



WEST ERIE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

*“O God, you are my God; early will
I seek you; my soul thirsts for you...”
Psalm 63:1a*

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THE LORDS WORSHIP SERVICE
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements & Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 67:1-2

Leader: "God be merciful to us and bless us, *And* cause His face to shine upon us.

All: That Your way may be known on earth, Your salvation among all 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*

*Hymn of Praise**

TUNE: TERRA BEATA S.M.D.

"This Is My Father's World"

Maltbie D. Babcock, 1901

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "This Is My Father's World". It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats) and the time signature is 4/4. The first system contains the first three lines of the hymn, and the second system contains the final two lines. The lyrics are printed below the vocal lines.

1. This is my Fa - ther's world, and to my lis - t'ning ears,
2. This is my Fa - ther's world, the birds their car - ols raise,
3. This is my Fa - ther's world, O let me ne'er for - get

all na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres.
the morn - ing light, the lil - y white, de - clare their Mak - er's praise.
that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Rul - er yet.

This is my Fa - ther's world: I rest me in the thought of
 This is my Fa - ther's world: he shines in all that's fair; in the
 This is my Fa - ther's world: the bat - tle is not done; Je -

rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won - ders wrought.
 rus - tling grass I hear him pass, he speaks to me ev - ery - where.
 sus who died shall be sat - is - fied, and earth and heav'n be one.

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, 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. -cont.*

By Your gospel, encourage us and save sinners today. Hear now our silent confession in Jesus' name.

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Isaiah 55:6-7

Leader: Hear the good news! "Seek the LORD while He may be found, Call upon Him while He is near. ⁷Let the wicked forsake his way, And the unrighteous man his thoughts; Let him return to the LORD, And He will have mercy on him; And to our God, For He will abundantly pardon."

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Psalm 42:1-5

TUNE: ST. AGNES

"Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee"

As in its thirst a fainting heart To water brooks doth flee,
So pants my longing soul, O God, That I may come to Thee.

My soul for God, the living God, Is thirsting; shall I near
Before the face of God approach And in His sight appear?

My tears have unto me been food Both in the night and day,
While unto me continu'ly, "Where is your God?" they say.

Poured out within me is my soul When this I think upon:
How often with the eager throng I rev'rently had gone,

How to the house of God I went With voice of joy and praise,
Yea, with the multitude that kept The solemn holy days.

O why, my soul, art thou bowed down? Why so discouraged be?
Hope now in God! I'll praise Him still! My help, my God is He

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 138:1-8

Leader: I will praise You with my whole heart; Before the gods I will sing praises to You.

All: *I will worship toward Your holy temple, And praise Your name For Your lovingkindness and Your truth; For You have magnified Your word above all Your name.*

Leader: In the day when I cried out, You answered me, *And* made me bold *with* strength in my soul.

All: *All the kings of the earth shall praise You, O LORD, when they hear the words of Your mouth.*

Leader: Yes, they shall sing of the ways of the LORD, for great *is* the glory of the LORD.

All: *Though the LORD is on high, Yet He regards the lowly; But the proud He knows from afar.*

Leader: Though I walk in the midst of trouble, You will revive me; You will stretch out Your hand Against the wrath of my enemies, And Your right hand will save me.

All: *The LORD will perfect that which concerns me; Your mercy, O LORD, endures forever; Do not forsake the works of Your hands.*

GOSPEL READING

Luke 13:18-35

Then He said, "What is the kingdom of God like? And to what shall I compare it? ¹⁹"It is like a mustard seed, which a man took and put in his garden; and it grew and became a large tree, and the birds of the air nested in its branches." ²⁰And again He said, "To what shall I liken the kingdom of God? ²¹"It is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal till it was all leavened." ²²And He went through the cities and villages, teaching, and journeying toward Jerusalem. ²³Then one said to Him, "Lord, are there few who are saved?" And He said to them, ²⁴"Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I say to you, will seek to enter and will not be able. ²⁵"When once the Master of the house has risen up and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and knock at the door, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open for us,' and He will answer and say to you, 'I do not know you, where you are from,' ²⁶"then you will begin to say, 'We ate and drank in Your presence, and You taught in our streets.' ²⁷"But He will say, 'I tell you I do not know you, where you are from. Depart from Me, all you workers of iniquity.' ²⁸"There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves thrust out. ²⁹"They will come from the east and the west, from the north and the south, and sit down in the kingdom of God. ³⁰"And indeed there are last who will be first, and there are first who will be last." ³¹On that very day some Pharisees came, saying to Him, "Get out and depart from here, for Herod wants to kill You." ³²And He said to them, "Go, tell that fox, 'Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I shall be perfected.' ³³"Nevertheless I must journey today, tomorrow, and the day following; for it cannot be that a prophet should perish outside of Jerusalem. ³⁴" O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her brood

under her wings, but you were not willing! ³⁵“See! Your house is left to you desolate; and assuredly, I say to you, you shall not see Me until the time comes when you say, ‘Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!’ “

