

WEST ERIE  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

*“In God is my salvation and my glory;  
The rock of my strength, And my refuge,  
is in God.” – Psalm 62:7*

WORSHIP LEADERS:  
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THE LORDS WORSHIP SERVICE  
SUNDAY, MAY 29, 2022

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements & Preparation for Worship

## CALL TO WORSHIP\*

*Psalm 103:1-2*

Leader: Bless the LORD, O my soul; And all that is within me, *bless* His holy name!

**All:** *Bless the LORD, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits*

## *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: MADRID 6.6.6.6.D.

### *“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”*

Christian H. Bateman, 1843

1. Come, Chris - tians, join to sing Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
2. Come, lift your hearts on high, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
3. Praise yet our Christ a - gain, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

loud praise to Christ our King; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
let prais - es fill the sky; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
life shall not end the strain; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

let all, with heart and voice, be - fore his throne re - jice;  
 he is our Guide and Friend; to us he'll con - de - scend;  
 on heav - en's bliss - ful shore, his good - ness we'll a - dore,

praise is his gra - cious choice. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
 his love shall nev - er end. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
 sing - ing for - ev - er - more, "Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!"

### 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

**All:** *Almighty God, I am a sinner. Your Word and my heart confirm that to me. I have done things You have forbidden and left undone things You have commanded. I have not loved You with all my heart, soul, mind, and strength. I have not loved my neighbor as myself. As judge of the whole earth You would be just to condemn me. Yet in Your love You sent Christ to bear the guilt of my sin and suffer my punishment. To Him now I flee; forgive me for His sake, and by Your Spirit help me to live in the light of His sacrifice, a life worthy of Your name. Judge me not according to my work but according*

*to Your mercy in Jesus Christ. For in Him I hope and in Him I come before You this day. Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.*

## SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Luke 1:68-69; Matt. 1:21*

Leader: Hear the good news! "Blessed is the Lord God of Israel, For He has visited and redeemed His people and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of His servant David. And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins."

## WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

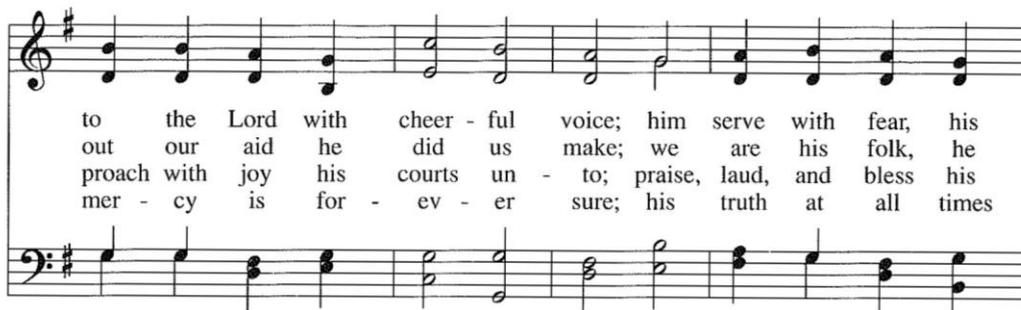
### *Psalm 100*

TUNE: OLD HUNDRENDTH L.M.

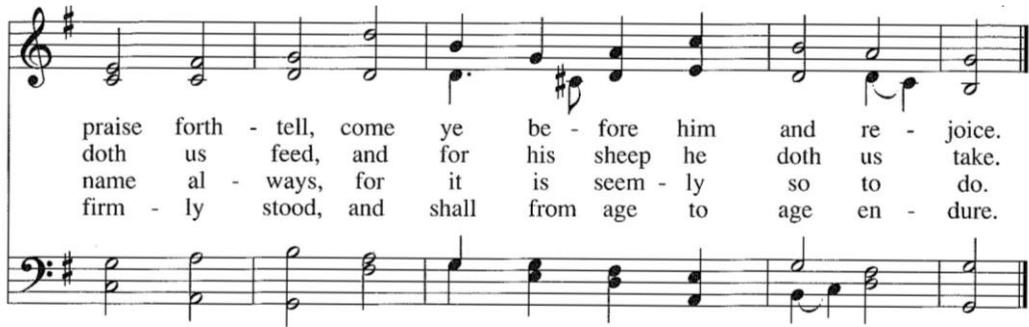
William Kethe, 1561



1. All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing  
2. The Lord ye know is God in - deed; with -  
3. O en - ter then his gates with praise, ap -  
4. For why? The Lord our God is good, his



