

WEST ERIE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

“Then Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was the priest of God Most High. “ -Genesis 14:18

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THE LORD'S WORSHIP SERVICE
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements & Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 149:1-2

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.*

*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**

Words and Music by Keith Getty & Stuart Townend

“Across the Lands”

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1. You're the Word of God the Fa - ther, _ from be - fore the world be - gan; _ Ev - ry star and ev - ry
(2. Yet You) left the gaze of an - gels, _ came to seek and save the lost, _ and ex - changed the joy of
(3. With a) shout You rose vic - to - rious, _ wrest - ing vic - t'ry from the grave, _ and as - cend - ed in - to

6 E \flat /G Fm A \flat E \flat A \flat E \flat

pla - net _ has been fash - ioned by Your hand. All cre - a - tion holds to - geth - er _ by the pow - er of Your
heav - en _ for the an - guish of a cross. With a prayer You fed the hung - ry, _ with a word You stilled the
heav - en _ lead - ing cap - tives in Your wake. Now You stand be - fore the Fa - ther _ in - ter - ced - ing for Your

12 B \flat A \flat A \flat ⁶ E \flat /G Fm A \flat B \flat ^{sus} **CHORUS** A \flat

voice: _ Let the skies de - clare Your glo - ry, _ let the land and seas re - joice! You're the au - thor of cre -
sea. _ Yet how si - lent - ly You suf - fered _ that the guilt - y may go free.
own. _ From each tribe and tongue and na - tion _ You are lead - ing sin - ners home.

18 E \flat E \flat /G A \flat B \flat ² Cm Cm/B \flat A \flat A \flat /B \flat

-a - tion, _ You're the Lord of ev - 'ry man; _ And Your cry of love rings

22

1, 2. Cm7 Bb Eb

3. Cm7 Bb Eb

out a - cross the lands. — 2. Yet You out a - cross the lands. — 3. With a

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

Psalms 141:1-5

All: *"LORD, I cry out to You; Make haste to me! Give ear to my voice when I cry out to You. Let my prayer be set before You as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. Set a guard, O LORD, over my mouth; Keep watch over the door of my lips. Do not incline my heart to any evil thing, to practice wicked works with men who work iniquity; and do not let me eat of their delicacies. Let the righteous strike me; It shall be a kindness. And let him rebuke me; It shall be as excellent oil; let my head not refuse it. For still my prayer is against the deeds of the wicked." Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.*

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Ephesians 2:8-9

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

Psalm 51:1-11

TUNE: REDHEAD

"Gracious Spirit Dwell With Me"

1. God, be mer - ci - ful to me; On Thy grace I rest my plea;
 2. For my sins be - fore me rise, Ev - er pres - ent to my eyes.
 3. Lo, brought forth was I in sin; When con - ceived I was un - clean.
 4. Then with hys - sop sprin - kle me, And from sin I clean shall be.
 5. From my sins hide Thou Thy face; My in - i - qui - ties e - rase.

4
 In Thy vast, a - bound - ing grace, My trans - gres - sions all e - rase.
 I have sinn'd 'gainst Thee a - lone, In Thy sight this e - vil done;
 Lo, Thou dost de - sire to find Truth sin - cere with - in the mind:
 Wash me from its stain, and lo, I shall whit - er be than snow.
 O my God, re - new my heart, And a spir - it right im - part.

8
 Wash me whol - ly from my sin; Cleanse from ev - ery ill with - in.
 That Thy judg - ment may be clear, And Thy sent - ence just ap - pear.
 And Thou wilt with - in my heart Wis - dom un - to me im - part.
 Make me hear joy's cheer - ing voice; Make my bro - ken bones re - joice.
 Cast me not a - way from Thee, Nor Thy Spir - it take from me.

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 110:1-7

Leader: The LORD said to my Lord, "Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool."

All: *The LORD shall send the rod of Your strength out of Zion. Rule in the midst of Your enemies!*

Leader: Your people shall be volunteers In the day of Your power; In the beauties of holiness, from the womb of the morning, You have the dew of Your youth.

All: *The LORD has sworn And will not relent, "You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek."*

Leader: The Lord is at Your right hand; He shall execute kings in the day of His wrath.

