



WEST ERIE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

"AND MAY THE LORD MAKE YOU INCREASE
AND ABOUND IN LOVE TO ONE ANOTHER
AND TO ALL, JUST AS WE *DO* TO YOU

-1 THESS 3:12

WORSHIP LEADERS:
RE JOE PREVITE, RE TIM WHITBECK

THE LORD'S WORSHIP SERVICE
SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2026

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements & Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 134:1-3

Leader: Behold, bless the LORD, All *you* servants of the LORD, Who by night stand in the house of the LORD!

All: Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, And bless the LORD.

Leader: The LORD who made heaven and earth Bless you from Zion!

*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: TERRA BEATA S.M.D.

“This Is My Father’s World”

Maltbie D. Babcock, 1901.

1. This is my Fa - ther's world, and to my lis - t'ning ears,
2. This is my Fa - ther's world, the birds their car - ols raise,
3. This is my Fa - ther's world, O let me ne'er for - get

all na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres.
the morn - ing light, the lil - y white, de - clare their Mak - er's praise.
that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Rul - er yet.

This is my Fa-ther's world: I rest me in the thought of
 This is my Fa-ther's world: he shines in all that's fair; in the
 This is my Fa-ther's world: the bat-tle is not done; Je -
 rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won-ders wrought.
 rus-tling grass I hear him pass, he speaks to me ev-ery-where.
 sus who died shall be sat-is-fied, and earth and heav'n be one.

CONFESION OF FAITH*

Westminster Larger Catechism Q&A 106

Leader: What are we specially taught by these words [before me] in the first commandment?

All: *These words [before me], or before my face, in the first commandment, teach us that God, who seeth all things, taketh special notice of, and is much displeased with, the sin of having any other God: that so it may be an argument to dissuade from it, and to aggravate it as a most impudent provocation: as also to persuade us to do as in his sight, whatever we do in his service.*

CONFESION OF SIN

PSALM 27:7-9. 11A

All: *"Hear, O LORD, when I cry with my voice! Have mercy also upon me, and answer me. When You said, "Seek My face," My heart said to You, "Your face, LORD, I will seek." Do not hide Your face from me; Do not turn Your servant away in anger; You have been my help; Do not leave me nor forsake me, O God of my salvation. Teach me Your way, O LORD, And lead me in a smooth path. 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. ⁶All 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 3"

"Amazing Grace"

O LORD, how are my foes increased!
Against me many rise.
How many say, "In vain for help
He on his God relies!"

You are my shield and glory, LORD;
You lifted up my head.
I cried out, "LORD!" and from His hill
To me His answer sped.

I lay down, slept, and woke again
The LORD is keeping me.
I will not fear ten thousand men
Entrenched surrounding me.

Arise, O LORD! Save me, my God!
You punish all my foes.
You smite the face of wicked men,
Their teeth break with your blows.

Deliverance is from the LORD,
Salvation His alone!
O let Your blessing evermore
Be on Your people shown!

CONGREGATIONAL 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 145:1-10

Leader: I will extol You, my God, O King; And I will bless Your name forever and ever.

All: *Every day I will bless You, And I will praise Your name forever and ever.*

Leader: Great *is* the LORD, and greatly to be praised; And His greatness *is* unsearchable.

All: *One generation shall praise Your works to another, And shall declare Your mighty acts.*

Leader: I will meditate on the glorious splendor of Your majesty, And on Your wondrous works.

All: *Men shall speak of the might of Your awesome acts, And I will declare Your greatness.*

Leader: They shall utter the memory of Your great goodness, And shall sing of Your righteousness.

All: *The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, Slow to anger and great in mercy.*

Leader: The LORD *is* good to all, And His tender mercies *are* over all His works.

All: *All Your works shall praise You, O LORD, And Your saints shall bless You.*

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Nehemiah 7:61-73

And these *were* the ones who came up from Tel Melah, Tel Harsha, Cherub, Addon, and Immer, but they could not identify their father's house nor their lineage, whether they *were* of Israel: ⁶²the sons of Delaiah, the sons of Tobiah, the sons of Nekoda, six hundred and forty-two; ⁶³and of the priests: the sons of Habaiah, the sons of Koz, the sons of Barzillai, who took a wife of the daughters of Barzillai the Gileadite, and was called by their name. ⁶⁴These sought their listing *among* those who were registered by genealogy, but it was not found; therefore they were excluded from the priesthood as defiled. ⁶⁵And the governor said to them that they should not eat of the most holy things till a priest could consult with the Urim and Thummim. ⁶⁶Altogether the whole assembly *was* forty-two thousand three hundred and sixty, ⁶⁷besides their male and female servants, of whom *there were* seven thousand three hundred and thirty-seven; and they had two hundred and forty-five men and women singers. ⁶⁸Their horses were seven hundred and thirty-six, their mules two hundred and forty-five, ⁶⁹*their* camels four hundred and thirty-five, *and* donkeys six thousand seven hundred and twenty. ⁷⁰And some of the heads of the fathers' houses gave to the work. The governor gave to the treasury one thousand gold drachmas, fifty basins, and five hundred and thirty priestly garments. ⁷¹Some of the heads of the fathers' *houses* gave to the treasury of the work twenty thousand gold drachmas, and two thousand two hundred silver minas. ⁷²And that which the rest of the people gave *was* twenty thousand gold drachmas, two thousand silver minas, and sixty-seven priestly garments. ⁷³So the priests, the Levites, the gatekeepers, the singers, *some* of the people, the Nethinim, and all

