



**WEST ERIE**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

*“Surely there is a reward for the righteous;  
Surely He is God who judges in the earth.”  
-Psalm 58:11b*

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THE LORD’S WORSHIP SERVICE  
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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Preparation for Worship

## CALL TO WORSHIP\*

*Psalm 117:1-2*

Leader: Praise the LORD, all you Gentiles! Laud Him, all you peoples!

*All: For His merciful kindness is great toward us, And the truth of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD!*

## *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\**

Keith & Kristyn Getty & Stuart Townend

## *“Come People of the Risen King”*

1. Come, peo - ple of the ri - sen King, who de - light to bring Him praise. Come  
2. Come those whose joy is morn - ing sun, and those weep - ing in the night. Come,  
3. Come young and old from ev - 'ry land, men and wo - men of the faith. Come,

6 all, and tune your hearts to sing to the Morn - ing Star of grace. From the  
those who tell of bat - tles won, and those strug - gling in the fight. For His  
those with full or emp - ty hands; find the rich - es of His grace. O - ver

10 shift - ing sha - dows of the earth we will lift our eyes to Him, where  
per - fect love will nev - er change, and His mer - cies nev - er cease, but  
all the world His peo - ple sing; shore to shore we hear them call the

14 C F G Am F C

stead - y arms of mer - cy reach to - ga - ther child - ren in.  
fol - low us through all our days with the cer - tain hope of peace.  
Truth that cries through ev - 'ry age: "Our - God is all in all."

REFRAIN

18 G F G F C

Re - joice! Re - joice! Let ev - 'ry tongue re - joice! One

23 G Am G F C/E Dm G C

heart, one voice; oh, Church of Christ re - joice.

## 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

**All:** *O Holy Father, we know Your will is the way of love, for You so loved the world that You sent Your only begotten Son. We are created and redeemed to love You and all men. Your law is the law of love. Sadly, we have been satisfied with lesser love and narrower affections than we ought. Often, we have ignored You. Often, we have*

*loved only our friends when our enemies need us. Forgive us for not greeting one another in love, for withholding the kind deed, for letting loose the word of anger, for harboring resentment, and for plotting revenge. Forgive us, and make us ready to forgive, through Jesus our Savior. Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.*

## SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Isaiah 55:6-7*

Leader: Hear the good news! "Seek the LORD while He may be found, Call upon Him while He is near. <sup>7</sup>Let the wicked forsake his way, And the unrighteous man his thoughts; Let him return to the LORD, And He will have mercy on him; And to our God, For He will abundantly pardon."

## WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

### *Psalm 51:1-11*

TUNE: REDHEAD 77.77.77.

"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.

<sup>4</sup>  
 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.

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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 92:1-15*

**Leader:** It is good to give thanks to the LORD, And to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;

**All:** *To declare Your lovingkindness in the morning, And Your faithfulness every night,*

**Leader:** On an instrument of ten strings, On the lute, And on the harp, With harmonious sound.

**All:** *For You, LORD, have made me glad through Your work; I will triumph in the works of Your hands.*

**Leader:** O LORD, how great are Your works! Your thoughts are very deep.

**All:** *A senseless man does not know, Nor does a fool understand this.*

**Leader:** When the wicked spring up like grass, And when all the workers of iniquity flourish, It is that they may be destroyed forever.

**All:** *But You, LORD, are on high forevermore.*

**Leader:** For behold, Your enemies, O LORD, For behold, Your enemies shall perish; All the workers of iniquity shall be scattered.

**All:** *But my horn You have exalted like a wild ox; I have been anointed with fresh oil.*

**Leader:** My eye also has seen my desire on my enemies; My ears hear my desire on the wicked Who rise up against me.

**All:** *The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, He shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon.*

Leader: Those who are planted in the house of the LORD Shall flourish in the courts of our God.

**All:** *They shall still bear fruit in old age; They shall be fresh and flourishing,*

Leader: To declare that the LORD is upright; He is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in Him.

