



WEST ERIE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

“SO GREAT FEAR CAME UPON ALL THE
CHURCH AND UPON ALL WHO HEARD THESE
THINGS.”

-ACTS 5:11

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THE LORD'S WORSHIP SERVICE
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements & Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Revelation 4:11

Leader: "You are worthy, O Lord, To receive glory and honor and power; For You created all things, And by Your will they exist and were created."

*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*

*Psalm of Praise**

TUNE: EIN FESTE BURG 88.88.66.668

"Psalm 46"

"A Mighty 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*

Westminster Larger Catechism Q&A 98

Leader: Where is the moral law summarily comprehended?

All: The moral law is summarily comprehended in the ten commandments, which were delivered by the voice of God upon Mount Sinai, and written by him in two tables of stone; and are recorded in the twentieth chapter of Exodus. The four first commandments containing our duty to God, and the other six our duty to man.

CONFESSION OF SIN

PSALM 39:4-8

All: "LORD, make me to know my end, And what is the measure of my days, That I may know how frail I am. Indeed, You have made my days as handbreadths, And my age is as nothing before You; Certainly every man at his best state is but vapor. Surely every man walks about like a shadow; Surely they busy themselves in vain; He heaps up riches, And does not know who will gather them. And now, Lord, what do I wait for? My hope is in You. Deliver me from all my transgressions; Do not make me the reproach of the foolish." Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Isaiah 1:17-18

Leader: Hear the good news! "Learn to do good; Seek justice, Rebuke the oppressor; Defend the fatherless, Plead for the widow. ¹⁸"Come now, and let us reason together," Says the LORD, "Though your sins are like scarlet, They shall be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They shall be as wool.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

"Psalm 130"

"Alas, and Did My Savior Bleed"

LORD, from the depths to Thee I cried.
My Lord, give ear to me.
O hear my voice and hearken to
My supplicating plea.

LORD, who shall stand if Thou, my Lord,
Shouldst mark iniquity?
But yet with Thee forgiveness is,
That men may rev'ence Thee.

I wait, my soul awaits the LORD;
My hope is in His word.
More than the watchmen wait for morn
My soul waits for my Lord.

O Is-ra-el, hope in the LORD;
The LORD saves graciously.
And He shall Is-ra-el redeem
From all iniquity.

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 111:1-10

Leader: Praise the LORD! I will praise the LORD with *my* whole heart, In the assembly of the upright and *in* the congregation.

All: *The works of the LORD are great, Studied by all who have pleasure in them.*

Leader: His work *is* honorable and glorious, And His righteousness endures forever.

All: *He has made His wonderful works to be remembered; The LORD is gracious and full of compassion.*

Leader: He has given food to those who fear Him; He will ever be mindful of His covenant.

All: *He has declared to His people the power of His works, In giving them the heritage of the nations.*

Leader: The works of His hands *are* verity and justice; All His precepts *are* sure.

All: *They stand fast forever and ever, And are done in truth and uprightness.*

Leader: He has sent redemption to His people; He has commanded His covenant forever: Holy and awesome *is* His name.

All: *The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; A good understanding have all those who do His commandments. His praise endures forever.*