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 John 5:1-21

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves Him who begot also loves him who is begotten of Him. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and keep His commandments. ³For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome. ⁴For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world -- our faith. ⁵Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? ⁶This is He who came by water and blood -- Jesus Christ; not only by water, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who bears witness, because the Spirit is truth. ⁷For there are three that bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one. ⁸And there are three that bear witness on earth: the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree as one. ⁹If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater; for this is the witness of God which He has testified of His Son. ¹⁰He who believes in the Son of God has the witness in himself; he who does not believe God has made Him a liar, because he has not believed the testimony that God has given of His Son. ¹¹And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. ¹²He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. ¹³These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may *continue* to believe in the name of the Son of God. ¹⁴Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. ¹⁵And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him. ¹⁶If anyone sees his brother sinning a sin *which does not lead* to death, he will ask, and He will give him life for those who commit sin not *leading* to death. There is sin *leading* to death. I do not say that he should pray about that. ¹⁷All unrighteousness is sin, and there is sin not *leading* to death. ¹⁸We know that whoever is born of God does not sin; but he who has been born of God keeps himself, and the wicked one does not touch him. ¹⁹We know that we are of God, and the whole world lies *under the sway* of the wicked one. ²⁰And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us an understanding, that we may know Him who is true; and we are in Him who is true, in His Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God and eternal life. ²¹Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen.

Psalm of Preparation*

TUNE: ST. FLAVIAN CM

Psalm 63:1-6

“In Sweet Communion, Lord”

God, Thee, my God, I'll early seek; My soul's athirst for Thee.
On dry land, weary, waterless, My flesh has longed for Thee.

Thus have I looked for Thee before Within Thy holy place
That there I might behold Thy strength And glory of Thy face.
Because Thy grace is more than life My lips Thee praise shall give;
I in Thy name will lift my hands And bless Thee while I live.
My soul with rich, abundant food Shall be well satisfied;
With shouts of joy upon my lips My mouth shall praise provide.
And when I turn my thought to Thee Upon my bed at night,
As watches pass I meditate On Thee with great delight.

SERMON

Psalm 63:1-11

“Desiring God”

Pastor Marc Miller

- ¹ O God, You *are* my God; Early will I seek You; My soul thirsts for You; My flesh longs for You In a dry and thirsty land Where there is no water.
- ² So I have looked for You in the sanctuary, To see Your power and Your glory.
- ³ Because Your lovingkindness *is* better than life, My lips shall praise You.
- ⁴ Thus I will bless You while I live; I will lift up my hands in Your name.
- ⁵ My soul shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness, And my mouth shall praise You with joyful lips.
- ⁶ When I remember You on my bed, I meditate on You in the *night* watches.
- ⁷ Because You have been my help, Therefore in the shadow of Your wings I will rejoice.
- ⁸ My soul follows close behind You; Your right hand upholds me.
- ⁹ But those *who* seek my life, to destroy *it*, Shall go into the lower parts of the earth.
- ¹⁰ They shall fall by the sword; They shall be a portion for jackals.
- ¹¹ But the king shall rejoice in God; Everyone who swears by Him shall glory; But the mouth of those who speak lies shall be stopped.

Sermon Notes:

- Point 1

- Point 2

- Point 3

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Hymn of Preparation**

TUNE: HAMBURG L.M.

"Amidst Us Our Beloved Stands"

Charles H. Spurgeon, 1866

1. A - midst us our Be - lov - ed stands, and bids us
 2. What food lux - u - rious loads the board, when at his
 3. If now, with eyes de - filed and dim, we see the
 4. O glo - rious Bride - groom of our hearts, your pres - ent

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view his pierc - ed hands; points to the wound - ed
 ta - ble sits the Lord! The wine how rich, the
 signs, but see not him; O may his love the
 smile a heav'n im - parts! O lift the veil, if

feet and side, blest em - blems of the Cru - ci - fied.
bread how sweet, when Je - sus deigns the guests to meet!
scales dis - place, and bid us see him face to face!
veil there be, let ev - ery saint your glo - ry see!

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*

1997 Vikki Cooke and Charitie L. Bancroft worship

"Before The Throne of God Above"

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea.
A great high Priest whose Name is Love Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands, My name is written on His heart.
I know that while in Heaven He stands No tongue can bid me thence depart

When Satan tempts me to despair And tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there Who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died My sinful soul is counted free.
For God the just is satisfied To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there the risen Lamb, My perfect spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM, The King of glory and of grace,
One in Himself I cannot die. My soul is purchased by His blood,
My life is hid with Christ on high, With Christ my Savior and my God!

