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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

*But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed.
You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was
crucified. He is risen! He is not here..." --
Mark 16:6a*

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements & Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Adapted from 1 Corinthians 15

Leader: He is risen!

All: He is risen, indeed!

Leader: "Death is swallowed up in victory."

All: "O Death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?"

Leader: The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law.

All: But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

*Gloria Patri**

GLORIA PATRI (GREATOREX)

Irreg. H.W. Greatorex, 1851

"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**

TUNE: EASTER HYMN 7.7.7.7.al.

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

Charles Wesley, 1739

1. "Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day," Al - - le - lu - ia!
2. Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Al - - le - lu - ia!
3. Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; Al - - le - lu - ia!
4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - - le - lu - ia!

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" in 4/4 time. It features a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a bass clef staff. 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 verses. The first verse is: "1. 'Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day,' Al - - le - lu - ia!". The second verse is: "2. Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Al - - le - lu - ia!". The third verse is: "3. Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; Al - - le - lu - ia!". The fourth verse is: "4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - - le - lu - ia!".

sons of men and an - gels say; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 Christ has burst the gates of hell: Al - - le - lu - ia!
 where, O death, is now thy sting? Al - - le - lu - ia!
 fol - l'wing our ex - alt - ed Head; Al - - le - lu - ia!

raise your joys and tri - umphs high; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 death in vain for - bids his rise; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 Once he died, our souls to save; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 made like him, like him we rise; Al - - le - lu - ia!

sing ye heav'ns, and earth, re - ply. Al - - le - lu - ia!
 Christ has o - pened par - a - dise. Al - - le - lu - ia!
 where thy vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - - le - lu - ia!
 ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Al - - le - lu - ia!

5. Hail, the Lord of earth and heav'n! *Alleluia!*
 Praise to thee by both be giv'n; *Alleluia!*
 thee we greet triumphant now; *Alleluia!*
 hail, the Resurrection, thou! *Alleluia!*

CONFESSON 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 130:1-8

All: "Out of the depths I have cried to You, O LORD; Lord, hear my voice! Let Your ears be attentive To the voice of my supplications. If You, LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with You, That You may be feared. I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, And in His word I do hope. My soul waits for the Lord More than those who watch for the morning -- Yes, more than those who watch for the morning. O Israel, hope in the LORD; For with the LORD there is mercy, And with Him is abundant redemption. And He shall redeem Israel From all his iniquities." Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Isaiah 53:5-6

Leader: Hear the good news! "But He *was* wounded for our transgressions, He *was* bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace *was* upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; We have turned, every one, to his own way; And the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all."

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Psalm 16

TUNE: LEOMINSTER SMD.

"Not What My Hands Have Done"

Preserve me, O my God; I put my trust in You.
LORD, I confess, You are my Lord; No good have I but You.
The godly ones on earth, Those holy in Your sight,
The noble and majestic ones, Fill me with great delight.

Their sorrows multiply Who after idols seek.
To them I'll no blood off rings make; Their names I'll never speak.
The LORD the portion is Of my inheritance.
He fills my cup, my lot prepares, Secures to me His grants.

The lines that fell to me Enclose a pleasant site.
The heritage that I received To me is a delight.
I bless the LORD Who guides With counsel that is right.
My heart within me He directs To teach me in the night.

I always keep the LORD Before me, Him to see.
Because He is at my right hand I never moved shall be.
Thus gladness fills my soul; My joy must be expressed
With my whole being, for my flesh Securely finds its rest.

My soul You will not leave In death's dark pit to be.
Corruption You will not permit Your Holy One to see.
The path of life You'll show; Of joy You hold great store.
Before Your face, at Your right hand, Are pleasures evermore.

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 17:1-8, 15

Leader: Hear a just cause, O LORD, Attend to my cry; Give ear to my prayer *which is not from deceitful lips.*

All: Let my vindication come from Your presence; Let Your eyes look on the things that are upright.

Leader: You have tested my heart; You have visited *me* in the night; You have tried me and have found nothing; I have purposed that my mouth shall not transgress.

All: Concerning the works of men, By the word of Your lips, I have kept away from the paths of the destroyer.

Leader: Uphold my steps in Your paths, *That* my footsteps may not slip.

All: I have called upon You, for You will hear me, O God; Incline Your ear to me, and hear my speech.

Leader: Show Your marvelous lovingkindness by Your right hand, O You who save those who trust *in You* From those who rise up *against them*.

All: Keep me as the apple of Your eye; Hide me under the shadow of Your wings,

Leader: As for me, I will see Your face in righteousness; I shall be satisfied when I awake in Your likeness.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Job 14:1-14

“Man who is born of woman Is of few days and full of trouble. ²He comes forth like a flower and fades away; He flees like a shadow and does not continue. ³And do You open Your eyes on such a one, And bring me to judgment with Yourself? ⁴Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? No one! ⁵Since his days are determined, The number of his months is with You; You have appointed his limits, so that he cannot pass. ⁶Look away from him that he may rest, Till like a hired man he finishes his day. ⁷“For there is hope for a tree, If it is cut down, that it will sprout again, And that its tender shoots will not cease. ⁸Though its root may grow old in the earth, And its stump may die in the ground, ⁹Yet at the scent of water it will bud And bring forth branches like a plant. ¹⁰But man dies and is laid away; Indeed he breathes his last And where is he? ¹¹As water disappears from the sea, And a river becomes parched and dries up, ¹²So man lies down and does not rise. Till the heavens are no more, They will not awake Nor be roused from their sleep. ¹³“ Oh, that You would hide me in the grave, That You would conceal me until Your wrath is past, That You would appoint me a set time, and remember me! ¹⁴If a man dies, shall he live again? All the days of my hard service I will wait, Till my change comes.