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Nehemiah 3:17-32

After him the Levites, *under* Rehum the son of Bani, made repairs. Next to him Hashabiah, leader of half the district of Keilah, made repairs for his district. ¹⁸After him their brethren, *under* Bavai the son of Henadad, leader of the *other* half of the district of Keilah, made repairs. ¹⁹And next to him Ezer the son of Jeshua, the leader of Mizpah, repaired another section in front of the Ascent to the Armory at the buttress. ²⁰After him Baruch the son of Zabbai carefully repaired the other section, from the buttress to the door of the house of Eliashib the high priest. ²¹After him Meremoth the son of Urijah, the son of Koz, repaired another section, from the door of the house of Eliashib to the end of the house of Eliashib. ²²And after him the priests, the men of the plain, made repairs. ²³After him Benjamin and Hasshub made repairs opposite their house. After them Azariah the son of Maaseiah, the son of Ananiah, made repairs by his house. ²⁴ After him Binnui the son of Henadad repaired another section, from the house of Azariah to the buttress, even as far as the corner. ²⁵Palal the son of Uzai *made repairs* opposite the buttress, and on the tower which projects from the king's upper house that *was* by the court of the prison. After him Pedaiah the son of Parosh *made repairs*. ²⁶Moreover the Nethinim who dwelt in Ophel *made repairs* as far as *the place* in front of the Water Gate toward the east, and on the projecting tower. ²⁷After them the Tekoites repaired another section, next to the great projecting tower, and as far as the wall of Ophel. ²⁸Beyond the Horse Gate the priests made repairs, each in front of his *own* house. ²⁹After them Zadok the son of Immer made repairs in front of his *own* house. After him Shemaiah the son of Shechaniah, the keeper of the East Gate, made repairs. ³⁰After him Hananiah the son of Shelemiah, and Hanun, the sixth son of Zalaph, repaired another section. After him Meshullam the son of Berechiah made repairs in front of his dwelling. ³¹After him Malchijah, one of the goldsmiths, made repairs as far as the house of the Nethinim and of the merchants, in front of the Miphkad Gate, and as far as the upper room at the corner. ³²And between the upper room at the corner, as far as the Sheep Gate, the goldsmiths and the merchants made repairs.

GOSPEL READING

John 8:1-20

"But Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. ²Now early in the morning He came again into the temple, and all the people came to Him; and He sat down and taught them. ³Then the scribes and Pharisees brought to Him a woman caught in adultery. And when they had set her in the midst, ⁴ they said to Him, "Teacher, this woman was caught in adultery, in the very act. ⁵"Now Moses, in the law, commanded us that such should be stoned. But what do You say?" ⁶This they said, testing Him, that they might have *something* of which to accuse Him. But Jesus stooped down and wrote on the ground with *His* finger, as though He did not hear. ⁷So when they continued asking Him, He raised Himself up and said to them, "He who is without sin among you, let him throw a stone at her first." ⁸And again He stooped down and wrote on the ground. ⁹Then those who heard *it*, being convicted by *their* conscience, went out one by one, beginning with the oldest *even* to the last. And Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst. ¹⁰When Jesus had raised Himself up and saw no one but the woman, He said to her, "Woman, where are those accusers of yours? Has no one condemned you?" ¹¹She said, "No one,

Lord." And Jesus said to her, "Neither do I condemn you; go and sin no more." ¹²Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life." ¹³The Pharisees therefore said to Him, "You bear witness of Yourself; Your witness is not true." ¹⁴Jesus answered and said to them, "Even if I bear witness of Myself, My witness is true, for I know where I came from and where I am going; but you do not know where I come from and where I am going." ¹⁵"You judge according to the flesh; I judge no one. ¹⁶"And yet if I do judge, My judgment is true; for I am not alone, but I *am* with the Father who sent Me. ¹⁷"It is also written in your law that the testimony of two men is true. ¹⁸"I am One who bears witness of Myself, and the Father who sent Me bears witness of Me." ¹⁹Then they said to Him, "Where is Your Father?" Jesus answered, "You know neither Me nor My Father. If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also." ²⁰These words Jesus spoke in the treasury, as He taught in the temple; and no one laid hands on Him, for His hour had not yet come.

Hymn of Preparation*

TUNE: NICEA 11.12.12.10

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

Reginald Heber, 1783-1826

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy" by Reginald Heber. It is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The score consists of three systems, each with a vocal line and a guitar accompaniment line. The guitar line includes chord diagrams and chord names (D, Bm, A, G, E7) above the staff. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line.