## GOSPEL READING

*Mark 12:1-27*

<sup>1</sup>Then He began to speak to them in parables: "A man planted a vineyard and set a hedge around *it*, dug a *place* for the wine vat and built a tower. And he leased it to vinedressers and went into a far country. <sup>2</sup>"Now at vintage-time he sent a servant to the vinedressers, that he might receive some of the fruit of the vineyard from the vinedressers. <sup>3</sup>"And they took *him* and beat him and sent *him* away empty-handed. <sup>4</sup>"Again he sent them another servant, and at him they threw stones, wounded *him* in the head, and sent *him* away shamefully treated. <sup>5</sup>"And again he sent another, and him they killed; and many others, beating some and killing some. <sup>6</sup>"Therefore still having one son, his beloved, he also sent him to them last, saying, 'They will respect my son.' <sup>7</sup>"But those vinedressers said among themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.' <sup>8</sup>"So they took him and killed *him* and cast *him* out of the vineyard. <sup>9</sup>"Therefore what will the owner of the vineyard do? He will come and destroy the vinedressers, and give the vineyard to others. <sup>10</sup>"Have you not even read this Scripture: 'The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone. <sup>11</sup>This was the LORD's doing, And it is marvelous in our eyes?'" <sup>12</sup>And they sought to lay hands on Him, but feared the multitude, for they knew He had spoken the parable against them. So they left Him and went away. <sup>13</sup>Then they sent to Him some of the Pharisees and the Herodians, to catch Him in *His* words. <sup>14</sup>When they had come, they said to Him, "Teacher, we know that You are true, and care about no one; for You do not regard the person of men, but teach the way of God in truth. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not? <sup>15</sup>"Shall we pay, or shall we not pay?" But He, knowing their hypocrisy, said to them, "Why do you test Me? Bring Me a denarius that I may see *it*." <sup>16</sup>So they brought *it*. And He said to them, "Whose image and inscription *is* this?" They said to Him, "Caesar's." <sup>17</sup>And Jesus answered and said to them, "Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." And they marveled at Him. <sup>18</sup>Then *some* Sadducees, who say there is no resurrection, came to Him; and they asked Him, saying: <sup>19</sup>"Teacher, Moses wrote to us that if a man's brother dies, and leaves *his* wife behind, and leaves no children, his brother should take his wife and raise up offspring for his brother. <sup>20</sup>"Now there were seven brothers. The first took a wife; and dying, he left no offspring. <sup>21</sup>"And the second took her, and he died; nor did he leave any offspring. And the third likewise. <sup>22</sup>"So the seven had her and left no offspring. Last of all the woman died also. <sup>23</sup>"Therefore, in the resurrection, when they rise, whose wife will she be? For all seven had her as wife." <sup>24</sup>Jesus answered and said to them, "Are you not therefore mistaken, because you do not know the Scriptures nor the power of God? <sup>25</sup>"For when they rise from the dead, they neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are like angels in heaven.

<sup>26</sup>“But concerning the dead, that they rise, have you not read in the book of Moses, in the *burning bush passage*, how God spoke to him, saying, ‘I *am* the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob’? <sup>27</sup>“He is not the God of the dead, but the God of the living. You are therefore greatly mistaken.”

## NEW TESTAMENT READING

2 Timothy 2:1-26

<sup>1</sup>You therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup>And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. <sup>3</sup>You therefore must endure hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>No one engaged in warfare entangles himself with the affairs of *this* life, that he may please him who enlisted him as a soldier. <sup>5</sup>And also if anyone competes in athletics, he is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. <sup>6</sup>The hard-working farmer must be first to partake of the crops. <sup>7</sup>Consider what I say, and may the Lord give you understanding in all things. <sup>8</sup>Remember that Jesus Christ, of the seed of David, was raised from the dead according to my gospel, <sup>9</sup>for which I suffer trouble as an evildoer, *even* to the point of chains; but the word of God is not chained. <sup>10</sup>Therefore I endure all things for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup>*This is a faithful saying*: For if we died with *Him*, We shall also live with *Him*. <sup>12</sup>If we endure, We shall also reign with *Him*. If we deny *Him*, He also will deny us. <sup>13</sup>If we are faithless, He remains faithful; He cannot deny Himself. <sup>14</sup>Remind *them* of these things, charging *them* before the Lord not to strive about words to no profit, to the ruin of the hearers. <sup>15</sup>Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. <sup>16</sup>But shun profane *and* idle babblings, for they will increase to more ungodliness. <sup>17</sup>And their message will spread like cancer. Hymenaeus and Philetus are of this sort, <sup>18</sup>who have strayed concerning the truth, saying that the resurrection is already past; and they overthrow the faith of some. <sup>19</sup>Nevertheless the solid foundation of God stands, having this seal: “The Lord knows those who are His,” and, “Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity.” <sup>20</sup>But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay, some for honor and some for dishonor. <sup>21</sup>Therefore if anyone cleanses himself from the latter, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified and useful for the Master, prepared for every good work. <sup>22</sup>Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart. <sup>23</sup>But avoid foolish and ignorant disputes, knowing that they generate strife. <sup>24</sup>And a servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient, <sup>25</sup>in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth, <sup>26</sup>and *that* they may come to their senses *and escape* the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to *do* his will.