All: *He shall judge among the nations, He shall fill the places with dead bodies, He shall execute the heads of many countries.*

Leader: He shall drink of the brook by the wayside; Therefore He shall lift up the head.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 8:26-39

Then they sailed to the country of the Gadarenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷And when He stepped out on the land, there met Him a certain man from the city who had demons for a long time. And he wore no clothes, nor did he live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸When he saw Jesus, he cried out, fell down before Him, and with a loud voice said, "What have I to do with You, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg You, do not torment me!" ²⁹For He had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For it had often seized him, and he was kept under guard, bound with chains and shackles; and he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the wilderness. ³⁰Jesus asked him, saying, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," because many demons had entered him. ³¹And they begged Him that He would not command them to go out into the abyss. ³²Now a herd of many swine was feeding there on the mountain. So they begged Him that He would permit them to enter them. And He permitted them. ³³Then the demons went out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd ran violently down the steep place into the lake and drowned. ³⁴When those who fed them saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵Then they went out to see what had happened, and came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. ³⁶They also who had seen it told them by what means he who had been demon-possessed was healed. ³⁷Then the whole multitude of the surrounding region of the Gadarenes asked Him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. And He got into the boat and returned. ³⁸Now the man from whom the demons had departed begged Him that he might be with Him. But Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹"Return to your own house, and tell what great things God has done for you." And he went his way and proclaimed throughout the whole city what great things Jesus had done for him.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

James :1-20

Come now, *you* rich, weep and howl for your miseries that are coming upon *you*! ²Your riches are corrupted, and your garments are moth-eaten. ³Your gold and silver are corroded, and their corrosion will be a witness against you and will eat your flesh like fire. You have heaped up treasure in the last days. ⁴Indeed the wages of the laborers who mowed your fields, which you kept back by fraud, cry out; and the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of Sabaoth. ⁵You have lived on the earth in pleasure and luxury; you have fattened your hearts as in a day of slaughter. ⁶You have condemned, you have murdered the just; he does not resist you. ⁷Therefore be patient, brethren, until the coming of the Lord. See *how* the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, waiting patiently for it until it receives the early and latter rain. ⁸You also be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand. ⁹Do not grumble against one another, brethren, lest you be condemned. Behold, the Judge is standing at the door! ¹⁰My brethren, take the prophets, who spoke in the name of the Lord, as an example of suffering and patience. ¹¹Indeed we count them blessed who endure. You have heard of the perseverance of Job and seen the end *intended by* the Lord -- that the Lord is very compassionate and merciful. ¹²But above all, my brethren, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or with any other oath. But let your "Yes," be "Yes," and *your* "No," "No," lest you fall into judgment. ¹³Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing psalms. ¹⁴Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. ¹⁶Confess *your* trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much. ¹⁷Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain; and it did not rain on the land for three years and six months. ¹⁸And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth produced its fruit. ¹⁹Brethren, if anyone among you wanders from the truth, and someone turns him back, ²⁰let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save a soul from death and cover a multitude of sins.

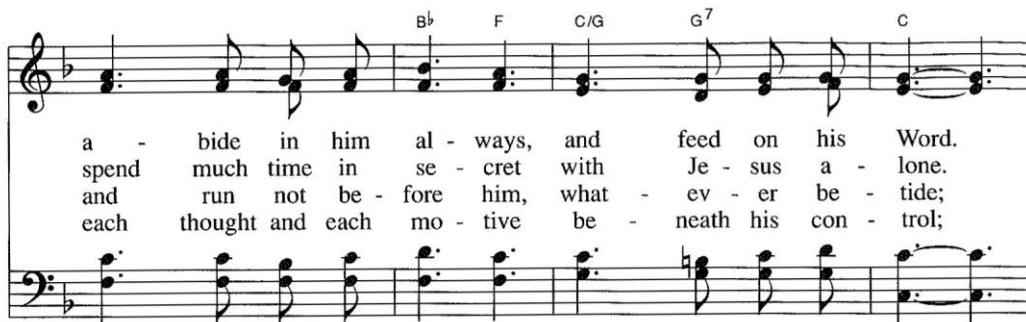
*Hymn of Preparation**

TUNE: HOLINESS 6.5.6.5.D.

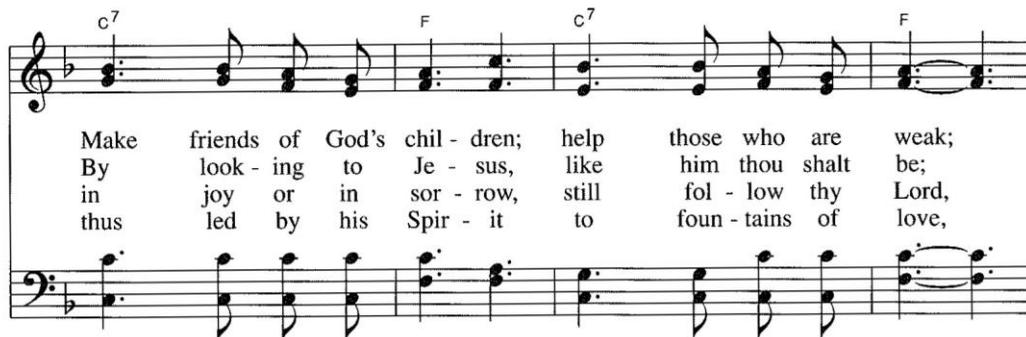
"Take Time to Be Holy"

