



*“...In the world you will have tribulation;
but be of good cheer, I have overcome the
world.” --John 16:33b*

THE LORD’S WORSHIP SERVICE
SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2020

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 89:1-2

Leader: I will sing of the mercies of the LORD forever; With my mouth will I make known
Your faithfulness to all generations.

*All: For I have said, "Mercy shall be built up forever; Your faithfulness You shall
establish in the very heavens."*

*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: EIN' FESTE BURG 88.88.66.668

"Psalm 46"

"A Might Fortress Is Our God"

God is our refuge and our strength, A present help in our distress.
We will not therefore be afraid Tho' all the earth should be removed,
Tho' mountains great be hurled into the ocean's depths,
Tho' seas may roar and foam and billows shake the shore,
Tho' mountains tremble at their power.

A river brings refreshing streams to cheer the city of our God,
The Most High's holy dwelling place. God is in her; she won't be moved;
at dawn will God help her. The heathen rage; realms quake;
He lifts His voice; earth melts. The LORD of hosts with us!
Our fortress strong is Jacob's God.

O come, see what the LORD has done: He desolations brought on earth;
On earth He puts an end to wars, Breaks bow and spear, and char-iots burns.
Be still! Know I am God. Exalted o'er all men,
Exalted o'er all earth. The LORD of hosts with us!
Our fortress strong is Jacob's God.

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

Valley of Vision

All: O God of grace, Thou hast imputed my sin to my substitute, and hast imputed His righteousness to my soul. But in my Christian walk I am still in rags; my best prayers are stained with sin; my confessions of wrong are so many aggravations of sin; my receiving the Spirit is tainted with selfishness. I need to repent of my repentance. I need my tears to be washed. I have no robe to bring to cover my sins, no loom to weave my own righteousness. I am often going into the far country, and returning home as a prodigal, saying, Father, forgive me, and Thou art always bringing forth the best robe. Grant me never to lose sight of the exceeding sinfulness of sin, the exceeding righteousness of salvation, the exceeding glory of Christ, the exceeding beauty of holiness, and the exceeding wonder of grace. Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

John 10:27-28

Leader: Hear the good news! "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. "And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand."

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

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

Psalm 126

TUNE: OLIVET 664.66.64

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

When Zion's exile band the LORD brought back, we were as those who dream.
For then our mouth was filled with laughter and delight;
Our tongue then overflowed with shouts of joy.

Among the nations all they said, "The LORD has done great things for them!"
The LORD has done for us great things, and we are glad.
Restore our fortunes, LORD, like desert streams.

For those who sow in tears shall reap at harvest time with shouts of joy.
The one who weeping goes, bearing his precious seed,
shall singing come again, bearing his sheaves.

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 4:1-8

Leader: Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness! You have relieved me in my distress; Have mercy on me, and hear my prayer.

All: How long, O you sons of men, Will you turn my glory to shame? How long will you love worthlessness And seek falsehood? Selah

Leader: But know that the LORD has set apart for Himself him who is godly; The LORD will hear when I call to Him.

All: Be angry, and do not sin. Meditate within your heart on your bed, and be still. Selah

Leader: Offer the sacrifices of righteousness, And put your trust in the LORD.

All: There are many who say, "Who will show us any good?" LORD, lift up the light of Your countenance upon us.

Leader: You have put gladness in my heart, More than in the season that their grain and wine increased. – cont.

All: I will both lie down in peace, and sleep; For You alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Numbers 4:1-28

Then the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying: ²Take a census of the sons of Kohath from among the children of Levi, by their families, by their fathers' house, ³from thirty years old and above, even to fifty years old, all who enter the service to do the work in the tabernacle of meeting. ⁴This is the service of the sons of Kohath in the tabernacle of meeting, relating to the most holy things: ⁵When the camp prepares to journey, Aaron and his sons shall come, and they shall take down the covering veil and cover the ark of the Testimony with it. ⁶Then they shall put on it a covering of badger skins, and spread over that a cloth entirely of blue; and they shall insert its poles. ⁷On the table of showbread they shall spread a blue cloth, and put on it the dishes, the pans, the bowls, and the pitchers for pouring; and the showbread shall be on it. ⁸They shall spread over them a scarlet cloth, and cover the same with a covering of badger skins; and they shall insert its poles. ⁹And they shall take a blue cloth and cover the lampstand of the light, with its lamps, its wick-trimmers, its trays, and all its oil vessels, with which they service it. ¹⁰Then they shall put it with all its utensils in a covering of badger skins, and put it on a carrying beam. ¹¹Over the golden altar they shall spread a blue cloth, and cover it with a covering of badger skins; and they shall insert its poles. ¹²Then they shall take all the utensils of service with which they minister in the sanctuary, put them in a blue cloth, cover them with a covering of badger skins, and put them on a carrying beam. ¹³Also they shall take away the ashes from the altar, and spread a purple cloth over it. ¹⁴They shall put on it all its implements with which they minister there -- the firepans, the forks, the shovels, the basins, and all the utensils of the altar -- and they shall spread on it a covering of badger skins, and insert its poles. ¹⁵And when Aaron and his sons have finished covering the sanctuary and all the furnishings of the sanctuary, when the camp is set to go, then the sons of Kohath shall come to carry them; but they shall not touch any holy thing, lest they die. These are the things in the tabernacle of meeting which the sons of Kohath are to carry. ¹⁶The appointed duty of Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest is the oil for the light, the sweet incense, the daily grain offering, the anointing oil, the oversight of all the tabernacle, of all that is in it, with the sanctuary and its furnishings." ¹⁷Then the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying: ¹⁸Do not cut off the tribe of the families of the Kohathites from among the Levites; ¹⁹but do this in regard to them, that they may live and not die when they approach the most holy things: Aaron and his sons shall go in and appoint each of them to his service and his task. ²⁰But they shall not go in to watch while the holy things are being covered, lest they die." ²¹Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying: ²²Also take a census of the sons of Gershon, by their fathers' house, by their families. ²³From thirty years old and above, even to fifty years old, you shall number them, all who enter to perform the service, to do the work in the tabernacle of meeting. ²⁴This is the service of the families of the Gershonites, in serving and carrying: ²⁵They shall carry the curtains of the tabernacle and the tabernacle of meeting with its covering, the covering of badger skins that is on it, the screen for the door of the tabernacle of meeting, ²⁶the screen for the door of the gate of the court, the hangings of the court which are around the tabernacle and altar, and their cords, all the furnishings for

