



WEST ERIE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

*“This is the genealogy of Terah:
Terah begot Abram, Nahor, and Haran.
Haran begot Lot.” --Genesis 11:27*

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THE LORD’S WORSHIP SERVICE
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements & Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 18:1-2

Leader: I will love You, O LORD, my strength.

All: The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; My God, my strength, in whom I will trust; My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

*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: HENDON 77.77.

“Psalm 113”

“Take My Life and Let It Be”

1. Praise Je - ho - vah; praise the LORD; Ye His ser - vants,
2. From the dawn to sett - ing sun Praise the LORD, the
3. Who is like the LORD our God? High in heav'n is
4. He the low - ly makes to rise From the dust in
5. He the child - less wo - man takes and a joy - ful

4
praise a - ccord; Bless - ed be Je - ho - vah's name;_
Might - y One. O'er all na - tions He is high;_
His a - bode, Who Him - self doth hum - ble low_
which he lies, That ex - alt - ed he may stand_
7 moth - er makes; Keep - ing house she finds re - ward._

Ev - er - more - His praise pro - claim. ____
 Yea, His glo - ry crowns the sky. ____
 Things in heav'n and earth to know. ____
 With the prin - ces of the land. ____
 Praise Je - ho - vah; praise the LORD. ____

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 Yea, His glo - ry ____ crowns the sky. ____
 Things in heav'n and ____ earth to know. ____
 With the prin - ces ____ of the land. ____
 Praise Je - ho - vah; ____ praise the LORD. ____

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

Psalm 5:1-5, 7

All: *"Give ear to my words, O LORD, Consider my meditation. Give heed to the voice of my cry, My King and my God, For to You I will pray. My voice You shall hear in the morning, O LORD; In the morning I will direct it to You, And I will look up. For You are not a God who takes pleasure in wickedness, Nor shall evil dwell with You. The boastful shall not stand in Your sight; You hate all workers of iniquity. But as for me, I will come into Your house in the multitude of Your mercy; In fear of You I will worship toward Your holy temple." Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.*

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Romans 6:22-23

Leader: Hear the good news! "But now having been set free from sin, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life. ²³For the wages of sin *is* death, but the gift of God *is* eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Psalm 14

TUNE: MUNICH 76.76.D.

"O Word of God Incarnate"

The fool in heart is saying, "There surely is no God."
Corrupt and vile their deeds are; Not one of them does good.
The LORD looks down from heaven On sons of men abroad
To see which one has wisdom, If any seeks for God.

All far astray have wandered; They all to vileness run.
Not one of them is righteous, No, not a single one.
Have they of truth no knowledge, These evilworkers all,
Who eat like bread my people And on GOD do not call?

There shall they be in terror For God is with the just;
You would confound one struggling; Jehovah is his trust.
Salvation out of Zion Who will to Isr'el bring?
The LORD brings back His captives. Joy, Jacob! Isr'el, sing

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 115:1-11

Leader: Not unto us, O LORD, not unto us, But to Your name give glory, Because of Your mercy, Because of Your truth.

All: *Why should the Gentiles say, "So where is their God?" But our God is in heaven; He does whatever He pleases.*

Leader: Their idols are silver and gold, The work of men's hands.

All: *They have mouths, but they do not speak; Eyes they have, but they do not see;*

Leader: They have ears, but they do not hear; Noses they have, but they do not smell;

All: *They have hands, but they do not handle; Feet they have, but they do not walk; Nor do they mutter through their throat.*

Leader: Those who make them are like them; So is everyone who trusts in them.

All: *O Israel, trust in the LORD; He is their help and their shield.*

Leader: O house of Aaron, trust in the LORD; He is their help and their shield.

All: *You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD; He is their help and their shield.*

GOSPEL READING

Luke 6:1-19

Now it happened on the second Sabbath after the first that He went through the grainfields. And His disciples plucked the heads of grain and ate them, rubbing them in their hands. ²And some of the Pharisees said to them, "Why are you doing what is not lawful to do on the Sabbath?" ³But Jesus answering them said, "Have you not even read this, what David did when he was hungry, he and those who were with him: ⁴"how he went into the house of God, took and ate the showbread, and also gave some to those with him, which is not lawful for any but the priests to eat?" ⁵And He said to them, "The Son of Man is also Lord of the Sabbath." ⁶Now it happened on another Sabbath, also, that He entered the synagogue and taught. And a man was there whose right hand was withered. ⁷So the scribes and Pharisees watched Him closely, whether He would heal on the Sabbath, that they might find an accusation against Him. ⁸But He knew their thoughts, and said to the man who had the withered hand, "Arise and stand here." And he arose and stood. ⁹Then Jesus said to them, "I will ask you one thing: Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do evil, to save life or to destroy?" ¹⁰And when He had looked around at them all, He said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." And he did so, and his hand was restored as whole as the other. ¹¹But they were filled with rage, and discussed with one another what they might do to Jesus. ¹²Now it came to pass in those days that He went out to the mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God. ¹³And when it was day, He called His disciples to Himself; and from them He chose twelve whom He also named apostles: ¹⁴Simon, whom He also named Peter, and Andrew his brother; James and John; Philip and Bartholomew; ¹⁵Matthew and Thomas; James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon called the Zealot; ¹⁶Judas the son of James, and Judas Iscariot who also became a traitor. ¹⁷And He came down with them and stood on a level place with a crowd of His disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem, and from the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear Him and be healed of their diseases, ¹⁸as well as those who were tormented with unclean spirits. And they were healed. ¹⁹And the whole multitude sought to touch Him, for power went out from Him and healed them all.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Hebrews 11:17-40

