



*“Make haste, O God, to deliver me! Make
haste to help me, O Lord!”*

– Psalm 70:1

WORSHIP LEADERS:

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THE LORD'S WORSHIP SERVICE
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements & Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Revelation 7:11b

Leader: "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom, Thanksgiving and honor and power and might, Be to our God forever and ever. Amen."

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: TO GOD BE THE GLORY 11.11.11.11.

"To God Be the Glory"

Fanny J. Crosby, 1875

1. To God be the glo - ry, great things he has done! So loved he the
2. O per - fect re-demp-tion, the pur - chase of blood! To ev - 'ry be -
3. Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, and great our re -

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

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

CONFESSTION 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 139:1-4, 23-24

All: “*O LORD, You have searched me and known me. You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off. You comprehend my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways. For there is not a word on my tongue, but behold, O LORD, You know it altogether. Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxieties; And see if there is any wicked way in me, And lead me in the way everlasting.*” Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus’ name.

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Colossians 2:13-14

Leader: Hear the good news! “And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses, ¹⁴having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.”

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Psalm 35:19-26

TUNE: HAMBURG LM

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

The musical notation consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. Both staves are in common time (indicated by '4'). The music features a mix of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the notes, corresponding to the numbered points in the text below. The melody includes several grace notes and slurs.

1. Let not my wrong - ful e - ne - mies Raise o - ver
2. They speak not peace; de - ceit they plot A - gainst the
3. LORD, Thou hast seen; then be not still! O Lord, be
4. Judge me in jus - tice, LORD my God, And let them
5. Let them be shamed and hum - bled all Who joy at

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me their joy - ful cries, Nor those whose hate I
men of peace - ful men; They o - pen wide their
not far from my sight! Stir up Thy - self! To
not re - joice in me, Nor say in heart, "He
my ca - la - mi ty; Let them be clothed with

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mer - it not With se - cret scorn - ing wink their eyes.
mouth at me And say, "A - ha! Our eyes have seen!"
jus - tice wake! My God, my Lord, up - hold my right!
is de - vour'd! Be - hold, our soul's de - sire we see!"
shame, dis - grace, Who mag - ni - fy them - selves o'er me.

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 72:1-13

Leader: Give the king Your judgments, O God, And Your righteousness to the king's Son.

All: *He will judge Your people with righteousness, And Your poor with justice.*

Leader: The mountains will bring peace to the people, And the little hills, by righteousness.

All: *He will bring justice to the poor of the people; He will save the children of the needy, And will break in pieces the oppressor.*

Leader: They shall fear You As long as the sun and moon endure, Throughout all generations.

All: *He shall come down like rain upon the grass before mowing, Like showers that water the earth.*

Leader: In His days the righteous shall flourish, And abundance of peace, Until the moon is no more.

All: He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, And from the River to the ends of the earth.

Leader: Those who dwell in the wilderness will bow before Him, And His enemies will lick the dust.

All: The kings of Tarshish and of the isles Will bring presents; The kings of Sheba and Seba Will offer gifts.

Leader: Yes, all kings shall fall down before Him; All nations shall serve Him.

All: For He will deliver the needy when he cries, The poor also, and him who has no helper.

Leader: He will spare the poor and needy, And will save the souls of the needy.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 20:1-19

Now it happened on one of those days, as He taught the people in the temple and preached the gospel, that the chief priests and the scribes, together with the elders, confronted Him ²and spoke to Him, saying, "Tell us, by what authority are You doing these things? Or who is he who gave You this authority?" ³But He answered and said to them, "I also will ask you one thing, and answer Me: ⁴The baptism of John -- was it from heaven or from men?" ⁵And they reasoned among themselves, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' He will say, 'Why then did you not believe him?' ⁶But if we say, 'From men,' all the people will stone us, for they are persuaded that John was a prophet." ⁷So they answered that they did not know where it was from. ⁸And Jesus said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things." ⁹Then He began to tell the people this parable: "A certain man planted a vineyard, leased it to vinedressers, and went into a far country for a long time. ¹⁰Now at vintage-time he sent a servant to the vinedressers, that they might give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the vinedressers beat him and sent him away empty-handed. ¹¹"Again he sent another servant; and they beat him also, treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty-handed. ¹²"And again he sent a third; and they wounded him also and cast him out. ¹³"Then the owner of the vineyard said, 'What shall I do? I will send my beloved son. Probably they will respect him when they see him.' ¹⁴"But when the vinedressers saw him, they reasoned among themselves, saying, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him, that the inheritance may be ours.' ¹⁵"So they cast him out of the vineyard and killed him. Therefore what will the owner of the vineyard do to them? ¹⁶"He will come and destroy those vinedressers and give the vineyard to others." And when they heard it they said, "Certainly not!" ¹⁷Then He looked at them and said, "What then is this that is written: 'The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone'?" ¹⁸"Whoever falls on that stone will be broken; but on whomever it falls, it will grind him to powder." ¹⁹And the chief priests and the scribes that very hour sought to lay hands on Him, but they feared the people -- for they knew He had spoken this parable against them.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 4:1-22