to the Lord with cheer - ful voice; him serve with fear, his  
out our aid he did us make; we are his folk, he  
proach with joy his courts un - to; praise, laud, and bless his  
mer - cy is for - ev - er sure; his truth at all times



praise forth - tell, come ye be - fore him and re - joice.  
doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.  
name al - ways, for it is seem - ly so to do.  
firm - ly stood, and shall from age to age en - dure.

### 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.”*

### PROFESSION OF FAITH

RYAN LETKIEWICZ

### RESPONSIVE PSALM READING

*Psalms 55:1-8, 22-23*

Leader: Give ear to my prayer, O God, And do not hide Yourself from my supplication.

**All:** *Attend to me, and hear me; I am restless in my complaint, and moan noisily,*

Leader: Because of the voice of the enemy, Because of the oppression of the wicked; For they bring down trouble upon me, And in wrath they hate me.

**All:** *My heart is severely pained within me, And the terrors of death have fallen upon me.*

Leader: Fearfulness and trembling have come upon me, And horror has overwhelmed me.

**All:** *So I said, “Oh, that I had wings like a dove! I would fly away and be at rest.*

Leader: Indeed, I would wander far off, And remain in the wilderness. Selah

**All:** *I would hasten my escape From the windy storm and tempest.”*

Leader: Cast your burden on the LORD, And He shall sustain you; He shall never permit the righteous to be moved.

**All:** *But You, O God, shall bring them down to the pit of destruction; Bloodthirsty and deceitful men shall not live out half their days; But I will trust in You.*

## GOSPEL READING

*Luke 13:1-17*

There were present at that season some who told Him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. <sup>2</sup>And Jesus answered and said to them, "Do you suppose that these Galileans were worse sinners than all other Galileans, because they suffered such things? <sup>3</sup>"I tell you, no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish. <sup>4</sup>"Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them, do you think that they were worse sinners than all other men who dwelt in Jerusalem? <sup>5</sup>"I tell you, no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish." <sup>6</sup>He also spoke this parable: "A certain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. <sup>7</sup>"Then he said to the keeper of his vineyard, 'Look, for three years I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree and find none. Cut it down; why does it use up the ground?' <sup>8</sup>"But he answered and said to him, 'Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and fertilize it. <sup>9</sup>And if it bears fruit, well. But if not, after that you can cut it down.' " <sup>10</sup>Now He was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. <sup>11</sup>And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bent over and could in no way raise herself up. <sup>12</sup>But when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him and said to her, "Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity." <sup>13</sup>And He laid His hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. <sup>14</sup>But the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath; and he said to the crowd, "There are six days on which men ought to work; therefore come and be healed on them, and not on the Sabbath day." <sup>15</sup>The Lord then answered him and said, "Hypocrite! Does not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or donkey from the stall, and lead it away to water it? <sup>16</sup>"So ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound -- think of it -- for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath?" <sup>17</sup>And when He said these things, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the multitude rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by Him.

## NEW TESTAMENT READING

*1 John 4:1-21*

Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world. <sup>2</sup>By this you know the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is of God, <sup>3</sup>and every spirit that does not confess that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is not of God. And this is the spirit of the Antichrist, which you have heard was coming, and is now already in the world. <sup>4</sup>You are of God, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. <sup>5</sup>They are of the world. Therefore they speak as of the world, and the world hears them. <sup>6</sup>We are of God. He who knows God hears us; he who is not of God does not hear us. By this we know the spirit of truth and the spirit of error. <sup>7</sup>Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. <sup>8</sup>He who does not love does not know God, for God is love. <sup>9</sup>In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. <sup>10</sup>In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation

for our sins. <sup>11</sup>Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. <sup>12</sup>No one has seen God at any time. If we love one another, God abides in us, and His love has been perfected in us. <sup>13</sup>By this we know that we abide in Him, and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit. <sup>14</sup>And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son as Savior of the world. <sup>15</sup>Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. <sup>16</sup>And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him. <sup>17</sup>Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world. <sup>18</sup>There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love. <sup>19</sup>We love Him because He first loved us. <sup>20</sup>If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen? <sup>21</sup>And this commandment we have from Him: that he who loves God must love his brother also.

