



*Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth,
and the life. No one comes to the Father
except through Me." --John 14:6*

THE LORD'S WORSHIP SERVICE
SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2020

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 75:1

Leader: We give thanks to You, O God, we give thanks! For Your wondrous works declare
that Your name is near.

*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**

TUNE: TERRA BEATA SMD

“Psalm 11”

“This Is My Father’s World”

My trust is in the LORD; How can you say to me,
“Now like a bird from peril haste And to your mountain flee!
The wicked bend the bow with arrow fixed for flight,
And stealthily in darkness go the true in heart to smite.
“Foundations are destroyed! What can the righteous try?”
The LORD is in His holy place; The LORD’S throne is on high.
His eyes will surely see, His eyelids try men’s sons.
The LORD tries just and wicked men; His soul hates cruel ones.
Upon all wicked men He’ll rain entangling snares.
Brimstone and fire and burning wind He for their cup prepares.
For righteous is the LORD, And He loves righteousness;
And every one who upright is Will see His gracious face.

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

Psalm 25:4-7, 11

All: *“Show me Your ways, O LORD; Teach me Your paths. Lead me in Your truth and teach me, For You are the God of my salvation; On You I wait all the day. Remember, O LORD, Your tender mercies and Your lovingkindnesses, For they are from of old. Do not remember the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions; According to Your mercy remember me, For Your goodness' sake, O LORD. For Your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my iniquity, for it is great .” Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.*

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Proverbs 28:13

Leader: *Hear the good news! “For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. “*

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

***The offering basket will be on the table in the back for you to drop it off on the your out.*

Psalm 3

TUNE: NEW BRITAIN CM

“Amazing Grace”

O LORD, how are my foes increased! Against me many rise.
How many say, “In vain for help He on his God relies!”

You are my shield and glory, LORD; You lifted up my head.
I cried out, “LORD!” and from His hill to me His answer sped.

I lay down, slept, and woke again the LORD is keeping me.
I will not fear ten thousand men entrenched surrounding me.

Arise, O LORD! Save me, my God! You punish all my foes.
You smite the face of wicked men, their teeth break with your blows.

Deliverance is from the LORD, Salvation His alone!
O let Your blessing evermore Be on Your people shown!

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 138:1-8

Leader: I will praise You with my whole heart; Before the gods I will sing praises to You.

All: *I will worship toward Your holy temple, and praise Your name For Your lovingkindness and Your truth; For You have magnified Your word above all Your name.*

Leader: In the day when I cried out, You answered me, And made me bold with strength in my soul.

All: *All the kings of the earth shall praise You, O LORD, When they hear the words of Your mouth.*

Leader: Yes, they shall sing of the ways of the LORD, for great is the glory of the LORD.

All: *Though the LORD is on high, Yet He regards the lowly; But the proud He knows from afar.*

Leader: Though I walk in the midst of trouble, You will revive me; You will stretch out Your hand Against the wrath of my enemies, And Your right hand will save me.

All: The LORD will perfect that which concerns me; Your mercy, O LORD, endures forever; Do not forsake the works of Your hands.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 35:1-35

Then Moses gathered all the congregation of the children of Israel together, and said to them, "These are the words which the LORD has commanded you to do: ² "Work shall be done for six days, but the seventh day shall be a holy day for you, a Sabbath of rest to the LORD. Whoever does any work on it shall be put to death. ³ "You shall kindle no fire throughout your dwellings on the Sabbath day." ⁴ And Moses spoke to all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying, "This is the thing which the LORD commanded, saying: ⁵ "Take from among you an offering to the LORD. Whoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it as an offering to the LORD: gold, silver, and bronze; ⁶ 'blue, purple, and scarlet thread, fine linen, and goats' hair; ⁷ 'ram skins dyed red, badger skins, and acacia wood; ⁸ 'oil for the light, and spices for the anointing oil and for the sweet incense; ⁹ 'onyx stones, and stones to be set in the ephod and in the breastplate. ¹⁰ ' All who are gifted artisans among you shall come and make all that the LORD has commanded: ¹¹ 'the tabernacle, its tent, its covering, its clasps, its boards, its bars, its pillars, and its sockets; ¹² 'the ark and its poles, with the mercy seat, and the veil of the covering; ¹³ 'the table and its poles, all its utensils, and the showbread; ¹⁴ 'also the lampstand for the light, its utensils, its lamps, and the oil for the light; ¹⁵ 'the incense altar, its poles, the anointing oil, the sweet incense, and the screen for the door at the entrance of the tabernacle; ¹⁶ 'the altar of burnt offering with its bronze grating, its poles, all its utensils, and the laver and its base; ¹⁷ 'the hangings of the court, its pillars, their sockets, and the screen for the gate of the court; ¹⁸ 'the pegs of the tabernacle, the pegs of the court, and their cords; ¹⁹ 'the garments of ministry, for ministering in the holy place -- the holy garments for Aaron the priest and the garments of his sons, to minister as priests.' " ²⁰ And all the congregation of the children of Israel departed from the presence of Moses. ²¹ Then everyone came whose heart was stirred, and everyone whose spirit was willing, and they brought the LORD's offering for the work of the tabernacle of meeting, for all its service, and for the holy garments. ²² They came, both men and women, as many as had a willing heart, and brought earrings and nose rings, rings and necklaces, all jewelry of gold, that is, every man who made an offering of gold to the LORD. ²³ And every man, with whom was found blue, purple, and scarlet thread, fine linen, and goats' hair, red skins of rams, and badger skins, brought them. ²⁴ Everyone who offered an offering of silver or bronze brought the LORD's offering. And everyone with whom was found acacia wood for any work of the service, brought it. ²⁵ All the women who were gifted artisans spun yarn with their hands, and brought what they had spun, of blue, purple, and scarlet, and fine linen. ²⁶ And all the women whose heart stirred with wisdom spun yarn of goats' hair. ²⁷ The rulers brought onyx stones, and the stones to be set in the ephod and in the breastplate, ²⁸ and spices and oil for the light, for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense. ²⁹ The children of Israel brought a freewill offering to the LORD, all the men and women whose hearts were willing to bring material for all kinds of work which the LORD, by the hand of Moses, had commanded to be done. ³⁰ And Moses said to the children of Israel, "See, the LORD has called by name Bezalel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah; ³¹ "and He has filled him with the Spirit of God, in wisdom and understanding,