BENEDICTION*

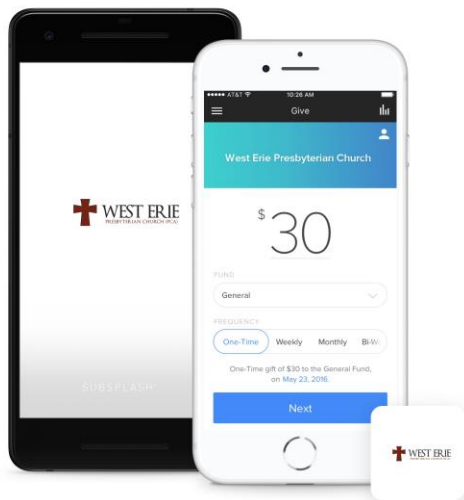
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Prayer Requests

- 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 Philipians" 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, starting at 4:30 p.m. The Location is 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.



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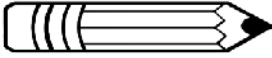
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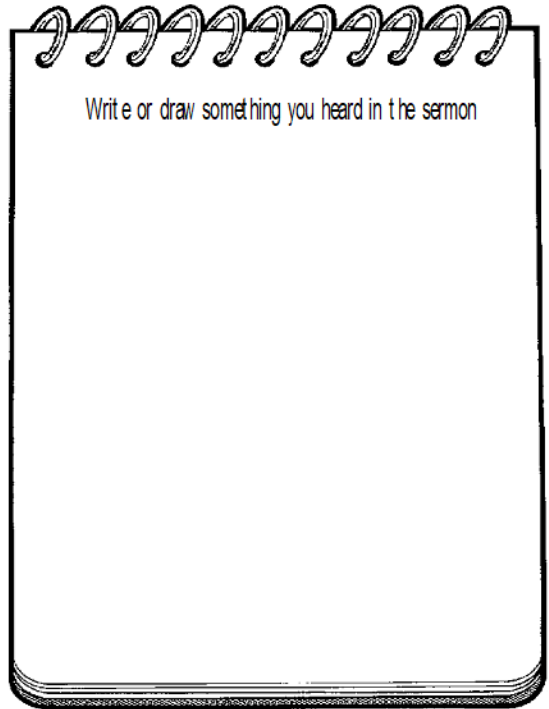
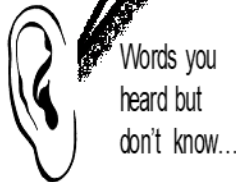
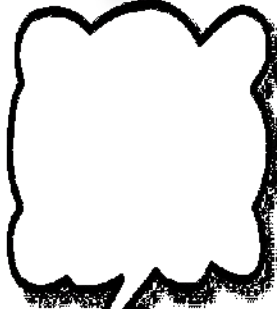
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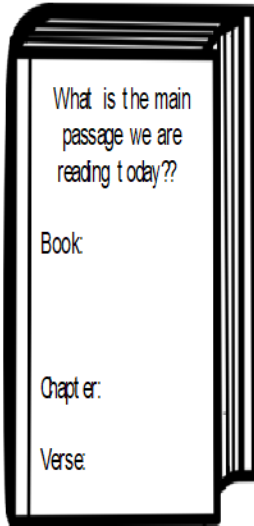
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As you attend church services with your family, use this sheet to help you pay attention and learn. We want you to worship with us by singing to God and listening to the message.



Write or draw something you heard in the sermon

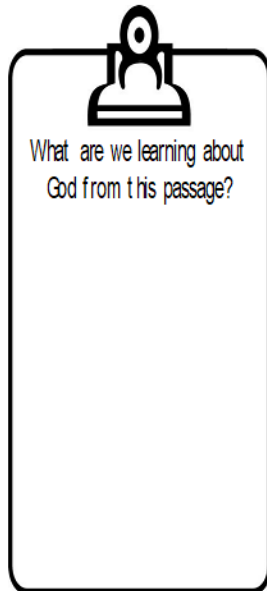


What is the main passage we are reading today??

Book:

Chapter:

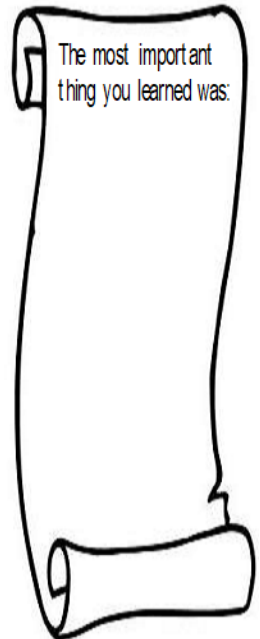
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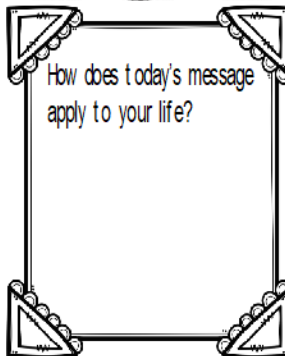
What are we learning about God from this passage?



Questions?



The most important thing you learned was:



How does today's message apply to your life?



Favorite song today was:

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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