Israel dwelt in their cities. When the seventh month came, the children of Israel *were* in their cities.

GOSPEL READING

John 10:22-42

"Now it was the Feast of Dedication in Jerusalem, and it was winter. ²³And Jesus walked in the temple, in Solomon's porch. ²⁴Then the Jews surrounded Him and said to Him, "How long do You keep us in doubt? If You are the Christ, tell us plainly." ²⁵Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in My Father's name, they bear witness of Me. ²⁶"But you do not believe, because you are not of My sheep, as I said to you. ²⁷"My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. ²⁸"And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. ²⁹"My Father, who has given *them* to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch *them* out of My Father's hand. ³⁰"I and My Father are one." ³¹Then the Jews took up stones again to stone Him. ³²Jesus answered them, "Many good works I have shown you from My Father. For which of those works do you stone Me?" ³³The Jews answered Him, saying, "For a good work we do not stone You, but for blasphemy, and because You, being a Man, make Yourself God." ³⁴Jesus answered them, "Is it not written in your law, 'I said, "You are gods" '? ³⁵"If He called them gods, to whom the word of God came (and the Scripture cannot be broken), ³⁶"do you say of Him whom the Father sanctified and sent into the world, 'You are blaspheming,' because I said, 'I am the Son of God'? ³⁷"If I do not do the works of My Father, do not believe Me; ³⁸"but if I do, though you do not believe Me, believe the works, that you may know and believe that the Father *is* in Me, and I in Him." ³⁹Therefore they sought again to seize Him, but He escaped out of their hand. ⁴⁰And He went away again beyond the Jordan to the place where John was baptizing at first, and there He stayed. ⁴¹Then many came to Him and said, "John performed no sign, but all the things that John spoke about this Man were true." ⁴²And many believed in Him there.

*Psalm of Preparation**

TUNE: PASSION CHORALE 76.76.D.

"Psalm 13"

"O Sacred Head Now Wounded"

How long wilt Thou forget me? Shall it forever be?
O LORD, how long neglect me, And hide Thy face from me?
How long my soul take counsel, Thus sad in heart each day?
How long shall foes, exulting, Subject me to their sway?

O LORD, my God, consider, And hear my earnest cries;
Lest I in death should slumber, Enlighten Thou mine eyes:
Lest foes be heard exclaiming, "Against him we prevailed";
And they that vex my spirit Rejoice when I have failed.

But on Thy tender mercy I ever have relied;
With joy in Thy salvation My heart shall still confide.
And I with voice of singing Will praise the LORD alone,
Because to me His favor He has so largely shown.

SERMON

1 Thess 3:11-13

"Abounding Love"

Ruling Elder Joe Previte

- ¹¹ Now may our God and Father Himself, and our Lord Jesus Christ, direct our way to you.
- ¹² And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love to one another and to all, just as we *do* to you,
- ¹³ so that He may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints.

Sermon Notes:

- Point 1

- Point 2

- Point 3

Hymn of Response*

TUNE: ALL SAINTS OLD 8.7.8.7.7.7.7.

"Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder"

John Newton, 1774.

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

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To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood ... to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Rev. 1:5, 6

1. Let us love and sing and won-der, let us praise the Sav-ior's name!
2. Let us love the Lord who bought us, pit-ied us when en-e-mies,
3. Let us sing, though fierce temp-ta-tion threat-en hard to bear us down!
4. Let us won-der; grace and jus-tice join and point to mer-cy's store;
5. Let us praise, and join the cho-rus of the saints en-throned on high;

He has hushed the law's loud thun-der, he has quenched Mount Si-nai's flame:
called us by his grace, and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes:
• For the Lord, our strong sal-va-tion, holds in view the con-qu'ror's crown:
when through grace in Christ our trust is, jus-tice smiles and asks no more:
here they trust-ed him be-fore us, now their prais-es fill the sky:

he has washed us with his blood, he has brought us nigh to God.
he has washed us with his blood, he pre-sents our souls to God.
• he who washed us with his blood soon will bring us home to God.
he who washed us with his blood has se-cured our way to God.
"You have washed us with your blood; you are wor-thy, Lamb of God!"