Walter D. Longstaff, 1887

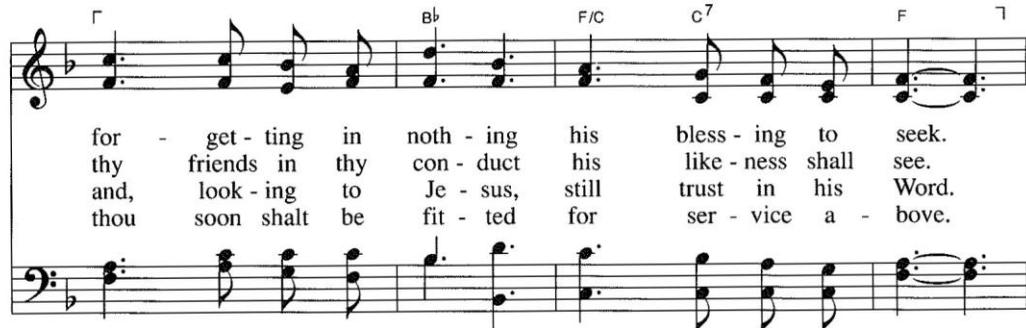
The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Take Time to Be Holy". It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff at the top and a bass clef staff at the bottom. The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 6/8. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, with four different verses numbered 1 through 4. The lyrics are: 1. Take time to be ho - ly, speak oft with thy Lord; 2. Take time to be ho - ly, the world rush - es on; 3. Take time to be ho - ly, let him be thy guide, 4. Take time to be ho - ly, be calm in thy soul;



a - bide in him al - ways, and feed on his Word.
 spend much time in se - cret with Je - sus a - lone.
 and run not be - fore him, what - ev - er be - tide;
 each thought and each mo - tive be - neath his con - trol;



Make friends of God's chil - dren; help those who are weak;
 By look - ing to Je - sus, like him thou shalt be;
 in joy or in sor - row, still fol - low thy Lord,
 thus led by his Spir - it to foun - tains of love,



for - get - ting in noth - ing his bless - ing to seek.
 thy friends in thy con - duct his like - ness shall see.
 and, look - ing to Je - sus, still trust in his Word.
 thou soon shalt be fit - ted for ser - vice a - bove.

SERMON

Genesis 14:18-24

"Melchizedek"

Pastor Marc Miller

- 18 Then Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was the priest of God Most High.
- 19 And he blessed him and said: "Blessed be Abram of God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth;
- 20 And blessed be God Most High, Who has delivered your enemies into your hand." And he gave him a tithe of all.

- ²¹ Now the king of Sodom said to Abram, "Give me the persons, and take the goods for yourself."
- ²² But Abram said to the king of Sodom, "I have raised my hand to the LORD, God Most High, the Possessor of heaven and earth,
- ²³ "that I will take nothing, from a thread to a sandal strap, and that I will not take anything that is yours, lest you should say, 'I have made Abram rich' --
- ²⁴ "except only what the young men have eaten, and the portion of the men who went with me: Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre; let them take their portion."

Sermon Notes

- Point 1

- Point 2

- Point 3

*Hymn of Response**

TUNE: LENOX 6.6.6.6.8.8.8.

"Arise, My Soul, Arise"

Charles Wesley, 1742

1. A - rise, my soul, a - rise, shake off your guilt - y fears;
 2. He ev - er lives a - bove, for me to in - ter - cede,
 3. Five bleed - ing wounds he bears, re - ceived on Cal - va - ry;
 4. My God is rec - on - ciled; his par - d'ning voice I hear;

the bleed - ing Sac - ri - fice in my be - half ap - pears:
 his all - re - deem - ing love, his pre - cious blood to plead;
 they pour ef - fec - tual prayers, they strong - ly plead for me.
 he owns me for his child, I can no lon - ger fear;

be - fore the throne my Sure - ty stands, be - fore the throne my
 his blood a - toned for ev - 'ry race, his blood a - toned for
 "For - give him, O for - give," they cry, "for - give him, O for -
 with con - fi - dence I now draw nigh, with con - fi - dence I

Sure - ty stands, my name is writ - ten on his hands.
 ev - 'ry race, and sprin - kles now the throne of grace.
 give," they cry, "nor let that ran - somed sin - ner die!"
 now draw nigh, and "Fa - ther, Ab - ba, Fa - ther!" cry.

