



*“These things I have spoken to you,  
that My joy may remain in you,  
and that your joy may be full.”  
John 15:11*

THE LORD’S WORSHIP SERVICE  
SUNDAY, MAY 10, 2020

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Preparation for Worship

## CALL TO WORSHIP\*

*Revelation 15:3 b-4a*

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.*

## *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: OLD 100<sup>TH</sup> LM

## *“Psalm 100”*

Based on William Keith and Sottish Psalter, 1564

All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the LORD with cheerful voice.  
Him serve with mirth; His praise forth tell; come ye before Him and rejoice.

Know that the LORD is God indeed; without our aid He did us make.  
We are His folk; He doth us feed, and for His sheep He doth us take.

O enter then His gates with praise; within His courts your thanks proclaim;  
With grateful hearts your voices raise to bless and magnify His name.

Because the LORD our God is good, His mercy is forever sure;  
His truth at all times firmly stood and shall from age to age endure.

## 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

*Adapted from John Calvin's Geneva Liturgy of 1543*

**All:** *Lord God, eternal and almighty Father: We acknowledge before your holy majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in guilt and in corruption, prone to do evil, unable of our own power to do good. Because of our sin, we endlessly violate your holy commandments. But, O Lord, with heartfelt sorrow we repent and turn away from all our offenses. We condemn ourselves and our evil ways, with true sorrow asking that your grace will relieve our distress. Have compassion on us, most gracious God, Father of mercies, for the sake of your son Jesus Christ our Lord. And in removing our guilt, also grant us daily increase of the grace of your Holy Spirit and produce in us the fruits of holiness and of righteousness pleasing in your sight. Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.*

## SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*John 3:16-17*

**Leader:** Hear the good news! "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved."

## WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

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

### ***Psalm 8***

TUNE: AMSTERDAM 76.76.77.76

Elements from *The Psalter*, 1912

LORD, our Lord, in all the earth How excellent Your name!  
You above the heav'ns have set The splendor of Your fame.  
From the mouths of infants young You the power of praise compose  
In the face of enemies to stop avenging foes.

When I view the skies above which Your own fingers made,  
When I see the moon and stars Which You in order laid,  
what is man so frail and weak that You should remember him?  
What can be the son of man that You should care for him?

Next to God You have made man, with light and honor crowned.  
You placed him above Your works; beneath him all is found:  
oxen, sheep, and all wild beasts, Birds, and fish the oceans claim.  
LORD, our Lord, in all the earth How excellent Your name!

## 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 149:1-9*

Leader: Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song, And His praise in the assembly of saints.

**All:** *Let Israel rejoice in their Maker; Let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.*

Leader: Let them praise His name with the dance; Let them sing praises to Him with the timbrel and harp.

**All:** *For the LORD takes pleasure in His people; He will beautify the humble with salvation.*

Leader: Let the saints be joyful in glory; Let them sing aloud on their beds.

**All:** *Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, And a two-edged sword in their hand,*

Leader: To execute vengeance on the nations, And punishments on the peoples;

**All:** *To bind their kings with chains, And their nobles with fetters of iron;*

Leader: To execute on them the written judgment -- This honor have all His saints. Praise the LORD!

