael his son *was* thirteen years old when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.
- 26 That very same day Abraham was circumcised, and his son Ishmael;
- 27 and all the men of his house, born in the house or bought with money from a foreigner, were circumcised with him.

Sermon Notes:

Point 1

Point 2

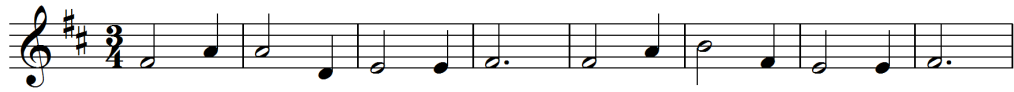
Point 3

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Hymn of Preparation**

Trudy Poirier, arr. J.Moser, 2014

"Taste and See"



1. Taste and see the Lord is good. He will sa - tis - fy the soul.
 2. Love that will not let me go, I will rest my soul in You.
 3. Take all of my bu - sy days. Take all of the long - est nights



Em - pty, bro - ken, He will feed, When we see it's Him we need._____
 Rest - less, wea - ry, weak and poor, I give my will and call You, Lord._____
 Take my hopes and take my dreams, So that Your vi - sion may be mine._____



This is my theme,___ this is my song, To praise the Lord
 Make me Your pris - 'ner, then I'll be free, For You have bought
 You have not cho - sen ma - ny wise, You have not cho -



my whole life long. He took the wa - ter of___ my life,
 my li - ber - ty. Bat - ter my heart___ three per - soned God,
 sen ma - ny strong. You take the weak - est ones in this world,



and turned it in - to sweet - - - est wine._____
 You gave Your life a ran - som,___ for me._____
 That you may show your grace_____ and glo - ry._____

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*_(next pg.)

TUNE: ALL TO CHRIST 6.6.7.7.ref.

"Jesus Paid It All"

Elvina M. Hall, 1865. Mod

BENEDICTION*

* --Please stand if able
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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.

G D G D/A A⁷ D

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

G D A

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

D G D D⁷ G E⁷ D/A A⁷ D 7

Prayer Requests

- This week's WEPCA Missionaries: The Kawachi Family
- Pray for our elders and our deacons, our Sunday school teachers, and our covenant children.
- Pray for the peace of our denomination

Announcements

- Prayer meetings continue: Wednesdays, 8:30 p.m. – ZOOM.
- Men's Bible Study: Saturday, May 8, 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. **No Sunday School Sunday, April 17.**
- Women's Bible Study: Monday, April 4, 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).
- Good Friday service: Friday, April 15, 6:30 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.

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 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 are Confessional.

- 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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