in knowledge and all manner of workmanship, ³² “to design artistic works, to work in gold and silver and bronze, ³³ “in cutting jewels for setting, in carving wood, and to work in all manner of artistic workmanship. ³⁴ “And He has put in his heart the ability to teach, in him and Aholiab the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan. ³⁵ “He has filled them with skill to do all manner of work of the engraver and the designer and the tapestry maker, in blue, purple, and scarlet thread, and fine linen, and of the weaver -- those who do every work and those who design artistic works.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Corinthians 4:1-20

Let a man so consider us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. ² Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful. ³ But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged by you or by a human court. In fact, I do not even judge myself. ⁴ For I know nothing against myself, yet I am not justified by this; but He who judges me is the Lord. ⁵ Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord comes, who will both bring to light the hidden things of darkness and reveal the counsels of the hearts. Then each one's praise will come from God. ⁶ Now these things, brethren, I have figuratively transferred to myself and Apollos for your sakes, that you may learn in us not to think beyond what is written, that none of you may be puffed up on behalf of one against the other. ⁷ For who makes you differ *from another*? And what do you have that you did not receive? Now if you did indeed receive *it*, why do you boast as if you had not received *it*? ⁸ You are already full! You are already rich! You have reigned as kings without us -- and indeed I could wish you did reign, that we also might reign with you! ⁹ For I think that God has displayed us, the apostles, last, as men condemned to death; for we have been made a spectacle to the world, both to angels and to men. ¹⁰ *We are* fools for Christ's sake, but you *are* wise in Christ! *We are* weak, but you *are* strong! *You are* distinguished, but we *are* dishonored! ¹¹ To the present hour we both hunger and thirst, and we are poorly clothed, and beaten, and homeless. ¹² And we labor, working with our own hands. Being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we endure; ¹³ being defamed, we entreat. We have been made as the filth of the world, the offscouring of all things until now. ¹⁴ I do not write these things to shame you, but as my beloved children I warn *you*. ¹⁵ For though you might have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet *you do not have* many fathers; for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel. ¹⁶ Therefore I urge you, imitate me. ¹⁷ For this reason I have sent Timothy to you, who is my beloved and faithful son in the Lord, who will remind you of my ways in Christ, as I teach everywhere in every church. ¹⁸ Now some are puffed up, as though I were not coming to you. ¹⁹ But I will come to you shortly, if the Lord wills, and I will know, not the word of those who are puffed up, but the power. ²⁰ For the kingdom of God *is* not in word but in power. ²¹ What do you want? Shall I come to you with a rod, or in love and a spirit of gentleness?

Hymn of Preparation*

TUNE: DUKE STREET L.M.

“Jesus Shall Reign”

Based on Psalm 72. Isaac Watts, 1719

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1. Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does his suc -
 2. To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
 3. Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his
 4. Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns; the pris - 'ner
 5. Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar

G D Em D A D A⁷ D G D A⁷ D

ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from shore to
 throught to crown his head; his name, like sweet per - fume, shall
 • love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es shall pro -
 leaps to lose his chains, the wea - ry find e - ter - nal
 hon - ors to our King; an - gels de - scend with songs a -

A G C^{#dim} D Em⁷ D Em D A⁷ D ⁷

shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
 rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
 • claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
 rest, and all the sons of want are blest.
 gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men!