Now as they spoke to the people, the priests, the captain of the temple, and the Sadducees came upon them, ²being greatly disturbed that they taught the people and preached in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. ³And they laid hands on them, and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. ⁴However, many of those who heard the word believed; and the number of the men came to be about five thousand. ⁵And it came to pass, on the next day, that their rulers, elders, and scribes, ⁶as well as Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the family of the high priest, were gathered together at Jerusalem. ⁷And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, "By what power or by what name have you done this?" ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders of Israel: ⁹If we this day are judged for a good deed done to a helpless man, by what means he has been made well, ¹⁰let it be known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by Him this man stands here before you whole. ¹¹This is the 'stone which was rejected by you builders, which has become the chief cornerstone.' ¹²Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved." ¹³Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated and untrained men, they marveled. And they realized that they had been with Jesus. ¹⁴And seeing the man who had been healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it. ¹⁵But when they had commanded them to go aside out of the council, they conferred among themselves, ¹⁶saying, "What shall we do to these men? For, indeed, that a notable miracle has been done through them is evident to all who dwell in Jerusalem, and we cannot deny it. ¹⁷But so that it spreads no further among the people, let us severely threaten them, that from now on they speak to no man in this name." ¹⁸And they called them and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus. ¹⁹But Peter and John answered and said to them, "Whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you more than to God, you judge. ²⁰For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard." ²¹So when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding no way of punishing them, because of the people, since they all glorified God for what had been done. ²²For the man was over forty years old on whom this miracle of healing had been performed.

Psalm of Preparation* next pg.

TUNE: ST. CHRISTOPHER 76.86.86.86

Psalm 71:1-12

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

SERMON

Psalm 70:1-5

"A Psalm to Remember"

Pastor Marc Miller

To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. To Bring to Remembrance

¹ Make *haste*, O God, to deliver me! Make *haste* to help me, O LORD!

² Let them be ashamed and confounded Who seek my life; Let them be turned back and confused Who desire my hurt.

1. O LORD, in Thee I'm trust - ing; A - sham'd let me not be;
 2. From wick - edhands, God, free me, Hands cru - el and un - just;
 3. To ma - ny I'm a won - der; Thou art my re - fuge strong.
 4. My e - nemies with ha - tred A - gainst me e - vil speak;

O save me in Thy right-eous - ness, Give ear, and res - cue me.
 Thou, Lord Je - ho - vah, art my hope; From youth Thou art my trust.
 My mouth is brim - ming with Thy praise And hon - or all day long.
 Those who are watch - ing for my life U - nit - ed coun - sel seek.

10 Be Thou my rock, my dwel - ling place, My con - stant safe re - sort.
 For I have been sus - tain'd by Thee Through birth and ear - ly days;
 Do not re - ject me in the time When old age I shall see;
 They say, "God has for - sak - en him! Pur - sue him! None will save!"

15 Thou my sal - va - tion hast or - dain'd; Thou art my rock and fort.
 Brought from my moth - er's womb by Thee, I'll give Thee con - stant praise.
 And in my days of fail - ing strength Do not a - ban - don me.
 O God, do not be far from me; My God, Thy help I crave.

- 3 Let them be turned back because of their shame, Who say, "Aha, aha!"
 4 Let all those who seek You rejoice and be glad in You; And let those who love Your salvation say continually, "Let God be magnified!"
 5 But I am poor and needy; Make haste to me, O God! You are my help and my deliverer; O LORD, do not delay.

Sermon Notes:

- Point 1

- Point 2

- Point 3

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Hymn of Preparation** next pg.

TUNE: MARTYRDOM C.M.

