

"For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you." -John 13:15

THE LORD'S WORSHIP SERVICE SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2020

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Revelation 7:12b

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 (MEINKE)

Irreg. Charles Meineke, 1844

"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*

"Psalm 136:1-16"

TUNE: CONSTANCE 87.87.D

Based on John Craig and Scottish Psalter, 1564

O thank the LORD, for good is He; His mercy lasts forever. Thanks to the God of gods give ye; His mercy lasts forever. O praises give the King of kings; His mercy lasts forever; for He alone does wondrous things; His mercy lasts forever;

Who in His wisdom framed the skies; His mercy lasts forever; who made the earth from waters rise; His mercy lasts forever; Who placed the great lights on display; His mercy lasts forever; The sun to rule the sky by day; His mercy lasts forever;

The moon and stars to rule the night; His mercy lasts forever; who Egypt's firstborn all did smite; His mercy lasts forever; Who freed all Isr'el from their charm; His mercy lasts forever; With mighty hand and out– stretched arm; His mercy lasts forever;

Who by His wind the Red Sea clave; His mercy lasts forever; Led Isr'el through the parted wave; His mercy lasts forever; O'er Pharaoh He the Red Sea spread; His mercy lasts forever; Through desert wastes His people led; His mercy lasts forever;

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

All: We believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his father before all worlds, God of God, Light of light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven., and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures., and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and life in the world to come. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

All: Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before You our sinful nature, prone to evil and slothful in good, and all our shortcomings and offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, and in forgetting Your love. O Lord, have mercy on us, who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased You. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of Your dear Son. O most holy and loving Father, send Your purifying grace into our hearts, we beseech You, that we may henceforth live in Your light and walk in Your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 John 2:12

Leader: Hear the good news! "I write to you, little children, because your sins are forgiven you for His name's sake."

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Psalm 40:10-17

TUNE: I NEED THEE 66.66.D

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

I hid not in my heart Your truth and saving help; Your faithfulness I preached In the assembly great. You'll not withhold from me Your tender mercies, LORD, And Your unfailing love Will ever keep me safe.

Misfortunes beyond count Have taken hold of me.
My sins close in on me So that I cannot see.
In greater sum are they than hairs upon my head.
So my heart fails in me; my courage fades away.

Come to my rescue, LORD; O LORD, make haste to help. Let all who seek my life Be shamed and be confused. Let them fall back in shame Who want to see my hurt; Let them be dumb who jeer, "Aha! Aha!" to me.

Let all men who seek You be glad and in You joy; who Your salvation love Say, "Glory to the LORD!" Though I'm in want and poor, The Lord takes thought of me. My Help, my Savior, come! O God, do not delay!

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 133:1-3

Leader: Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!

All: It is like the precious oil upon the head, running down on the beard, the beard of Aaron, Running down on the edge of his garments.

Leader: It is like the dew of Hermon, descending upon the mountains of Zion; For there the LORD commanded the blessing -- Life forevermore