their service and all that is made for these things: so shall they serve. ²⁷ Aaron and his sons shall assign all the service of the sons of the Gershonites, all their tasks and all their service. And you shall appoint to them all their tasks as their duty. ²⁸ This is the service of the families of the sons of Gershon in the tabernacle of meeting. And their duties shall be under the authority of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Corinthians 14:1-19

Pursue love, and desire spiritual *gifts*, but especially that you may prophesy. ² For he who speaks in a tongue does not speak to men but to God, for no one understands *him*; however, in the spirit he speaks mysteries. ³ But he who prophesies speaks edification and exhortation and comfort to men. ⁴ He who speaks in a tongue edifies himself, but he who prophesies edifies the church. ⁵ I wish you all spoke with tongues, but even more that you prophesied; for he who prophesies *is* greater than he who speaks with tongues, unless indeed he interprets, that the church may receive edification. ⁶ But now, brethren, if I come to you speaking with tongues, what shall I profit you unless I speak to you either by revelation, by knowledge, by prophesying, or by teaching? ⁷ Even things without life, whether flute or harp, when they make a sound, unless they make a distinction in the sounds, how will it be known what is piped or played? ⁸ For if the trumpet makes an uncertain sound, who will prepare himself for battle? ⁹ So likewise you, unless you utter by the tongue words easy to understand, how will it be known what is spoken? For you will be speaking into the air. ¹⁰ There are, it may be, so many kinds of languages in the world, and none of them *is* without significance. ¹¹ Therefore, if I do not know the meaning of the language, I shall be a foreigner to him who speaks, and he who speaks *will be* a foreigner to me. ¹² Even so you, since you are zealous for spiritual *gifts*, *let it be* for the edification of the church *that* you seek to excel. ¹³ Therefore let him who speaks in a tongue pray that he may interpret. ¹⁴ For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays, but my understanding is unfruitful. ¹⁵ What *is the conclusion* then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will also pray with the understanding. I will sing with the spirit, and I will also sing with the understanding. ¹⁶ Otherwise, if you bless with the spirit, how will he who occupies the place of the uninformed say “Amen” at your giving of thanks, since he does not understand what you say? ¹⁷ For you indeed give thanks well, but the other is not edified. ¹⁸ I thank my God I speak with tongues more than you all; ¹⁹ yet in the church I would rather speak five words with my understanding, that I may teach others also, than ten thousand words in a tongue.

Hymn of Preparation*

TUNE: DUKE STREET L.M.

“Jesus Shall Reign”

Isaac Watt, 1719

G D A⁷ D G C#dim D A E⁷ A D

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
 thron - e with 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 - or - s to our King; an - gels de - scend with songs a -

A G D G C#dim D Em⁷ D Em D A⁷ D

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 16:25-33

"Much Needed Information"

Pastor Marc Miller

- 25 “These things I have spoken to you in figurative language; but the time is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figurative language, but I will tell you plainly about the Father.
- 26 “In that day you will ask in My name, and I do not say to you that I shall pray the Father for you;
- 27 “for the Father Himself loves you, because you have loved Me, and have believed that I came forth from God.
- 28 “I came forth from the Father and have come into the world. Again, I leave the world and go to the Father.”
- 29 His disciples said to Him, “See, now You are speaking plainly, and using no figure of speech!
- 30 “Now we are sure that You know all things, and have no need that anyone should question You. By this we believe that You came forth from God.”
- 31 Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe?”
- 32 “Indeed the hour is coming, yes, has now come, that you will be scattered, each to his own, and will leave Me alone. And yet I am not alone, because the Father is with Me.
- 33 “These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.”

Sermon Notes:

- Point 1

- Point 2

- Point 3

*Hymn of Response**

TUNE: VILLE DU HAVRE 11.8.11.9.ref.

"It Is Well with My Soul"

Horatio G. Spafford, 1873

1. When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way, when sor - rows like
 2. Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let this blest as -
 3. My sin—O the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought!—my sin, not in
 4. O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled

sea bil - lows roll; what - ev - er my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
 sur - ance con - trol, that Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es - tate,
 part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more;
 back as a scroll, the trump shall re - sound and the Lord shall de - scend,

REFRAIN

“It is well, it is well with my soul.”
 and has shed his own blood for my soul. It is well
 praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! It is well
 “E - ven so”— it is well with my soul.

with my soul;
 with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

BENEDICTION*

* --Please stand if able
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Prayer Requests

- This week's WEPCA Missionaries: The Garret 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

**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

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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