



*“Blessed be the Lord,
Who daily loads us with benefits,
The God of our salvation!
– Psalm 68:19*

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements & Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 117:1-2

Leader: Praise the LORD, all you Gentiles! Laud Him, all you peoples!

All: For His merciful kindness is great toward us, And the truth of the LORD endures forever. Praise 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*

*Psalm of Praise**

TUNE: CONSTANCE 87.87.D

Psalm 136:1-16

“I’ve Found a Friend”

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 - rael through the part - ed wave; His mer-cy lasts for - ev - er;

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;

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

Adapted from John Calvin's Liturgy of 1543

All: *Lord God, eternal and almighty Father: We acknowledge before your holy majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in guilt and in corruption, prone to do evil, unable of our own power to do good. Because of our sin, we endlessly violate your holy commandments. But, O Lord, with heartfelt sorrow we repent and turn away from all our offenses. We condemn ourselves and our evil ways, with true sorrow asking that your grace will relieve our distress. Have compassion on us, most gracious God, Father of mercies, for the sake of your son Jesus Christ our Lord. And in removing our guilt, also grant us daily increase of the grace of your Holy Spirit and produce in*

us the fruits of holiness and of righteousness pleasing in your sight. Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 32:3-5

Leader: Hear the good news! When I kept silent, my bones grew old Through my groaning all the day long. ⁴For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me; My vitality was turned into the drought of summer. ⁵I acknowledged my sin to You, And my iniquity I have not hidden. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," And You forgave the iniquity of my sin."

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Offertory Psalm

TUNE: ST. AGNES CM

Psalm 42:1-5

"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 29:1-11

Leader: Give unto the LORD, O you mighty ones, Give unto the LORD glory and strength.

All: *Give unto the LORD the glory due to His name; Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.*

Leader: The voice of the LORD is over the waters; The God of glory thunders; The LORD is over many waters.

All: *The voice of the LORD is powerful; The voice of the LORD is full of majesty.*

Leader: The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars, Yes, the LORD splinters the cedars of Lebanon.

All: *He makes them also skip like a calf, Lebanon and Sirion like a young wild ox.*

Leader: The voice of the LORD divides the flames of fire.

All: *The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; The LORD shakes the Wilderness of Kadesh.*

Leader: The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth, And strips the forests bare; And in His temple everyone says, "Glory!"

All: *The LORD sat enthroned at the Flood, And the LORD sits as King forever.*

Leader: The LORD will give strength to His people; The LORD will bless His people with peace.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 19:1-27

Then Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. ²Now behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. ³And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not because of the crowd, for he was of short stature. ⁴So he ran ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him, for He was going to pass that way. ⁵And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and saw him, and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down, for today I must stay at your house." ⁶So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. ⁷But when they saw it, they all complained, saying, "He has gone to be a guest with a man who is a sinner." ⁸Then Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord, I give half of my goods to the poor; and if I have taken anything from anyone by false accusation, I restore fourfold." ⁹And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Abraham; ¹⁰for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost." ¹¹Now as they heard these things, He spoke another parable, because He was near Jerusalem and because they thought the kingdom of God would appear immediately. ¹²Therefore He said: "A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom and to return. ¹³So he called ten of his servants, delivered to them ten minas, and said to them, 'Do business till I come.' ¹⁴But his citizens hated him, and sent a delegation after

him, saying, 'We will not have this man to reign over us.' ¹⁵ And so it was that when he returned, having received the kingdom, he then commanded these servants, to whom he had given the money, to be called to him, that he might know how much every man had gained by trading. ¹⁶ Then came the first, saying, 'Master, your mina has earned ten minas.' ¹⁷ And he said to him, 'Well done, good servant; because you were faithful in a very little, have authority over ten cities.' ¹⁸ And the second came, saying, 'Master, your mina has earned five minas.' ¹⁹ Likewise he said to him, 'You also be over five cities.' ²⁰ Then another came, saying, 'Master, here is your mina, which I have kept put away in a handkerchief. ²¹ For I feared you, because you are an austere man. You collect what you did not deposit, and reap what you did not sow.' ²² And he said to him, 'Out of your own mouth I will judge you, you wicked servant. You knew that I was an austere man, collecting what I did not deposit and reaping what I did not sow. ²³ Why then did you not put my money in the bank, that at my coming I might have collected it with interest?' ²⁴ And he said to those who stood by, 'Take the mina from him, and give it to him who has ten minas.' ²⁵ ("But they said to him, 'Master, he has ten minas.') ²⁶ For I say to you, that to everyone who has will be given; and from him who does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him. ²⁷ But bring here those enemies of mine, who did not want me to reign over them, and slay them before me.' "

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 2:29-47

"Men and brethren, let me speak freely to you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰ Therefore, being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that of the fruit of his body, according to the flesh, He would raise up the Christ to sit on his throne, ³¹ he, foreseeing this, spoke concerning the resurrection of the Christ, that His soul was not left in Hades, nor did His flesh see corruption. ³² This Jesus God has raised up, of which we are all witnesses. ³³ Therefore being exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this which you now see and hear. ³⁴ For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he says himself: 'The LORD said to my Lord, "Sit at My right hand, ³⁵ Till I make Your enemies Your footstool.'" ' ³⁶ Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ." ³⁷ Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?" ³⁸ Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call." ⁴⁰ And with many other words he testified and exhorted them, saying, "Be saved from this perverse generation." ⁴¹ Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added to them. ⁴² And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers. ⁴³ Then fear came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common, ⁴⁵ and sold their possessions and goods, and divided them among all, as anyone had need. ⁴⁶ So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and

simplicity of heart, ⁴⁷praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved.