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 32:15-35

¹⁵And Moses turned and went down from the mountain, and the two tablets of the Testimony were in his hand. The tablets were written on both sides; on the one side and on the other they were written. ¹⁶Now the tablets were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God engraved on the tablets. ¹⁷And when Joshua heard the noise of the people as they shouted, he said to Moses, "There is a noise of war in the camp." 18But he said: "It is not the noise of the shout of victory, Nor the noise of the cry of defeat, But the sound of singing I hear." ¹⁹So it was, as soon as he came near the camp, that he saw the calf and the dancing. So Moses' anger became hot, and he cast the tablets out of his hands and broke them at the foot of the mountain. ²⁰Then he took the calf which they had made, burned it in the fire, and ground it to powder; and he scattered it on the water and made the children of Israel drink it. ²¹And Moses said to Aaron, "What did this people do to you that you have brought so great a sin upon them?" ²²So Aaron said, "Do not let the anger of my lord become hot. You know the people, that they are set on evil. ²³"For they said to me, 'Make us gods that shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.' 24" And I said to them, 'Whoever has any gold, let them break it off.' So they gave it to me, and I cast it into the fire, and this calf came out." 25 Now when Moses saw that the people were unrestrained (for Aaron had not restrained them, to their shame among their enemies), ²⁶then Moses stood in the entrance of the camp, and said, "Whoever is on the LORD's side -- come to me." And all the sons of Levi gathered themselves together to him. ²⁷And he said to them, "Thus says the LORD God of Israel: 'Let every man put his sword on his side, and go in and out from entrance to entrance throughout the camp, and let every man kill his brother, every man his companion, and every man his neighbor." "28So the sons of Levi did according to the word of Moses. And about three thousand men of the people fell that day. ²⁹Then Moses said, "Consecrate yourselves today to the LORD, that He may bestow on you a blessing this day, for every man has opposed his son and his brother." ³⁰Now it came to pass on the next day that Moses said to the people, "You have committed a great sin. So now I will go up to the LORD; perhaps I can make atonement for your sin." 31Then Moses returned to the LORD and said, "Oh, these people have committed a great sin, and have made for themselves a god of gold! 32" Yet now, if You will forgive their sin -- but if not, I pray, blot me out of Your book which You have written." 33And the LORD said to Moses, "Whoever has sinned against Me, I will blot him out of My book. 34" Now therefore, go, lead the people to the place of which I have spoken to you. Behold, My Angel shall go before you. Nevertheless, in the day when I visit for punishment, I will visit punishment upon them for their sin." 35So the LORD plagued the people because of what they did with the calf which Aaron made.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Corinthians 1:1-17

Paul, called *to be* an apostle of Jesus Christ through the will of God, and Sosthenes *our* brother, ²To the church of God which is at Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called *to be* saints, with all who in every place call on the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs

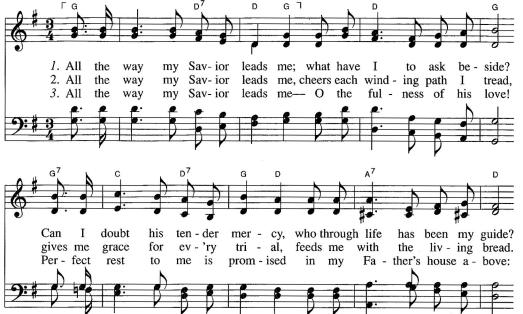
and ours: ³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴I thank my God always concerning you for the grace of God which was given to you by Christ Jesus, 5that you were enriched in everything by Him in all utterance and all knowledge, 6even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you, 7so that you come short in no gift, eagerly waiting for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ, 8who will also confirm you to the end, that you may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. ¹⁰Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. ¹¹For it has been declared to me concerning you, my brethren, by those of Chloe's household, that there are contentions among you. ¹²Now I say this, that each of you says, "I am of Paul," or "I am of Apollos," or "I am of Cephas," or "I am of Christ." 13Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? 14I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, 15lest anyone should say that I had baptized in my own name. 16 Yes, I also baptized the household of Stephanas. Besides, I do not know whether I baptized any other. ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel, not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of no effect.

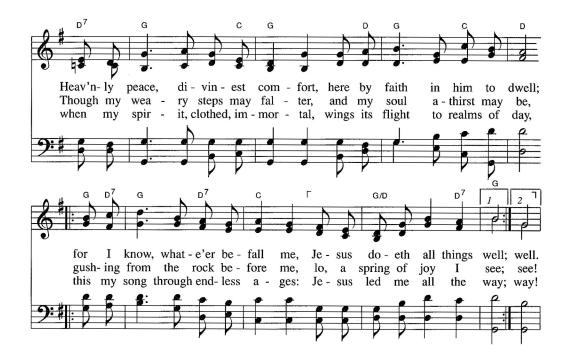
Hymn of Preparation*

"All the Way My Savior Leads Me"