System 1:

Chords: D, Bm, A, D, G, D, 7

Lyrics:
 1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
 3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

System 2:

Chords: A, D, Bm, A, E7, A

Lyrics:
 Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

System 3:

Chords: D, Bm, A, D, G, D

Lyrics:
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pur - i - ty.
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

SERMON

Acts 5:1-11

"Great Fear"

Pastor Marc Miller

- 1 But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession.
- 2 And he kept back *part* of the proceeds, his wife also being aware *of it*, and brought a certain part and laid *it* at the apostles' feet.
- 3 But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and keep back *part* of the price of the land for yourself?
- 4 "While it remained, was it not your own? And after it was sold, was it not in your own control? Why have you conceived this thing in your heart? You have not lied to men but to God."
- 5 Then Ananias, hearing these words, fell down and breathed his last. So great fear came upon all those who heard these things.
- 6 And the young men arose and wrapped him up, carried *him* out, and buried *him*.
- 7 Now it was about three hours later when his wife came in, not knowing what had happened.
- 8 And Peter answered her, "Tell me whether you sold the land for so much?" She said, "Yes, for so much."
- 9 Then Peter said to her, "How is it that you have agreed together to test the Spirit of the Lord? Look, the feet of those who have buried your husband *are* at the door, and they will carry you out."
- 10 Then immediately she fell down at his feet and breathed her last. And the young men came in and found her dead, and carrying *her* out, buried *her* by her husband.
- 11 So great fear came upon all the church and upon all who heard these things.

Sermon Notes:

- Point 1

- Point 2

- Point 3

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Before Jehovah's Awesome Throne

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Ps. 100:1, 2

♩ F Gm F C F 7

1. Be - fore Je - ho - vah's awe - some throne, all na - tions, bow with
 2. His sov - ereign pow'r, with - out our aid, made us of dust and
 3. We are his peo - ple, we his care, our souls and all our
 4. We'll crowd your gates with thank - ful songs, high as the heav'ns our
 5. Wide as the world is your com - mand, vast as e - ter - ni -

C G7 C F C7 F 7 D7

sa - cred joy; know that the Lord is God a - lone, he can cre -
 formed us men; and when like wan - d'ring sheep we strayed, he brought us
 • mor - tal frame; what last - ing hon - ors shall we rear, al - might - y
 voic - es raise; and earth, with her ten thou - sand tongues, shall fill your
 ty your love; firm as a rock your truth must stand, when roll - ing

Gm C7 F Csus4 C F Gm F C F 7

ate, and he de - stroy— he can cre - ate, and he de - stroy.
 to his fold a - gain— he brought us to his fold a - gain.
 • Mak - er, to your name?— al - might - y Mak - er, to your name?
 courts with sound - ing praise— shall fill your courts with sound - ing praise.
 years shall cease to move— when roll - ing years shall cease to move.

BENEDICTION*

Prayer requests

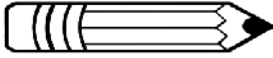
- This week's WEPCA Missionaries: The Spence and Carmen Family
- Pray for our country's leaders and those who serve us.
- Pray for our elders and deacons.
- Pray for our covenant children.
- Pray for the consideration of a new church property

