

**WEST ERIE**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

*“... Only Noah and those who were with  
him in the ark remained alive.”  
- Genesis 7:23b*

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THE LORD'S WORSHIP SERVICE  
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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Preparation for Worship

## CALL TO WORSHIP\*

*Revelation 15:3b-4*

Leader: "Great and marvelous *are* Your works, Lord God Almighty!

All: *Just and true are Your ways, O King of the saints!*

Leader: Who shall not fear You, O Lord, and glorify Your name?

All: *For You alone are holy. For all nations shall come and worship before You, For Your judgments have been manifested."*

## *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: TO GOD BE THE GLORY 11.11.11.11.

### *"To God be the Glory"*

Fanny J. Crosby, 1875

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "To God be the Glory". It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is written in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the treble staff. The lyrics are: 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 -

G A' D G D' G

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

D G C G D7 G

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  
G D G D D7

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

G D7 G F D7 G

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!

## CONFESSION 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.*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

**All:** *Almighty God, I am a sinner. Your Word and my heart confirm that to me. I have done things You have forbidden and left undone things You have commanded. I have not loved You with all my heart, soul, mind, and strength. I have not loved my neighbor as myself. As judge of the whole earth You would be just to condemn me. Yet in Your love You sent Christ to bear the guilt of my sin and suffer my punishment. To Him now I flee; forgive me for His sake, and by Your Spirit help me to live in the light of His sacrifice, a life worthy of Your name. Judge me not according to my work but according to Your mercy in Jesus Christ. For in Him I hope and in Him I come before You this day. Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.*

## SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*1<sup>st</sup> John 1:8-9*

**Leader:** Hear the good news! "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. <sup>9</sup>If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

## WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

***Psalm 40:1-9***

TUNE: I NEED THEE 66.66.D.

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

1. I wait - ed for the LORD; He stooped and heard my cry.  
 2. Ma - ny will see with awe, And so will trust the LORD.  
 3. You want no of - fer - ing, Nor ask a sa - cri - fice,  
 4. "To do Your will, O God, To me is my de - light.

4  
 He brought me from the pit, Out of the dung - eon mire,  
 Bless'd he who trusts in GOD, And turns not to false men.  
 But You have gi - ven me, A read - y ear to hear  
 Your law is part of me, Deep in my heart, O God."

8  
 My feet set on a rock, My foot - steps made se - cure.  
 You have worked won - ders, LORD; No one com - pares to You! —  
 You ask no off - rings burnt Nor sa - cri - fice for sin. —  
 In con - gre - ga - tion great I told Your right - eous - ness.

12  
 My lips He gave a song, A song to praise our God.  
 Should I de - clare each one, Their num - ber is too great.  
 So I say, "Here I come, As in the scroll in - scribed.  
 You know, LORD, I spoke out; — I did not close my lips.

## 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."*

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*Ivy Evelyn Crane*

## RECEIVING OF NEW MEMBER

*Darren Suroviec*

## RESPONSIVE PSALM READING

*Psalm 124:1-8*

Leader: "If it had not been the LORD who was on our side," Let Israel now say --

*All: "If it had not been the LORD who was on our side, When men rose up against us,*

Leader: *Then they would have swallowed us alive, When their wrath was kindled against us;*

*All: Then the waters would have overwhelmed us, The stream would have gone over our soul;*

Leader: *Then the swollen waters Would have gone over our soul."*

*All: Blessed be the LORD, Who has not given us as prey to their teeth.*

Leader: *Our soul has escaped as a bird from the snare of the fowlers; The snare is broken, and we have escaped.*

*All: Our help is in the name of the LORD, Who made heaven and earth.*

## GOSPEL READING

*Luke 1:1-25*

Inasmuch as many have taken in hand to set in order a narrative of those things which have been fulfilled among us, <sup>2</sup>just as those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word delivered them to us, <sup>3</sup>it seemed good to me also, having had perfect understanding of all things from the very first, to write to you an orderly account, most excellent Theophilus, <sup>4</sup>that you may know the certainty of those things in which you were instructed. <sup>5</sup>There was in the days of Herod, the king of Judea, a certain priest named

