



*"But when the Helper comes,
whom I shall send to you from the Father,
the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the
Father, He will testify of Me." --John 15:26*

THE LORD'S WORSHIP SERVICE
SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2020

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 91:1-2

Leader: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation.

All: *Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms*

*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*

*Hymn of Praise**

TUNE: NICEA 11.12.12.10

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

Reginald Heber, 1783-1826

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a treble and bass staff. The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are written below the treble staff. The score includes four verses of lyrics. Above the treble staff, the following chords are indicated: G, D, Bm, A, D, G, D, and a fermata over the final D. The lyrics are: 1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y! 2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee, 3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee, 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pur - i - ty.
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

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: 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 shortcomings 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. By Your gospel, encourage us and save sinners today. We ask expectantly through the mediation of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hebrews 7:23-25

Leader: Hear the good news! "Also there were many priests, because they were prevented by death from continuing. But He, because He continues forever, has an unchangeable priesthood. Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them."

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

***We ask that for the time being you send your tithe checks by mail to our treasurer*

Psalm 47

TUNE: PETERSHAM CMD

Based on Scottish Psalter, 1650

All peoples, clap your hands for joy; To God in triumph shout;
For awesome is the LORD Most High, Great King the earth throughout.
He brings the peoples under us in mastery complete;
And He it is Who nations all Subdues beneath our feet.

The land of our inheritance He chooses out for us,
and He to us the glory gives of Jacob whom He loves.
God is ascended with a shout, The LORD with trumpeting.
Sing praises unto God! Sing praise! Sing praises to our King!
For God is King of all the earth; Sing praise with skillfulness.
God rules the nations; God sits on His throne of holiness.
Assemble, men of Abraham's God! Come, people, princes, nigh!
The shields of earth belong to God; He is exalted high.

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 139:1-14

Leader: You have searched me and known me.

All: You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off.

Leader: You comprehend my path and my lying down, And are acquainted with all my ways.

All: For there is not a word on my tongue, But behold, O LORD, You know it altogether.

Leader: You have hedged me behind and before, And laid Your hand upon me.

All: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; It is high, I cannot attain it.

Leader: Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence?

All: If I ascend into heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in hell, behold, You are there.

Leader: If I take the wings of the morning, And dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,

All: Even there Your hand shall lead me, And Your right hand shall hold me.

Leader: If I say, "Surely the darkness shall fall on me," Even the night shall be light about me;

All: Indeed, the darkness shall not hide from You, But the night shines as the day; The darkness and the light are both alike to You.

Leader: For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb.

All: I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Numbers 2:1-34

And the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying: ²"Everyone of the children of Israel shall camp by his own standard, beside the emblems of his father's house; they shall camp some distance from the tabernacle of meeting. ³"On the east side, toward the rising of the sun, those of the standard of the forces with Judah shall camp according to their armies; and Nahshon the son of Amminadab shall be the leader of the children of Judah." ⁴And his army was numbered at seventy-four thousand six hundred. ⁵"Those who camp next to him shall be the tribe of Issachar, and Nethanel the son of Zuar shall be the leader of the children of Issachar." ⁶And his army was numbered at fifty-four thousand four hundred. ⁷"Then comes the tribe of Zebulun, and Eliab the son of Helon shall be the leader of the children of Zebulun." ⁸And his army was numbered at fifty-seven thousand four hundred. ⁹"All who were numbered according to their armies of the forces with Judah, one hundred and eighty-six thousand four hundred -- these shall break camp first. ¹⁰" On the south side shall be the standard of the forces with Reuben according to their armies, and the leader of the children of Reuben shall be Elizur the son of Shedeur." ¹¹And his army was numbered at forty-six thousand five hundred. ¹²"Those who camp next to him shall be the tribe of Simeon, and the leader of the children of Simeon shall be Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai." ¹³And his army was numbered at fifty-nine thousand three hundred. ¹⁴"Then comes the tribe of Gad, and the leader of the children of Gad shall be Eliasaph the son of Reuel." ¹⁵And his army was numbered at forty-five thousand six hundred and fifty. ¹⁶"All who were numbered according to their armies of the forces with Reuben, one hundred and fifty-one thousand four hundred and fifty -- they shall be the second to break camp. ¹⁷"And the tabernacle of meeting shall move out with the camp of the Levites in the middle of the camps; as they camp, so they shall move out, everyone in his place, by their standards. ¹⁸" On the west side shall be the standard of the forces with Ephraim according to their armies, and the leader of the children of Ephraim shall be Elishama the son of Ammihud." ¹⁹And his army was numbered at forty thousand five hundred. ²⁰"Next to him comes the tribe of Manasseh, and the leader of the children of Manasseh shall be Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur." ²¹And his army was numbered at thirty-two thousand two hundred. ²²"Then comes the tribe of Benjamin, and the leader of the children of Benjamin shall be Abidan the son of Gideoni." ²³And his army was numbered at thirty-five thousand four hundred. ²⁴"All who were numbered according to their armies of the forces with Ephraim, one hundred and eight thousand one hundred -- they shall be the third to break camp. ²⁵"The standard of the forces with Dan shall be on the north side according to their armies, and the leader of the children of Dan shall be Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai." ²⁶And his army was numbered at sixty-two thousand seven hundred. ²⁷"Those who camp next to him shall be the tribe of Asher, and the leader of the children of Asher shall be Pagiel the son of Ocran." ²⁸And his army was numbered at forty-one thousand five hundred. ²⁹"Then comes the tribe of Naphtali, and the leader of the children of Naphtali shall be Ahira the son of Enan." ³⁰And his army was numbered at fifty-three thousand four hundred. ³¹"All who were numbered of the forces with Dan, one hundred and fifty-seven thousand six hundred -- they shall break camp last, with their standards." ³²These are the ones who were numbered of the children of Israel by their fathers' houses. All who were numbered according to their armies of the forces were six hundred and three thousand five hundred and fifty. ³³But the Levites were not numbered among the children of Israel, just as

the LORD commanded Moses. ³⁴Thus the children of Israel did according to all that the LORD commanded Moses; so they camped by their standards and so they broke camp, each one by his family, according to their fathers' houses.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Corinthians 11:17-34