By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises offered up his only begotten son, ¹⁸of whom it was said, "In Isaac your seed shall be called," ¹⁹concluding that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead, from which he also received him in a figurative sense. ²⁰By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come. ²¹By faith Jacob, when he was dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, and worshiped, leaning on the top of his staff. ²²By faith Joseph, when he was dying, made mention of the departure of the children of Israel, and gave instructions concerning his bones. ²³By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden three months by his parents, because they saw he was a beautiful child; and they were not afraid of the king's command. ²⁴By faith Moses, when he became of age, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, ²⁵choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin, ²⁶esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt; for he looked to the reward. ²⁷By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king; for he endured as seeing Him who is invisible. ²⁸By faith he kept the Passover and the sprinkling of blood, lest he who destroyed the firstborn should touch them. ²⁹By faith they passed through the Red Sea as by dry land, whereas the Egyptians, attempting to do so, were drowned. ³⁰By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they were encircled for seven days. ³¹By faith the harlot Rahab did not perish with those who did not believe, when she had received the spies with peace. ³²And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets: ³³who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, ³⁴quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. ³⁵Women received their dead raised to life again. And others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. ³⁷They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented -- ³⁸of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth. ³⁹And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, ⁴⁰God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us.

*Hymn of Preparation**

TUNE: REGENT SQUARE 8.7.8.7.8.7.

"God, the Lord, a King Remaineth"

From Psalm 93, John Keble, 1839.



1. God, the Lord, a King re-main-eth, robed in his own glo-ri-ous light;
2. In her ev-er-last-ing sta-tion earth is poised, to swerve no more:
3. Lord, the wa-ter-floods have lift-ed, o-cean floods have lift their roar;
4. With all tones of wa-ters blend-ing, glo-ri-ous is the break-ing deep;
5. Lord, the words thy lips are tell-ing are the per-fect ver-i-ty:

(A) (F#m) (C#m) (F#m) (C#m) (F#m) (E) (B7) (E)

God hath robed him and he reign - eth; he hath gird - ed him with might.
 thou hast laid thy throne's foun - da - tion from all time where thought can soar.
 • now they pause where they have drift - ed, now they burst up - on the shore.
 glo - rious, beau - teous with - out end - ing, God who reigns on heav'ns high steep.
 of thine high e - ter - nal dwell - ing ho - li - ness shall in - mate be.

(E) (A7) (D) (Bm) (C#m) (Bm) (F#m) (E) (A) 7

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! God is King in depth and height.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, thou art for - ev - er - more.
 • Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! For the o - cean's sound - ing store.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Songs of o - cean nev - er sleep.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Pure is all that lives with thee.

SERMON

Genesis 11:10-32

"After Darkness, Light"

Pastor Marc Miller

- 10 This is the genealogy of Shem: Shem was one hundred years old, and begot Arphaxad two years after the flood.
- 11 After he begot Arphaxad, Shem lived five hundred years, and begot sons and daughters.
- 12 Arphaxad lived thirty-five years, and begot Salah.
- 13 After he begot Salah, Arphaxad lived four hundred and three years, and begot sons and daughters.
- 14 Salah lived thirty years, and begot Eber.
- 15 After he begot Eber, Salah lived four hundred and three years, and begot sons and daughters.
- 16 Eber lived thirty-four years, and begot Peleg.
- 17 After he begot Peleg, Eber lived four hundred and thirty years, and begot sons and daughters.
- 18 Peleg lived thirty years, and begot Reu.

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*Hymn of Response**

TUNE: FAITHFULLNESS 11.10.11.10.ref.

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Thomas O. Chisholm, 1923

1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no
 2. Sum - mer and win - ter and spring-time and har - vest, sun, moon, and
 3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear

shad - ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est not, thy com -
 stars in their cours - es a - bove, join with all na - ture in
 pres - ence to cheer and to guide, strength for to - day and bright

pas - sions, they fail not; as thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 man - i - fold wit - ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 hope for to - mor - row, bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

REFRAIN

Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by

morn-ing new mer-cies I see: all I have need-ed thy hand hath pro-

vid-ed— Great is thy faith-ful-ness, Lord, un-to me!

BENEDICTION*

* --Please stand if able
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Prayer Requests

- This week's WEPCA Missionaries: The Williams Family
- Pray for country's leaders
- Pray for our covenant children
- Pray for our Elders and Deacons.
- Pray for our Sunday School teachers and students

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, February 5, at 8 a.m. We will be working through the book of Philippians using Sinclair Ferguson's "Let's Study Philippians" book. Please read chapters 11 and 12.
- 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, January 10, 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.
- We will be having a Family Movie night on Friday, February 4, starting at 6:30 p.m. at the church. We will be watching the Veggie Tales movie "The Pirates who Don't Do Anything". Drinks and snacks will be provided. All are encouraged to attend.

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).

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