**Psalm of Preparation\***

TUNE: ST. FLAVIAN C.M.

**Psalm 62:1-7**

"In Sweet Communion, Lord"

1. My soul in si - lence waits for God; He's my sal - va - tion proved.  
 2. How long will ye a man a - ssail And seek to make him fall  
 3. They plot to bring his glo - ry down; In lies they take de - light;  
 4. My soul, in si - lence wait for God, For He my hope has proved.  
 5. In God a - lone my glo - ry is And my sal - va - tion sure;

He is my strong - hold and my rock; I'll not be great - ly moved.  
 As though he were a tott - 'ring fence Or like a lean - ing wall?  
 And while they bless him with their mouth, They curse with in - ward spite.  
 He's my sal - va - tion, strong - hold, rock, And I shall not be moved.  
 My rock of strength is found in God, My ref - uge most se - cure.

**SERMON**

**Psalm 62:1-12**

**"Trusting in God, Alone"**

**Pastor Marc Miller**

- 1 Truly my soul silently *waits* for God; From Him *comes* my salvation.
- 2 He only *is* my rock and my salvation; *He is* my defense; I shall not be greatly moved.

- 3 How long will you attack a man? You shall be slain, all of you, Like a leaning wall and a tottering fence.
- 4 They only consult to cast *him* down from his high position; They delight in lies; They bless with their mouth, But they curse inwardly. Selah
- 5 My soul, wait silently for God alone, For my expectation *is* from Him.
- 6 He only *is* my rock and my salvation; *He is* my defense; I shall not be moved.
- 7 In God *is* my salvation and my glory; The rock of my strength, *And* my refuge, *is* in God.
- 8 Trust in Him at all times, you people; Pour out your heart before Him; God *is* a refuge for us. Selah
- 9 Surely men of low degree *are* a vapor, Men of high degree *are* a lie; If they are weighed on the scales, They *are* altogether *lighter* than vapor.
- 10 Do not trust in oppression, Nor vainly hope in robbery; If riches increase, Do not set *your* heart *on them*.
- 11 God has spoken once, Twice I have heard this: That power *belongs* to God.
- 12 Also to You, O Lord, *belongs* mercy; For You render to each one according to his work.

### Sermon Notes:

- Point 1

- Point 2

- Point 3

# Hymn of Response\*

TUNE: TRUST IN JESUS 8.7.8.7. ref.

# "'Tis so Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

Louisa M.R. Stead, 1882

1. 'Tis so sweet to trust in Je - sus, just to take him at his word;  
2. O how sweet to trust in Je - sus, just to trust his cleans - ing blood;  
3. Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Je - sus, just from sin and self to cease;  
4. I'm so glad I learned to trust thee, pre - cious Je - sus, Sav - ior, Friend;

just to rest up - on his prom - ise; just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."  
just in sim - ple faith to plunge me 'neath the heal - ing, cleans - ing flood!  
just from Je - sus sim - ply tak - ing life and rest, and joy and peace.  
and I know that thou art with me, wilt be with me to the end.

REFRAIN

Je - sus, Je - sus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!

Je - sus, Je - sus, pre - cious Je - sus! O for grace to trust him more!

## BENEDICTION\*

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### Prayer Requests

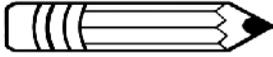
- This week's WEPCA Missionaries: The Nachtergale family
- Pray for country's leaders
- Pray for our covenant children
- Pray for our Elders and Deacons.