SERMON

John 14:4-6

"The Way, The Truth, The Life"

Pastor Marc Miller

4 "And where I go you know, and the way you know."

- 5 Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?"
- 6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

Sermon Notes:

- Point 1

- Point 2

- Point 3

*Hymn of Response**

TUNE: AURELIA 7.6.6.6.D.

"The Church's One Foundation"

Horatio G. Spafford, 1873

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "The Church's One Foundation". 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 4/4. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. There are four lines of lyrics centered between the two staves. The lyrics are:

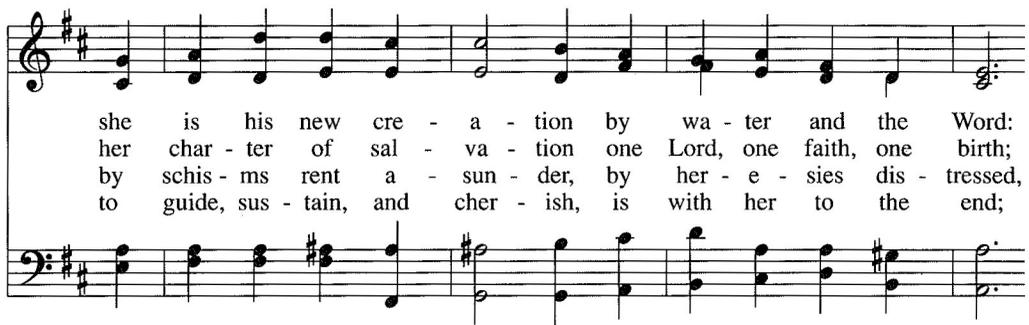
1. The church - 's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;

2. E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,

3. Though with a scorn - ful won - der men see her sore op - pressed,

4. The church shall nev - er per - ish! Her dear Lord to de - fend,

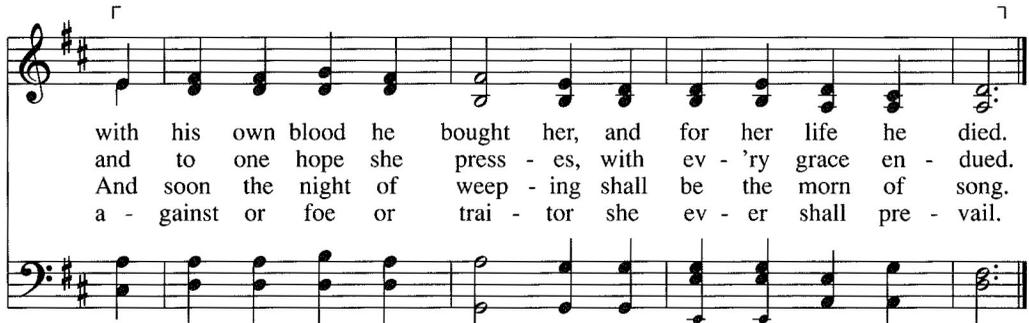
The score includes a repeat sign at the beginning and a fermata over the final note of the melody.



she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the Word:
her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth;
by schis - ms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
to guide, sus - tain, and cher - ish, is with her to the end;



from heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
yet saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How long?"
though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale,



with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
and to one hope she press - es, with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
And soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
a - gainst or foe or trai - tor she ev - er shall pre - vail.

5. 'Mid toil and tribulation,
and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation
of peace forevermore;
till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious
shall be the church at rest.

6. Yet she on earth hath union
with God the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly,
on high may dwell with thee.

BENEDICTION*

* --Please stand if able
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Prayer Requests

- This week's WEPCA Missionaries: The Kawachi Family
- Pray for our covenant children
- Pray for our elders
- Pray for those dealing with physical ailments
- Pray for our Nations leaders

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, April 4, at 8 a.m. at IHOP on West 12th St. For More information see Pastor Miller.
- Sunday School has been canceled for the rest of the year given the current circumstance. A big thank you to our Sunday School teachers!
- The session is staying up to date as much as possible with the coronavirus and our ability to meet together. There may come a time soon when we will be attempting to livestream the service on Sunday mornings. If that does happen, we will send out the link and instructions on how to join us.

Gym Volunteers

March 22—Natalie Miller

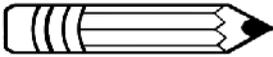
March 29—Barb Miller

Nursery/Childcare

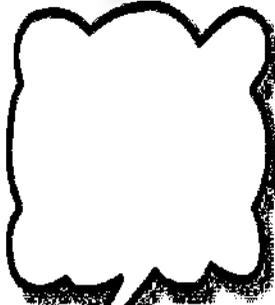
- If at all possible, we want families to worship together. But, at times, it may be necessary, for the orderliness and edification of the church, to utilize the nursery in the library, which is equipped with chairs and a sound system

Sermon Notes FOR KIDS

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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