Zacharias, of the division of Abijah. His wife *was* of the daughters of Aaron, and her name *was* Elizabeth. <sup>6</sup>And they were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless. <sup>7</sup>But they had no child, because Elizabeth was barren, and they were both well advanced in years. <sup>8</sup>So it was, that while he was serving as priest before God in the order of his division, <sup>9</sup>according to the custom of the priesthood, his lot fell to burn incense when he went into the temple of the Lord. <sup>10</sup>And the whole multitude of the people was praying outside at the hour of incense. <sup>11</sup>Then an angel of the Lord appeared to him, standing on the right side of the altar of incense. <sup>12</sup>And when Zacharias saw *him*, he was troubled, and fear fell upon him. <sup>13</sup>But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zacharias, for your prayer is heard; and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John. <sup>14</sup>"And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth. <sup>15</sup>"For he will be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink. He will also be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb. <sup>16</sup>"And he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God. <sup>17</sup>"He will also go before Him in the spirit and power of Elijah, 'to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children,' and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready a people prepared for the Lord." <sup>18</sup>And Zacharias said to the angel, "How shall I know this? For I am an old man, and my wife is well advanced in years." <sup>19</sup>And the angel answered and said to him, "I am Gabriel, who stands in the presence of God, and was sent to speak to you and bring you these glad tidings. <sup>20</sup>"But behold, you will be mute and not able to speak until the day these things take place, because you did not believe my words which will be fulfilled in their own time." <sup>21</sup>And the people waited for Zacharias, and marveled that he lingered so long in the temple. <sup>22</sup>But when he came out, he could not speak to them; and they perceived that he had seen a vision in the temple, for he beckoned to them and remained speechless. <sup>23</sup>And so it was, as soon as the days of his service were completed, that he departed to his own house. <sup>24</sup>Now after those days his wife Elizabeth conceived; and she hid herself five months, saying, <sup>25</sup>"Thus the Lord has dealt with me, in the days when He looked on *me*, to take away my reproach among people."

## NEW TESTAMENT READING

*Hebrews 5:1-14*

For every high priest taken from among men is appointed for men in things pertaining to God, that he may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins. <sup>2</sup>He can have compassion on those who are ignorant and going astray, since he himself is also subject to weakness. <sup>3</sup>Because of this he is required as for the people, so also for himself, to offer sacrifices for sins. <sup>4</sup>And no man takes this honor to himself, but he who is called by God, just as Aaron was. <sup>5</sup>So also Christ did not glorify Himself to become High Priest, but it was He who said to Him: "You are My Son, Today I have begotten You." <sup>6</sup>As He also says in another place: "You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek"; <sup>7</sup>who, in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications, with vehement cries and tears to Him who was able to save Him from death, and was heard because of His godly fear, <sup>8</sup>though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered. <sup>9</sup>And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him, <sup>10</sup>called by God as High Priest "according to the order of Melchizedek," <sup>11</sup>of whom we have much to say, and hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing. <sup>12</sup>For though by this time you ought to be

teachers, you need someone to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food. <sup>13</sup>For everyone who partakes only of milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe. <sup>14</sup>But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, that is, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.

### *Psalm of Preparation\**

TUNE: EVENTIDE 10.10.10.10.

### *“Psalm 39:1-6”*

*“Abide with Me”*

“I will take heed and guard my ways,” I said,  
“So that my tongue no sinful word shall stain;  
As with a bridle I will keep my mouth,  
While in my presence wicked men remain.”