### Announcements

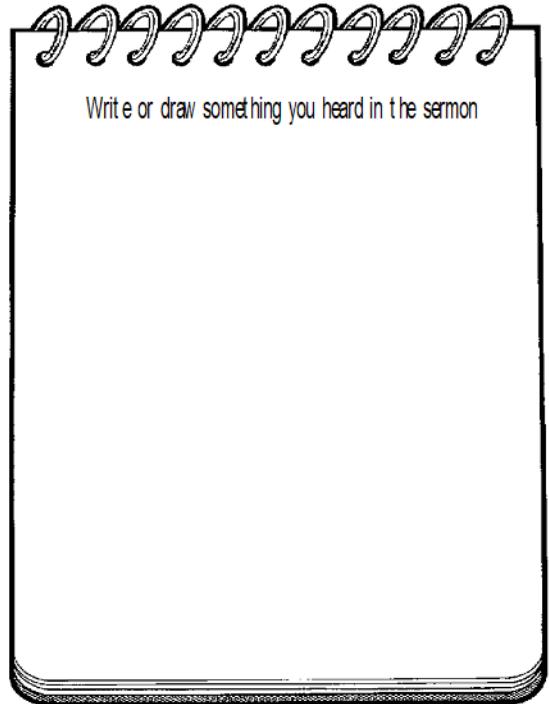
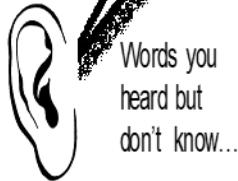
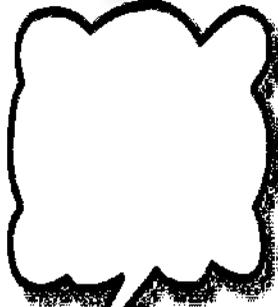
- Prayer meetings continue: Wednesdays, 8:30 p.m. – ZOOM.
- Men's Bible Study: Saturday, June 4, 8 a.m. – In person & ZOOM, "Let's Study Philippians" chapters 19-20.
- Women's Bible Study: Monday, June 6, 7:30 p.m. – In person & ZOOM, "Contentment" by Melissa Kruger (video series) & "Gentle and Lowly" by Dane Ortlund. Contact: Mary Moser (cuteviolin93@gmail.com).
- Upcoming Church Picnic: Saturday, June 4, 4:30 p.m. McKean Park, 8800 Main St., McKean, PA 16426. Please bring a dish to pass. We ask you try to avoid anything with peanuts or tree nuts. Thanks for your consideration.
- We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper next week. Please take some time this week to examine your hearts through prayer and the reading of Scripture.

# Sermon Notes FOR KIDS

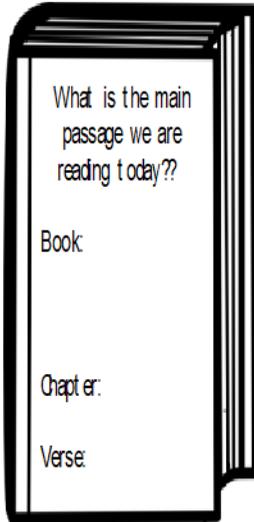
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As you attend church services with your family, use this sheet to help you pay attention and learn. We want you to worship with us by singing to God and listening to the message.



Write or draw something you heard in the sermon

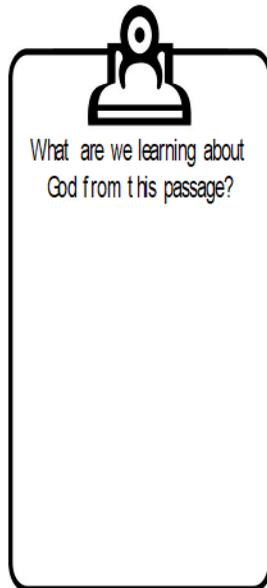


What is the main passage we are reading today??

Book:

Chapter:

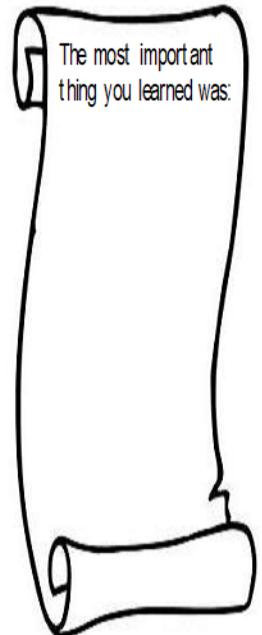
Verse:



What are we learning about God from this passage?



Questions?



The most important thing you learned was:



How does today's message apply to your life?



Favorite song today was:

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# 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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