TUNE: ALL THE WAY 8.7.8.7.D

Fanny J. Crosby 1875





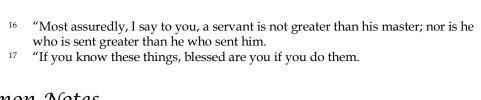
SERMON

John 13:6-17

"Digging A Little Deeper"

Pastor Marc Miller

- Then He came to Simon Peter. And *Peter* said to Him, "Lord, are You washing my feet?"
- ⁷ Jesus answered and said to him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but you will know after this."
- Peter said to Him, "You shall never wash my feet!" Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no part with Me."
- 9 Simon Peter said to Him, "Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head!"
- Jesus said to him, "He who is bathed needs only to wash *his* feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean, but not all of you."
- 11 $\,$ For He knew who would be tray Him; therefore He said, "You are not all clean."
- So when He had washed their feet, taken His garments, and sat down again, He said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you?
- "You call me Teacher and Lord, and you say well, for so I am.
- "If I then, *your* Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.
- ¹⁵ "For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you.



Sermon Notes

• Point 1

• Point 2

• Point 3



BENEDICTION*

* --Please stand if able CCLI # 174248

Prayer Requests

- This week's WEPCA Missionaries: The Williams Family
- Pray for our covenant children
- Pray for our elders
- Pray for Sunday school and our Sunday school teachers
- Pray for those dealing with physical ailments

Announcements

- The men of the church are invited to attend a breakfast fellowship to be held the first Saturday of the month. The next one will be on Saturday, March 7, at 8 a.m. at IHOP on West 12th St. For More information see Pastor Miller.
- Sunday School starts at 10 a.m. We have three classes for elementary aged children and an adult class. The adults are studying the Sermon on the Mount.
- We will be having a fellowship luncheon after the morning worship service today. All are welcome and encouraged to attend!
- The Women of Ascension Presbytery will be having a spring brunch, meeting, and missionary chat at Hillcrest PCA on Saturday March 14. If you would like more information, please see Natalie Miller.
- We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper next week. Please take some time this
 week to prepare your hearts accordingly through prayer and the reading of
 Scripture.

Gym Volunteers

February 23—April Scarpitti

March 1—Natalie Miller

Nursery/Childcare

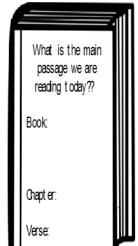
If at all possible, we want families to worship together. But, at times, it may be necessary, for the orderliness and edification of the church, to utilize the nursery in the library, which is equipped with chairs and a sound system

Sermon Notes

FOR KIDS



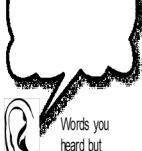
As you attend church services with your family, use this sheet to help you pay attention and learn. We want you to worship with us by singing to God and list ening to the message.



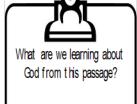


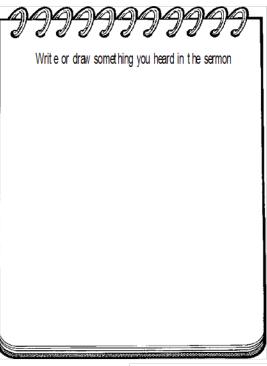
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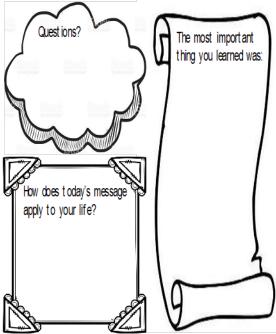




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WELCOME!

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.
 - o This means that we believe in the inspired and inerrant Word of God.
 - o This means we believe in the absolute sovereignty of God.
 - This means we hold to a covenantal framework of Scripture.
 - o This means that 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 Apostles' 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).
 - o 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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