In silence dumb I ceased from speaking good;  
My heart within was hot, my sorrow stirred;  
And while I mused the fire began to burn;  
Then spake I with my tongue this earnest word:

“My end, O LORD, and measure of my days  
Make me to know, and thus my frailty see.  
Lo, Thou hast made my days an handbreadth long;  
My lifetime is a nothing unto Thee.

“Each man at best is altogether vain.  
Each man doth surely walk in empty show;  
They heap up wealth and vex themselves for naught,  
Nor know to whom their garnered riches go.

## SERMON

*Genesis 7:17-24*

*“The Flood-Part 2”*

*Pastor Marc Miller*

- 17 Now the flood was on the earth forty days. The waters increased and lifted up the ark, and it rose high above the earth.
- 18 The waters prevailed and greatly increased on the earth, and the ark moved about on the surface of the waters.
- 19 And the waters prevailed exceedingly on the earth, and all the high hills under the whole heaven were covered.
- 20 The waters prevailed fifteen cubits upward, and the mountains were covered.
- 21 And all flesh died that moved on the earth: birds and cattle and beasts and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, and every man.
- 22 All in whose nostrils was the breath of the spirit of life, all that was on the dry land, died.

- 23 So He destroyed all living things which were on the face of the ground: both man and cattle, creeping thing and bird of the air. They were destroyed from the earth. Only Noah and those who were with him in the ark remained alive.
- 24 And the waters prevailed on the earth one hundred and fifty days.

### Hymn of Response\*

Words and Music by Keith Getty & Stuart Townend

### "In Christ Alone"

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1. In Christ a-lone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song;
2. In Christ a-lone who took on flesh, Full-ness of God in help-less babe!
3. There in the ground His bo-dy lay, Light of the world by dark-ness slain:
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the pow'r of Christ in me;



This Cor-ner-stone, this so-lid Ground, Firm through the fier-cest drought and storm.  
 This gift of love and righ-teous-ness, Scorned by the ones He came to save:  
 Then burst-ing forth in glor-ious Day Up from the grave He rose a-gain!  
 From life's first cry to fi-nal breath, Je-sus com-mands my de-sti-ny.



What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when stri-ving cease!  
 'Til on that cross as Je-sus died, The wrath of God was sa-tis-fied.  
 And as He stands in vic-to-ry Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
 No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, Can ev-er pluck me from His hand;



My Com-for-ter, my All in All, Here in the love of Christ I stand.  
 For e-very sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.  
 For I am His and He is mine Bought with the pre-cious blood of Christ.  
 'Til He re-turms or calls me home, Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

### BENEDICTION\*

\* --Please stand if able  
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### Prayer Requests

- This week's WEPCA Missionaries: The Kawachi Family
- Pray for our Nation's leaders

## Sermon Notes

- Point 1

- Point 2

- Point 3

- Pray for our elders and deacons
- Pray for Sunday School.
- Pray for our covenant children

## Announcements

- We will be having a prayer meeting over Zoom on Wednesday evenings starting at 8:30 p.m. All are encouraged to attend. If you need more information, please see Pastor Miller.
- The next men's Bible study will be on Saturday, November 6, at 8 a.m. We will be working through the book of Philippians using Sinclair Ferguson's "Let's Study Philippians" book. Please read chapter 5 and 6.
- Sunday School starts at 10 a.m. We offer 3 elementary aged classes and an adult class. The adults are studying the Westminster Shorter Catechism.

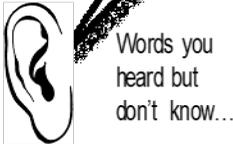
- The next women’s book study will be on Monday, October 25, at 7:30 p.m. The book study is titled “In All Things” by Mellissa Kruger. It is a study on the book of Philippians. For more information, please see Mary Moser.
- Please mark your calendars for a Fall clean up event at the church. It will be held on Saturday, November 13, starting at 9 am. All are welcome and encouraged to help!
- We will be having our annual congregational meeting after church on Sunday, November 7.

# 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 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](http://www.pcanet.org)).

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