GOSPEL READING

John 1:1-18

Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene went to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. ²Then she ran and came to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken away the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid Him.” ³Peter therefore went out, and the other disciple, and were going to the tomb. ⁴So they both ran together, and the other disciple outran Peter and came to the tomb first. ⁵And he, stooping down and looking in, saw the linen cloths lying there; yet he did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb; and he saw the linen cloths lying there, ⁷and the handkerchief that had been around His head, not lying with the linen cloths, but folded together in a place by itself. ⁸Then the other disciple, who came to the tomb first, went in also; and he saw and believed. ⁹For as yet they did not know the Scripture, that He must rise again from the dead. ¹⁰Then the disciples went away again to their own homes. ¹¹But Mary stood outside by the tomb weeping, and as she wept she stooped down and looked into the tomb. ¹²And she saw two angels in white sitting, one at the head and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain. ¹³Then they said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “Because they have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid Him.” ¹⁴Now when she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, and

did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" She, supposing Him to be the gardener, said to Him, "Sir, if You have carried Him away, tell me where You have laid Him, and I will take Him away." ¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to Him, "Rabboni!" (which is to say, Teacher). ¹⁷Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to Me, for I have not yet ascended to My Father; but go to My brethren and say to them, 'I am ascending to My Father and your Father, and to My God and your God.'" ¹⁸Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that He had spoken these things to her.

Hymn of Preparation(next pg.)*

TUNE: REGENT SQUARE 8.7.8.7.8.7.

"Worship Christ, the Risen King!"

Jack W. Hayford, 1986

SERMON

Mark 16:1-8

"He Is Risen!"

Pastor Marc Miller

1. Now when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, that they might come and anoint Him.
2. Very early in the morning, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen.
3. And they said among themselves, "Who will roll away the stone from the door of the tomb for us?"
4. But when they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away -- for it was very large.
5. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man clothed in a long white robe sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed.
6. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him.
7. "But go, tell His disciples -- and Peter -- that He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, as He said to you."
8. So they went out quickly and fled from the tomb, for they trembled and were amazed. And they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Sermon Notes:

- Point 1

1. Rise, O church, and lift your voices, Christ has conquered death and hell.
 2. See the tomb where death had laid him, empty now, its mouth declares:
 3. Hear the earth protest and tremble, see the stone removed with power;
 4. Doubt may lift its head to murmur, scoffers mock and sinners jeer;
 5. We acclaim your life, O Jesus, now we sing your victory;

Sing as all the earth rejoices; resurrection anthems swell.
 "Death and I could not contain him, for the throne of life he shares."
 • all hell's minions may assemble, but cannot withstand his hour.
 but the truth proclaims a wonder thought-ful hearts receive with cheer.
 sin or hell may seek to seize us, but your conquest keeps us free.

Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the risen King!
 Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the risen King!
 • He has conquered, he has conquered, Christ the Lord, the risen King!
 He is risen, he is risen, now receive the risen King!
 Stand in triumph, stand in triumph, worship Christ, the risen King!

• Point 2

- Point 3

Hymn of Response (next pg.)*

TUNE: CHRIST AROSE 11.10.ref

“Up from the Grace He Arose”

Robert Lowry, 1874

BENEDICTION*

* --Please stand if able
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Prayer Requests

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

Announcements

- Prayer meetings continue: Wednesdays, 8:30 p.m. – ZOOM.
- Men’s Bible Study: Saturday, May 8, 8 a.m. – In person & ZOOM, “Let’s Study Philippians” chapters 17 – 18.
- Sunday School: Sundays, 10 a.m. – In person, 3 elementary aged classes, 1 adult class. The adults are studying the Westminster Shorter Catechism.
- Women’s Bible Study: Monday, April 18, 7:30 p.m. – In person & ZOOM, “Contentment” by Melissa Kruger (video series) & “Gentle and Lowly” by Dane Ortlund. Contact: Mary Moser (cuteviolin93@gmail.com).
- Spring Cleanup and mulch day: Saturday, April 30, 9:00 a.m.

1. Low in the grave he lay— Je - sus, my Sav - ior,
 2. Vain - ly they watch his bed— Je - sus, my Sav - ior;
 3. Death can - not keep his prey— Je - sus, my Sav - ior;

(D) (A) (F#m) (E/B) (B7) (E)
 wait - ing the com - ing day— Je - sus, my Lord.
 vain - ly they seal the dead— Je - sus, my Lord.
 he tore the bars a - way— Je - sus, my Lord.

REFRAIN
 (A) *Faster*

Up from the grave he a - rose, He a - rose!

(D) (A)
 with a might - y tri - umph o'er his foes. He a - rose!

Musical notation for the first system, including treble and bass staves. The treble staff has a key signature of one flat and a common time signature. Chords are indicated above the staff: (E), (E7), (F#m), (D), and (A). The lyrics are: He a - rose a vic - tor from the dark do - main, and he

Musical notation for the second system, including treble and bass staves. Chords are indicated above the staff: (D), (B), (E), (F#m), (E), and (A). The lyrics are: lives for - ev - er with his saints to reign. He a - rose!

Musical notation for the third system, including treble and bass staves. Chords are indicated above the staff: (D), (A/E), rit., (E7), and (A) 7. The lyrics are: He a - rose! Hal - le - lu - jah! Christ a - rose!

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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