Hymn of Preparation*

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

TUNE: CRUSADER'S HYMN 5.6.8.5.5.8

Munster Gesangbuch, 1677

1. Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Rul - er of all na - ture,
 2. Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
 3. Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
 4. Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior! Lord of the na - tions!

Son of God and Son of Man! Thee will I cher - ish,
 robed in the bloom - ing garb of spring: Je - sus is fair - er,
 and all the twink - ling, star - ry host: Je - sus shines bright - er,
 Son of God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or,

thee will I hon - or, thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.
 Je - sus is pur - er, who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.
 Je - sus shines pur - er than all the an - gels heav'n can boast.
 praise, ad - o - ra - tion, now and for - ev - er - more be thine.

SERMON

Psalm 68:19-35

"Part 2 – Looking Ahead"

Pastor Marc Miller

To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. A Song.

- 19 Blessed *be* the Lord, *Who* daily loads us *with benefits*, The God of our salvation! Selah
- 20 Our God *is* the God of salvation; And to GOD the Lord *belong* escapes from death.
- 21 But God will wound the head of His enemies, The hairy scalp of the one who still goes on in His trespasses.
- 22 The Lord said, "I will bring back from Bashan, I will bring *them* back from the depths of the sea,
- 23 That your foot may crush *them* in blood, And the tongues of your dogs *may have* their portion from *your* enemies."
- 24 They have seen Your procession, O God, The procession of my God, my King, into the sanctuary.
- 25 The singers went before, the players on instruments *followed* after; Among *them were* the maidens playing timbrels.
- 26 Bless God in the congregations, The Lord, from the fountain of Israel.
- 27 There *is* little Benjamin, their leader, The princes of Judah *and* their company, The princes of Zebulun *and* the princes of Naphtali.
- 28 Your God has commanded your strength; Strengthen, O God, what You have done for us.
- 29 Because of Your temple at Jerusalem, Kings will bring presents to You.
- 30 Rebuke the beasts of the reeds, The herd of bulls with the calves of the peoples, *Till everyone* submits himself with pieces of silver. Scatter the peoples *who* delight in war.
- 31 Envoys will come out of Egypt; Ethiopia will quickly stretch out her hands to God.
- 32 Sing to God, you kingdoms of the earth; Oh, sing praises to the Lord, Selah
- 33 To Him who rides on the heaven of heavens, *which were* of old! Indeed, He sends out His voice, a mighty voice.
- 34 Ascribe strength to God; His excellence *is* over Israel, And His strength *is* in the clouds.
- 35 O God, *You are* more awesome than Your holy places. The God of Israel *is* He who gives strength and power to *His* people. Blessed *be* God!

Sermon Notes:

- Point 1

- Point 2

- Point 3

Hymn of Response - next pg.*

TUNE: ALL SAINTS OLD 8.7.8.7.7.7.7.

“Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder”

John Newton, 1774

BENEDICTION*

* --Please stand if able

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Prayer requests

- This week’s WEPCA Missionaries: The Kawachi Family
- Pray for our country’s leaders
- Pray for our covenant children
- Pray for our Elders and Deacons.
- 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, September 10, 8 a.m. – In person & ZOOM, “Let’s Study Philippians” chapters 21-22. Please note we are taking the month of July off.

1. Let us love and sing and won-der, let us praise the Sav-ior's name!
 2. Let us love the Lord who bought us, pit-ied us when en-e-mies,
 3. Let us sing, though fierce temp-ta-tion threat-en hard to bear us down!
 4. Let us won-der; grace and jus-tice join and point to mer-cy's store;
 5. Let us praise, and join the cho-rus of the saints en-throned on high;

He has hushed the law's loud thun-der, he has quenched Mount Si-nai's flame:
 called us by his grace, and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes:
 • For the Lord, our strong sal-va-tion, holds in view the con-qu'ror's crown:
 when through grace in Christ our trust is, jus-tice smiles and asks no more:
 here they trust-ed him be-fore us, now their prais-es fill the sky:

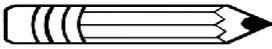
he has washed us with his blood, he has brought us nigh to God.
 he has washed us with his blood, he pre-sents our souls to God.
 • he who washed us with his blood soon will bring us home to God.
 he who washed us with his blood has se-cured our way to God.
 "You have washed us with your blood; you are wor- thy, Lamb of God!"

- Women's Bible Study: We will be taking some time off. Please stay tuned for the restart.
- Please mark your calendars for a picnic to be held at the church on Sunday, August 28, starting at 4 p.m. The church will be providing hamburgers and hot dogs. We ask you to bring a dish or two to pass. If possible, please refrain from using peanuts and tree nuts. Please sign up on the back board so we know how many will be attending and if your side dish is known. All are welcome to attend!

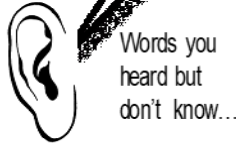
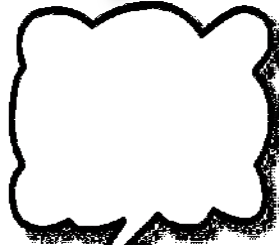
- We will be starting another new members/inquirers/communicant class on Sunday, September 11, starting at 6 p.m. at the church with a Zoom option. The class will run for 7 weeks, and materials will be provided. There is a sign-up sheet on the back board. If you have any questions, please talk to Pastor Miller.
- We are in need of a Sunday School teacher or teachers for our upper elementary/middle school class. The session asks all members to prayerfully consider serving your church in this way. Please see Pastor Miller if you have any interest or questions.

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.



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:

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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