BENEDICTION*

* --Please stand if able
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Prayer Requests

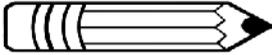
- This week's WEPCA Missionaries: The Williams Family
- Pray for country's leaders
- Pray for our covenant children
- Pray for our Elders and Deacons.
- Pray for our Sunday School teachers and students
- Pray for the peace and purity of our denomination.

Announcements

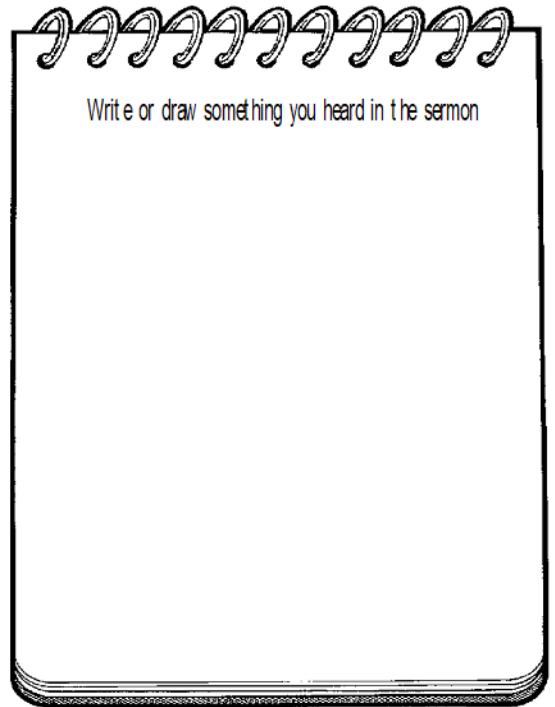
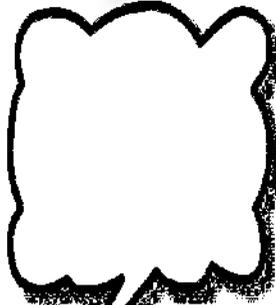
- The Session is wanting to see if there is any interest in a communicant/inquirer's class concerning church membership. The class will run for Seven weeks and the materials are provided. The class will be held on Sunday Evenings at the church from 4-5:30pm. The start date will be Sunday March 13th.. There is a sing-up sheet on the back bulletin board. If you have any questions please talk to Pastor Miller.
- 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, March 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 13 and 14.
- 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, March 7, 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 celebrating the Lord's supper next week. Please take some time this week to prepare your hearts through prayer and the reading of Scripture.

Sermon Notes FOR KIDS

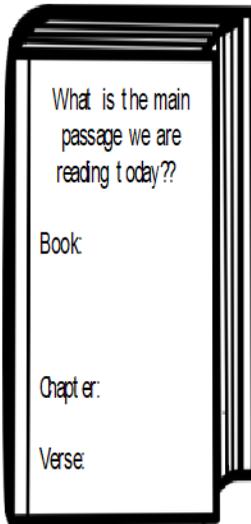
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As you attend church services with your family, use this sheet to help you pay attention and learn. We want you to worship with us by singing to God and listening to the message.



Write or draw something you heard in the sermon



What is the main passage we are reading today??

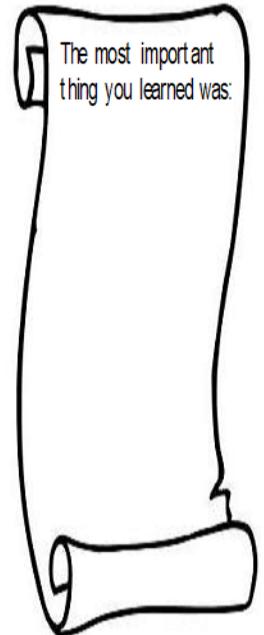
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Verse:



Questions?



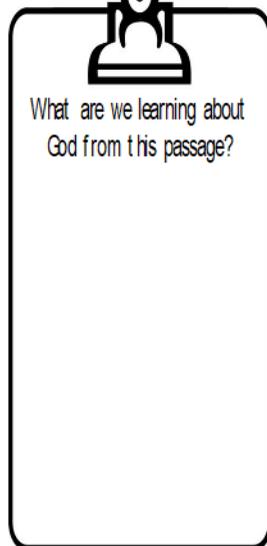
The most important thing you learned was:



How does today's message apply to your life?



Favorite song today was:



What are we learning about God from this passage?

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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