***Psalm of Preparation\****

TUNE: HINTZE 7.7.7.7.D

***“Psalm 2”***

“How I Love Thy Law, O Lord”

1. Why do heath - en na - tions rage? Why do peo - ples fol - ly mind?  
 2. But the Lord will scorn them all; He will laugh Who sits on high,  
 3. His de - cree I will make known: Un - to Me the LORD did say,  
 4. There - fore, kings, be wise, give ear; Hearn - en, judg - es of the earth;

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Kings of earth in plots en - gage, Rul - ers are in league com - bined;  
 Then His wrath will on them fall; Sore dis - pleas'd He will re - ply;  
 "Thou art My be - lov - ed Son; I've be - got - ten Thee this day.  
 Serve the LORD with god - ly fear; Ming - le tremb - ling with your mirth.

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Then a - gainst Je - ho - vah high, And a - gainst Mes - si - ah's sway,  
 "Yet ac - cord - ing to My will I have set My King to reign,  
 Ask of Me, and Thee I'll make Heir to earth and na - tions all;  
 Kiss the Son, His wrath to turn, Lest ye per - ish in the way,

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"Let us break their bands," they cry, "Let us cast their cords a - way."  
 And on Zi - on's ho - ly hill My A - noint - ed I'll main - tain."  
 Them with i - ron Thou shalt break, Dash - ing them in piec - es small."  
 For His an - ger soon will burn. Bless'd are all that on Him stay.

## SERMON

*Psalm 58:1-11*

*"A Prayer for God's Just Judgment" Pastor M. Miller*

<sup>1</sup> Do you indeed speak righteousness, you silent ones? Do you judge uprightly, you sons of men?

- 2 No, in heart you work wickedness; You weigh out the violence of your hands  
in the earth.
- 3 The wicked are estranged from the womb; They go astray as soon as they are  
born, speaking lies.
- 4 Their poison *is* like the poison of a serpent; *They are* like the deaf cobra *that*  
stops its ear,
- 5 Which will not heed the voice of charmers, Charming ever so skillfully.
- 6 Break their teeth in their mouth, O God! Break out the fangs of the young lions,  
O LORD!
- 7 Let them flow away as waters *which* run continually; *When* he bends *his* bow,  
Let his arrows be as if cut in pieces.
- 8 *Let them be* like a snail which melts away as it goes, *Like* a stillborn child of a  
woman, that they may not see the sun.
- 9 Before your pots can feel *the burning* thorns, He shall take them away as with a  
whirlwind, As in His living and burning wrath.
- 10 The righteous shall rejoice when he sees the vengeance; He shall wash his feet  
in the blood of the wicked,
- 11 So that men will say, "*Surely there is* a reward for the righteous; Surely He is  
God who judges in the earth."

### Sermon Notes:

- Point 1

- Point 2

- Point 3

**Hymn of Response\***

Melody Green-Sievrigh, 1982

**"There Is A Redeemer"**

Birdwing Music



1. There is a Re - dee - mer, Je - sus, God's own Son; \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. Je - sus, my Re - dee - mer, name a - bove all names, \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. When I stand in Glo - ry, I will see His face. \_\_\_\_\_



pre - cious Lamb of God, Me-ssi-ah, Ho - ly One.  
 pre - cious Lamb of God, Me-ssi-ah, hope \_\_\_\_\_ for sin - ners slain.  
 There I'll serve my King for-ev-er in \_\_\_\_\_ that ho - ly place.



Thank You, O my Fa - ther, for giv-ing us Your Son, \_\_\_\_\_



and leav - ing Your Spir - it 'till the work \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ earth is done.

**BENEDICTION\***

\* --Please stand if able

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## **Prayer Requests**

- This week's WEPCA Missionaries: The Williams Family
- Pray for our Nation's leaders
- Pray for our elders and deacons
- Pray for our covenant children

## **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.
- We will be starting a monthly men's Bible study on Saturday, September 11, at 8 a.m. We will be working through the book of Philippians using Sinclair Ferguson's "Let's Study Philippians" book. There is sign up sheet in the back of church, so we know how many books to order.
- The women of the church are invited to attend a book study meeting on Tuesday's at 7:00 p.m. at the church. For more information, please see Mary Moser.
- We are making plans for Sunday School in the fall and are still in need of teacher for our middle school class. We would ask you to prayerfully consider serving the church in this way. For more information please talk to Pastor Miller.
- Please mark your calendars for a picnic to be held at the church on Sunday, August 22, starting at 5 p.m. The church will be providing the main dish. We ask that you bring bag chairs and a dish to pass. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church to help us with planning. All are welcome and encouraged to attend!
- We will be welcoming Rev. Ric Raines to the pulpit this morning. Rev. Raines is Pastor Emeritus at Fairview Reformed Presbyterian Church (PCA) in Industry, PA.

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

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