Announcements

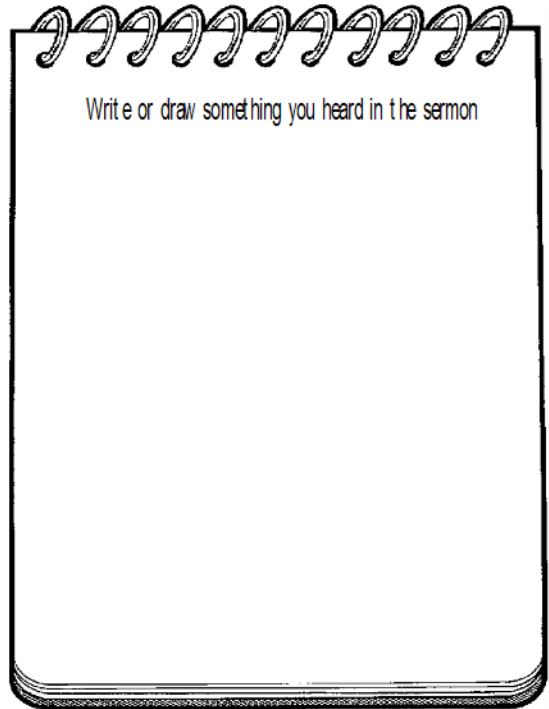
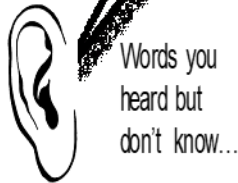
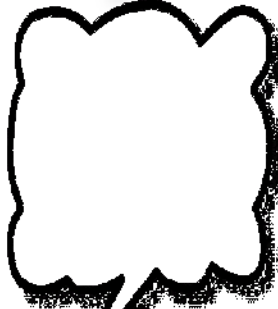
- Prayer meeting: Will pause for the summer.
- Youth Group for Grades 6-12: Sunday June 7, at church from 6-7:30.
- Men's Bible Study: Saturday, June 6 at 8 a.m. Please read chapter 5 in the Romans study book.
- Sunday School: Today is the last Sunday School for the summer. A big thank you to our teachers! They are a real blessing to our church!
- After Church Fellowship: Today after the morning worship service. Refreshments will be provided. We encourage all to attend!
- We will be having a "Sprinkle" for the Schaap family today after church.
- Called Congregational Meeting to vote on purchase of a new church property: Today after the morning worship service and fellowship time.
- Church Picnic: Sunday, June 14 starting at 4:30 p.m. at Mckean Park located at 8800 Main st. Mckean PA. The church will provide the main dish. We ask you to bring a dish or two to pass. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church to help us with planning.

Sermon Notes FOR KIDS

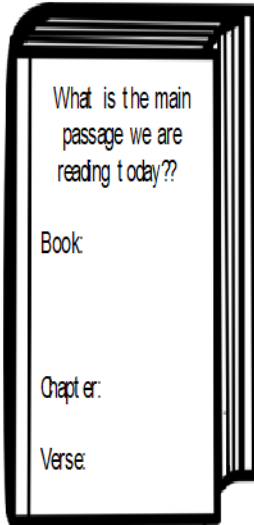
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As you attend church services with your family, use this sheet to help you pay attention and learn. We want you to worship with us by singing to God and listening to the message.



Write or draw something you heard in the sermon

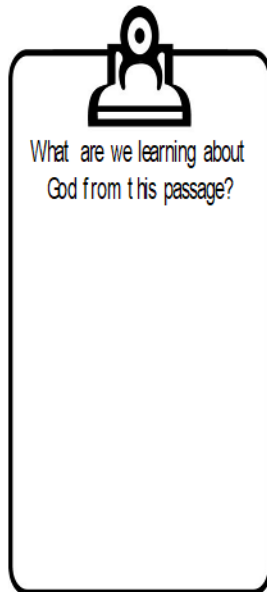


What is the main passage we are reading today??

Book:

Chapter:

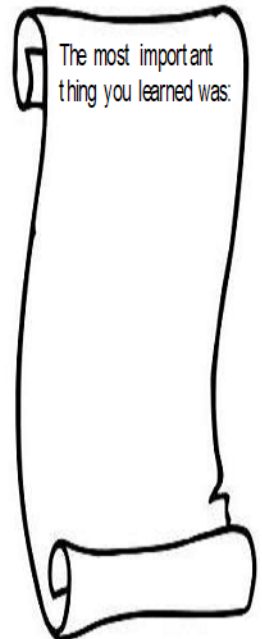
Verse:



What are we learning about God from this passage?



Questions?



The most important thing you learned was:



How does today's message apply to your life?



Favorite song today was:

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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