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Exodus 40:1-38*

Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying: <sup>2</sup>"On the first day of the first month you shall set up the tabernacle of the tent of meeting. <sup>3</sup>You shall put in it the ark of the Testimony, and partition off the ark with the veil. <sup>4</sup>You shall bring in the table and arrange the things that are to be set in order on it; and you shall bring in the lampstand and light its lamps. <sup>5</sup>You shall also set the altar of gold for the incense before the ark of the Testimony, and put up the screen for the door of the tabernacle. <sup>6</sup>Then you shall set the altar of the burnt offering before the door of the tabernacle of the tent of meeting. <sup>7</sup>And you shall set the laver between the tabernacle of meeting and the altar, and put water in it. <sup>8</sup>You shall set up the court all around, and hang up the screen at the court gate. <sup>9</sup>And you shall take the anointing oil, and anoint the tabernacle and all that is in it; and you shall hallow it and all its utensils, and it shall be holy. <sup>10</sup>You shall anoint the altar of the burnt offering and all its utensils, and consecrate the altar. The altar shall be most holy. <sup>11</sup>And you shall anoint the laver and its base, and consecrate it. <sup>12</sup>Then you shall bring Aaron and his sons to the door of the tabernacle of meeting and wash them with water. <sup>13</sup>You shall put the holy garments on Aaron, and anoint him and consecrate him, that he may minister to Me as priest. <sup>14</sup>And you shall bring his sons and clothe them with tunics. <sup>15</sup>You shall anoint them, as you anointed their father, that they may minister to Me as priests; for their anointing shall surely be an everlasting priesthood throughout their generations." <sup>16</sup>Thus Moses did; according to all that the LORD had commanded him, so he did. <sup>17</sup>And it came to pass in the first month of the second year, on the first day of the month, that the tabernacle was raised up. <sup>18</sup>So Moses raised up the tabernacle, fastened its sockets, set up its boards, put in its bars, and raised up its pillars. <sup>19</sup>And he spread out the tent over the tabernacle and put the covering of the tent on top of it, as the LORD had commanded Moses. <sup>20</sup>He took the Testimony and put it into the ark, inserted the poles through the rings of the ark, and put the mercy seat on top of the ark. <sup>21</sup>And he brought the ark into the tabernacle, hung up the veil of the covering, and partitioned off the ark of the Testimony, as the LORD had commanded Moses. <sup>22</sup>He put the table in the tabernacle of meeting, on the north side of the tabernacle, outside the veil; <sup>23</sup>and he set the bread in order upon it before the LORD, as the LORD had commanded Moses. <sup>24</sup>He put the lampstand in the tabernacle of meeting, across from the table, on the south side of the tabernacle; <sup>25</sup>and he lit the lamps before the LORD, as the LORD had commanded Moses. <sup>26</sup>He put the gold altar in the tabernacle of meeting in front of the veil; <sup>27</sup>and he burned sweet incense on it, as the LORD had commanded Moses. <sup>28</sup>He hung up the screen at the door of the tabernacle. <sup>29</sup>And he put the altar of burnt offering before the door of the tabernacle of the tent of meeting, and offered upon it the burnt offering and the grain offering, as the LORD had commanded Moses. <sup>30</sup>He set the laver between the tabernacle of meeting and the altar, and put water there for washing; <sup>31</sup>and Moses, Aaron, and his sons would wash their hands and their feet with water from it. <sup>32</sup>Whenever they went into the tabernacle of meeting, and

when they came near the altar, they washed, as the LORD had commanded Moses. <sup>33</sup>And he raised up the court all around the tabernacle and the altar, and hung up the screen of the court gate. So Moses finished the work. <sup>34</sup>Then the cloud covered the tabernacle of meeting, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle. <sup>35</sup>And Moses was not able to enter the tabernacle of meeting, because the cloud rested above it, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle. <sup>36</sup>Whenever the cloud was taken up from above the tabernacle, the children of Israel would go onward in all their journeys. <sup>37</sup>But if the cloud was not taken up, then they did not journey till the day that it was taken up. <sup>38</sup>For the cloud of the LORD was above the tabernacle by day, and fire was over it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel, throughout all their journeys.

## NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Corinthians 9:1-27

Am I not an apostle? Am I not free? Have I not seen Jesus Christ our Lord? Are you not my work in the Lord? <sup>2</sup>If I am not an apostle to others, yet doubtless I am to you. For you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. <sup>3</sup>My defense to those who examine me is this: <sup>4</sup>Do we have no right to eat and drink? <sup>5</sup>Do we have no right to take along a believing wife, as *do* also the other apostles, the brothers of the Lord, and Cephas? <sup>6</sup>Or *is it* only Barnabas and I *who* have no right to refrain from working? <sup>7</sup>Who ever goes to war at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard and does not eat of its fruit? Or who tends a flock and does not drink of the milk of the flock? <sup>8</sup>Do I say these things as a *mere* man? Or does not the law say the same also? <sup>9</sup>For it is written in the law of Moses, "You shall not muzzle an ox while it treads out the grain." Is it oxen God is concerned about? <sup>10</sup>Or does He say *it* altogether for our sakes? For our sakes, no doubt, *this* is written, that he who plows should plow in hope, and he who threshes in hope should be partaker of his hope. <sup>11</sup>If we have sown spiritual things for you, *is it* a great thing if we reap your material things? <sup>12</sup>If others are partakers of *this* right over you, *are* we not even more? Nevertheless we have not used this right, but endure all things lest we hinder the gospel of Christ. <sup>13</sup>Do you not know that those who minister the holy things eat *of the things* of the temple, and those who serve at the altar partake *of the offerings* of the altar? <sup>14</sup>Even so the Lord has commanded that those who preach the gospel should live from the gospel. <sup>15</sup>But I have used none of these things, nor have I written these things that it should be done so to me; for it *would be* better for me to die than that anyone should make my boasting void. <sup>16</sup>For if I preach the gospel, I have nothing to boast of, for necessity is laid upon me; yes, woe is me if I do not preach the gospel! <sup>17</sup>For if I do this willingly, I have a reward; but if against my will, I have been entrusted with a stewardship. <sup>18</sup>What is my reward then? That when I preach the gospel, I may present the gospel of Christ without charge, that I may not abuse my authority in the gospel. <sup>19</sup>For though I am free from all *men*, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win the more; <sup>20</sup>and to the Jews I became as a Jew, that I might win Jews; to those *who are* under the law, as under the law, that I might win those *who are* under the law; <sup>21</sup>to those *who are* without law, as without law (not being without law toward God, but under law toward Christ), that I might win those *who are* without law; <sup>22</sup>to the weak I became as weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all *men*, that I might by all means save some. <sup>23</sup>Now this I do for the gospel's sake, that I may be partaker of it with *you*. <sup>24</sup>Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but one receives the prize? Run in

such a way that you may obtain *it*.<sup>25</sup>And everyone who competes *for the prize* is temperate in all things. Now they *do it* to obtain a perishable crown, but we *for an imperishable crown*.<sup>26</sup>Therefore I run thus: not with uncertainty. Thus I fight: not as *one who* beats the air. <sup>27</sup>But I discipline my body and bring *it* into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified.

### Hymn of Preparation\*

TUNE: ST. AGNES C.M.

### "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee"

Latin, 11<sup>th</sup> Cent. Tr. by Edward Caswall, 1849

1. Je - sus, the ver - y thought of thee with sweet-ness fills my breast;  
 2. Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame, nor can the mem - 'ry find,  
 3. O Hope of ev - 'ry con - trite heart, O Joy of all the meek,  
 4. But what to those who find? Ah, this nor tongue nor pen can show:  
 5. Je - sus, our on - ly joy be thou, as thou our prize wilt be;

but sweet - er far thy face to see, and in thy pres - ence rest.  
 a sweet - er sound than thy blest name, O Sav - ior of man - kind.  
 • to those who fall, how kind thou art! How good to those who seek!  
 the love of Je - sus, what it is none but his loved ones know.  
 Je - sus, be thou our glo - ry now, and through e - ter - ni - ty.

### SERMON

John 15:9-11

"The Results of Abiding in Christ" Pastor Marc Miller

- <sup>9</sup> "As the Father loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love.  
<sup>10</sup> "If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love.  
<sup>11</sup> "These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and *that* your joy may be full.

## Sermon Notes:

- Point 1

- Point 2

- Point 3

### *Hymn of Response\**

Words and Music by Keith Getty & Stuart Townend

### *“Speak O Lord”*

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Speak, O Lord, as we come to You To receive the food of Your Holy Word.  
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,  
That the light of Christ might be seen today In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.  
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us All Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, Holy reverence, true humility;  
Test our thoughts and our attitudes In the radiance of Your purity.  
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see Your majestic love and authority.  
Words of pow’r that can never fail – Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us –  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time That will echo down through eternity.  
And by grace we’ll stand on Your promises, And by faith we’ll walk as You walk with us.  
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built And the earth is filled with Your glory.

### **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](http://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**

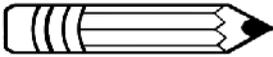
\*\*Postponed for the time being

## **Nursery/Childcare**

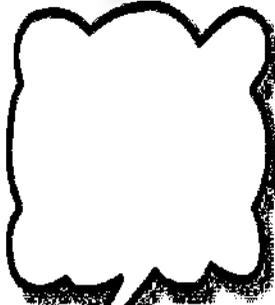
- If at all possible, we want families to worship together. But, at times, it may be necessary, for the orderliness and edification of the church, to utilize the nursery in the library, which is equipped with chairs and a sound system

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

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