"Alas, and Did My Savior Bleed"

Isaac Watts, 1707

1. A - las! and did my Sav - ior bleed, and did my Sov - ereign die!
 2. Was it for crimes that I had done he groaned up - on the tree!
 3. Well might the sun in dark - ness hide, and shut his glo - ries in,
 4. Thus might I hide my blush - ing face while his dear cross ap - pears;
 5. But drops of grief can ne'er re - pay the debt of love I owe;

Would he de - vote that sa - cred head for such a worm as I!
 A - maz - ing pit - y! Grace un - known! And love be - yond de - gree!
 • when Christ, the might - y Mak - er, died for man the crea - ture's sin.
 dis - solve my heart in thank - ful - ness, and melt mine eyes in tears.
 here, Lord, I give my - self a - way, 'tis all that I can do.

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: FOUNTAIN 8.6.8.6.6.8.6.

"There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood"

William Cowper, 1771

1. There is a foun - tain filled with blood, drawn from Im - man - uel's veins;
 2. The dy - ing thief re - joiced to see that foun-tain in his day;
 3. E'er since by faith I saw the stream your flow - ing wounds sup - ply,
 4. Then in a no - bler, sweet - er song I'll sing your pow'r to save,
 5. Dear dy - ing Lamb, your pre- cious blood shall nev - er lose its pow'r,

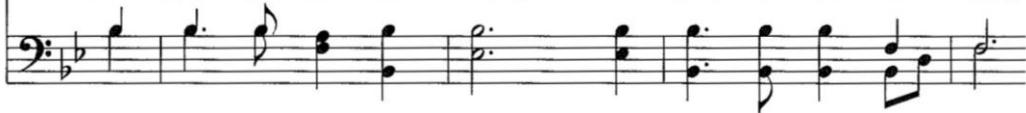


and sin - ners, plunged be -neath that flood, lose all their guilt -y stains:
and there have I, as vile as he, washed all my sins a - way:
• re - deem - ing love has been my theme, and shall be till I die:
when this poor lisp - ing, stam - m'ring tongue lies si - lent in the grave:
till all the ran - somed church of God be saved to sin no more:



(E⁷) (A) (D) (A) (D) (A) (E)

lose all their guilt -y stains, lose all their guilt -y stains;
washed all my sins a - way, washed all my sins a - way;
• and shall be till I die, and shall be till I die;
lies si - lent in the grave, lies si - lent in the grave;
be saved to sin no more, be saved to sin no more;



(A) (D) (A) (D) (A) (E⁷) (A)

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BENEDICTION*

* --Please stand if able

CCLI # 174248

Prayer requests

- This week's WEPCA Missionaries: The Nachtergale Family
- Pray for our country's leaders
- Pray for our covenant children
- Pray for our Elders and Deacons.
- Pray for the start of Sunday School
- 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" Chapter 21.
- 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 need 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.
- Sunday School Starts next Sunday at 10 a.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?

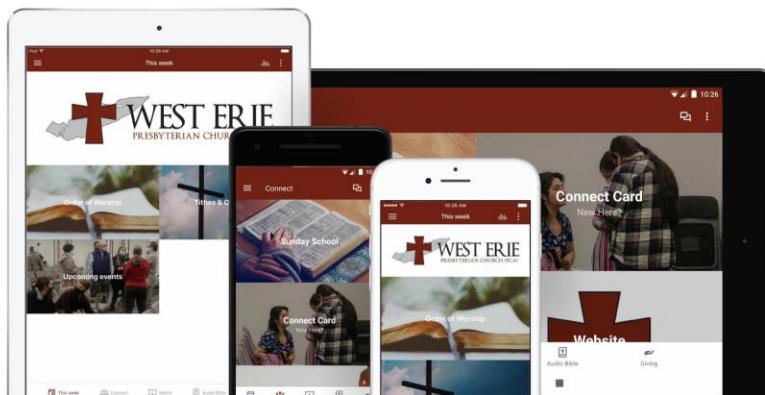
If you can answer “Yes” to each of these questions, then the Session of West Erie Presbyterian Church in America welcomes and invites you to partake of the Lord’s Supper with us today.

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.



West Erie Presbyterian Church

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Presbytery of the Ascension Missions Committee

MISSIONS EQUIP CONFERENCE

14-15 October 2022

3 Seminars in 3 Locations Focused on Supporting Missions and Missionaries

FEATURED SPEAKER: TE Greg Hills, Northeast Regional Hub Director for MTW. An effective trainer and communicator, Greg has 5 years of cross-cultural missions and 18 years of pastoral experience with the OPC and PCA.