Now in giving these instructions I do not praise you, since you come together not for the better but for the worse. ¹⁸For first of all, when you come together as a church, I hear that there are divisions among you, and in part I believe it. ¹⁹For there must also be factions among you, that those who are approved may be recognized among you. ²⁰Therefore when you come together in one place, it is not to eat the Lord's Supper. ²¹For in eating, each one takes his own supper ahead of others; and one is hungry and another is drunk. ²²What! Do you not have houses to eat and drink in? Or do you despise the church of God and shame those who have nothing? What shall I say to you? Shall I praise you in this? I do not praise you. ²³For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; ²⁴and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me." ²⁵In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." ²⁶For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes. ²⁷Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. ²⁸But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup. ²⁹For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. ³⁰For this reason many are weak and sick among you, and many sleep. ³¹For if we would judge ourselves, we would not be judged. ³²But when we are judged, we are chastened by the Lord, that we may not be condemned with the world. ³³Therefore, my brethren, when you come together to eat, wait for one another. ³⁴But if anyone is hungry, let him eat at home, lest you come together for judgment. And the rest I will set in order when I come.

Psalm of Preparation*

TUNE: DUNDEE CM

"Psalm 121"

Based on Scottish Psalter, 1615

I to the hills will lift my eyes. From whence shall come my aid?
My safety cometh from the LORD who heav'n and earth has made.

Thy foot He'll not let slide, nor will He slumber that thee keeps.
Lo, He that keepeth Is-ra-el, He slumbers not nor sleeps.

The LORD thee keeps; the LORD thy shade on thy right hand doth stay;
The moon by night thee shall not smite, Nor yet the sun by day.

The LORD shall keep thee from all ill; He shall preserve thy soul.
The LORD as thou shalt go and come forever keeps thee whole.

SERMON

John 15:26-16:11

"Help and Hardship"

Pastor Marc Miller

- 26 "But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me.
- 27 "And you also will bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning.
- 1 "These things I have spoken to you, that you should not be made to stumble.
- 2 "They will put you out of the synagogues; yes, the time is coming that whoever kills you will think that he offers God service.
- 3 "And these things they will do to you because they have not known the Father nor Me.
- 4 "But these things I have told you, that when the time comes, you may remember that I told you of them. And these things I did not say to you at the beginning, because I was with you.
- 5 "But now I go away to Him who sent Me, and none of you asks Me, 'Where are You going?'
- 6 "But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart.
- 7 "Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you.
- 8 "And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:
- 9 "of sin, because they do not believe in Me;
- 10 "of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more;
- 11 "of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

Sermon Notes:

- Point 1

- Point 2

- Point 3

*Hymn of Response**

TUNE: ASSURACNE 9.10.9.9.ref.

"Blessed Assurance"

Fanny J. Crosby, 1873

1. Bless - ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! O what a fore - taste of
 2. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per - fect de - light, vi - sions of rap - ture now
 3. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, all is at rest, I in my Sav - ior am

E A D G D

glo - ry di - vine! Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of God,
 burst on my sight; an - gels de - scend - ing, bring from a - bove
 hap - py and blest; watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a - bove,

G Em A7 D REFRAIN

born of his Spir - it, washed in his blood.
 ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love. This is my sto - ry,
 filled with his good - ness, lost in his love.

G D G D A E A A7

this is my song, prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long; this is my

D G D G Em A' D

sto - ry, this is my song, prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long.

BENEDICTION*

* --Please stand if able
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Prayer Requests

- This week's WEPCA Missionaries: The Williams Family
- Pray for our covenant children
- Pray for our elders
- Pray for those dealing with physical ailments
- Pray for our Nation's leaders
- Pray for God's all sufficient grace to be known in all our lives

Announcements

- The session has decided to cancel the formal church meetings for the time being given the current circumstances. We are planning to livestream the worship service starting at 11 a.m. Sunday mornings until further notice. The livestream link can be found at www.wepca.org. We will still record the sermon and upload it on the website too.
- The session wants to exhort the church family to continue to lift one another up in prayer, check on one another, and if you need anything please call Pastor Marc or one of the elders. This is a great opportunity to show our love for one another in real ways!
- We will be having a prayer meeting over Zoom on Wednesday evenings starting at 8:30 p.m. All are encouraged to attend.

Gym Volunteers

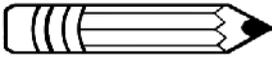
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Nursery/Childcare

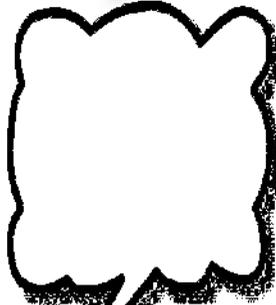
- If at all possible, we want families to worship together. But, at times, it may be necessary, for the orderliness and edification of the church, to utilize the nursery in the library, which is equipped with chairs and a sound system

Sermon Notes FOR KIDS

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...

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:

Favorite song today was:

How does today's message apply to your life?

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