BENEDICTION*

Prayer requests

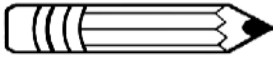
- This week's WEPCA Missionaries: The Nachtergaele Family
- Pray for our country's leaders and those who serve us.
- Pray for our elders and deacons.
- Pray for our covenant children.
- Pray for the purchase of a new church property

Announcements

- Youth Group for Grades 6-12: Please mark your calendars for our fall Kick off and beach night on Saturday, August 29, from 5-8 pm at beach 6 on Presque Isle.
- Men's Bible Study: We will be pausing for the summer. It will start again on Saturday, September 12 with Lesson 6.
- Sunday School: Resumes on Sunday, September 13.
- We will be welcoming Dr T. David Gordon to fill the pulpit next week.
- Our church will be hosting presbytery on Saturday, July 25 starting at 9 am. All are welcome to attend.

Sermon Notes FOR KIDS

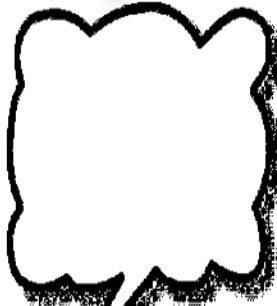
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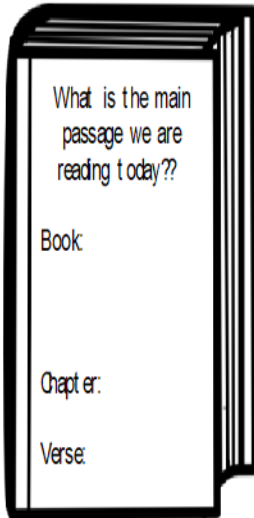
As you attend church services with your family, use this sheet to help you pay attention and learn. We want you to worship with us by singing to God and listening to the message.



Who is speaking?



Words you heard but don't know...

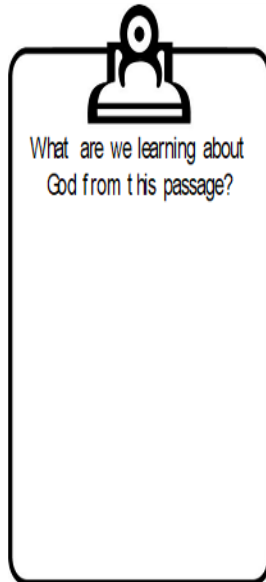


What is the main passage we are reading today??

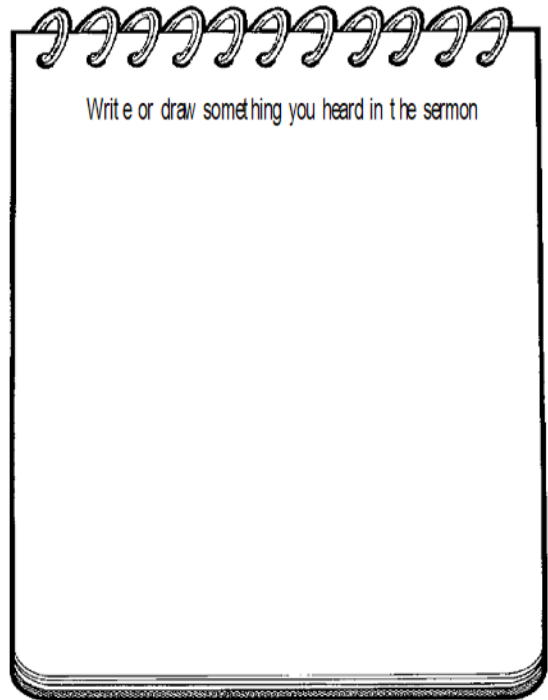
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Verse:



What are we learning about God from this passage?



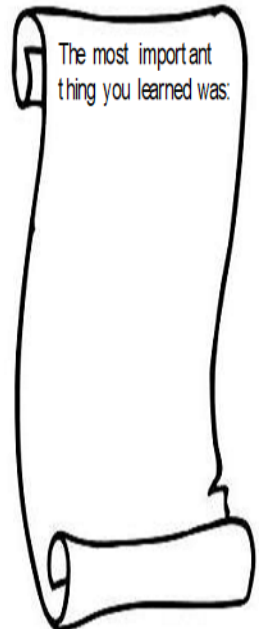
Write or draw something you heard in the sermon



Questions?



How does today's message apply to your life?



The most important thing you learned was:



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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