HOST CHURCH, DATE, AND TIME FOR YOUR LOCATION:

- Chapel PCA, Beaver, PA Friday, 6:00 – 9:30 pm October 14th
- Hillcrest PCA, Volant, PA Saturday, 8:30 – 12:00 am October 15th
- West Erie PCA, Erie, PA Saturday, 2:30 – 6:00 pm October 15th

TARGET AUDIENCE: This seminar is designed for anyone in your congregation interested in new or deeper understanding of missions: missions committees, pastors, elders, members

OVERVIEW OF CONTENT: Presentations and break-out sessions

- Casting a Vision: A “how to” for church missions
- Cultivating: Educating and engaging the congregation in missions
- Caring and Connecting: With missionaries your church supports

OTHER FEATURES: We would like to include one or two missionaries in each seminar. Please contact Bill or Scott if you know of missionaries who will be in the area.

FURTHER QUESTIONS? Contact Presbytery Missions Committee

TE Bill Johnson: 724-777-2555 Acting Chair

TE Scott Moreland: 724-910-1583 Chair, MTW Sub-Committee

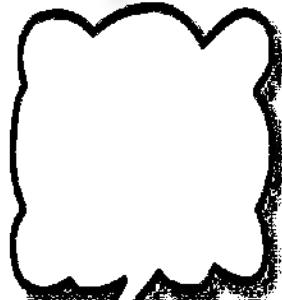
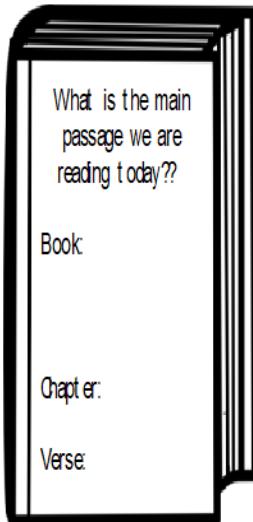
“Go, therefore and make disciples of all nations. . . ” (Matt. 28:19-20 ESV)

Sermon Notes FOR KIDS



Date: _____

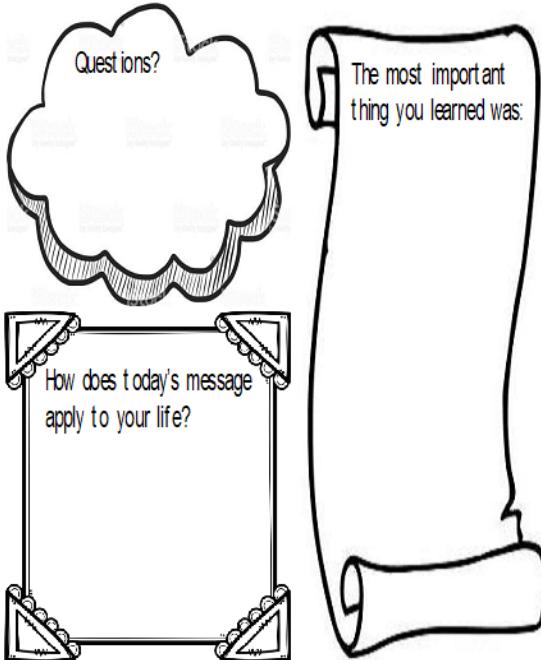
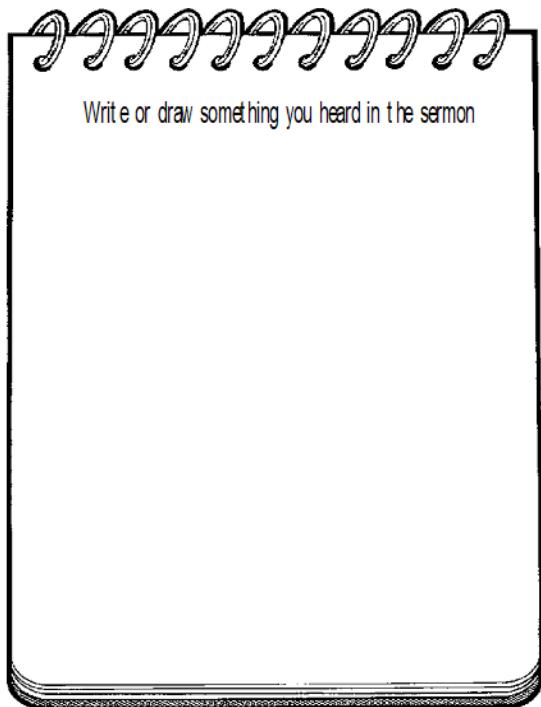
As you attend church services with your family, use this sheet to help you pay attention and learn. We want you to worship with us by singing to God and listening to the message.



Words you heard but don't know...



What are we learning about God from this passage?



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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