



WEST ERIE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

“OH, SING TO THE LORD A NEW SONG!
FOR HE HAS DONE MARVELOUS THINGS”

-PSALM 98:1 A

WORSHIP LEADERS:
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THE LORD’S WORSHIP SERVICE
SUNDAY, JULY 19, 2026

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements & Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 146:5-6

Leader: Happy *is he* who *has* the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope *is* in the LORD his God,

All: Who made heaven and earth, The sea, and all that is in them; Who keeps truth forever.

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: DARWALL'S 148th 66.66.4444

“Psalm 92”

“Rejoice, the Lord is King”

It's good to thank the LORD, To praise Your name, Most High!
To show Your love at dawn, Your faithfulness all night!
The ten-stringed lyre
With sweet-voiced lute and rippling harp Your praise inspire.

Your deeds, LORD, made me glad. I'll joy in what You've done.
How great Your doings, LORD! How deep Your thoughts each one!
Fools won't be shown;
The foolish can't accept this truth, To him unknown!

Though sinners grow like weeds, Ill-do-ers blossom may,
They're doomed to be destroyed. You, LORD, exalted stay.
LORD, Your foes fall.
See! How Your foes, vain evil men, Are scattered all!

You've raised, like ox, my horn, Poured fresh oil on my head.
You made me see the spies And hear what plotters said.
Like thriving palm

The righteous grows, like cedars tall On Lebanon.

Those planted by the LORD Shall in God's courts be seen;
When old they'll still bear fruit And flourish fresh and green,
And loud proclaim
How upright is the LORD, my Rock; No wrong in Him!

CONFESSION OF FAITH*

Westminster Larger Catechism Q&A 109

Leader: *What are the sins forbidden in the second commandment?*

All: The sins forbidden in the second commandment are, all devising, counselling, commanding, using, and any wise approving, any religious worship not instituted by God himself; tolerating a false religion; the making any representation of God, of all or of any of the three persons, either inwardly in our mind, or outwardly in any kind of image or likeness of any creature whatsoever; all worshipping of it, or God in it or by it; the making of any representation of feigned deities, and all worship of them, or service belonging to them; all superstitious devices, corrupting the worship of God, adding to it, or taking from it, whether invented and taken up of ourselves, or received by tradition from others, though under the title of antiquity, custom, devotion, good intent, or any other pretense whatsoever; simony; sacrilege; all neglect, contempt, hindering, and opposing the worship and ordinances which God hath appointed.

CONFESSION OF SIN

PSALM 139:1-4, 23-24

All: "O LORD, You have searched me and known me. You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off. You comprehend my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways. For there is not a word on my tongue, but behold, O LORD, You know it altogether. Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxieties; and see if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting." Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Romans 6:23

Leader: Hear the good news! "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

"Psalm 45:1-7, 17"

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

My heart doth overflow; A noble theme I sing.
My tongue's a skillful writer's pen To speak about the King.
More fair than sons of men Thy lips with grace o'erflow,
Because His blessing evermore Did God on Thee bestow.

Thy sword gird on Thy thigh, O Thou supreme in might,
And gird Thyself with majesty And with Thy splendor bright.
To victory ride forth For meekness, truth, and right;
And may Thy right hand teach to Thee The deeds of dreadful might.

Thine arrows sharpened are, Men under Thee to bring,
To pierce the heart of enemies Who fight against the King.
Thy royal throne, O God, From everlasting is;
A righteous scepter evermore Thy kingdom's scepter is.

Thou righteousness hast loved And wickedness abhorred;
On Thee, 'bove all, has God, Thy God, The oil of gladness poured.
Through every coming age I'll make Thy name to live;
The peoples therefore evermore Their praise to Thee shall give.

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

Psalms 33:1-10

Leader: Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous! For praise from the upright is beautiful.

All: Praise the LORD with the harp; Make melody to Him with an instrument of ten strings.

Leader: Sing to Him a new song; Play skillfully with a shout of joy.

All: For the word of the LORD is right, And all His work is done in truth.

Leader: He loves righteousness and justice; The earth is full of the goodness of the LORD.

All: By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, And all the host of them by the breath of His mouth.

Leader: He gathers the waters of the sea together as a heap; He lays up the deep in storehouses.

All: Let all the earth fear the LORD; Let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him.

Leader: For He spoke, and it was *done*; He commanded, and it stood fast.

All: *The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; He makes the plans of the peoples of no effect.*

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Nehemiah 9:20-38

You also gave Your good Spirit to instruct them, And did not withhold Your manna from their mouth, And gave them water for their thirst. ²¹Forty years You sustained them in the wilderness, They lacked nothing; Their clothes did not wear out And their feet did not swell. ²²Moreover You gave them kingdoms and nations, And divided them into districts. So they took possession of the land of Sihon, The land of the king of Heshbon, And the land of Og king of Bashan. ²³You also multiplied their children as the stars of heaven, And brought them into the land Which You had told their fathers To go in and possess. ²⁴So the people went in And possessed the land; You subdued before them the inhabitants of the land, The Canaanites, And gave them into their hands, With their kings And the people of the land, That they might do with them as they wished. ²⁵And they took strong cities and a rich land, And possessed houses full of all goods, Cisterns *already* dug, vineyards, olive groves, And fruit trees in abundance. So they ate and were filled and grew fat, And delighted themselves in Your great goodness. ²⁶Nevertheless they were disobedient And rebelled against You, Cast Your law behind their backs And killed Your prophets, who testified against them To turn them to Yourself; And they worked great provocations. ²⁷Therefore You delivered them into the hand of their enemies, Who oppressed them; And in the time of their trouble, When they cried to You, You heard from heaven; And according to Your abundant mercies You gave them deliverers who saved them From the hand of their enemies. ²⁸But after they had rest, They again did evil before You. Therefore You left them in the hand of their enemies, So that they had dominion over them; Yet when they returned and cried out to You, You heard from heaven; And many times You delivered them according to Your mercies, ²⁹And testified against them, That You might bring them back to Your law. Yet they acted proudly, And did not heed Your commandments, But sinned against Your judgments, 'Which if a man does, he shall live by them.' And they shrugged their shoulders, Stiffened their necks, And would not hear. ³⁰Yet for many years You had patience with them, And testified against them by Your Spirit in Your prophets. Yet they would not listen; Therefore You gave them into the hand of the peoples of the lands. ³¹Nevertheless in Your great mercy You did not utterly consume them nor forsake them; For You *are* God, gracious and merciful. ³²Now therefore, our God, The great, the mighty, and awesome God, Who keeps covenant and mercy: Do not let all the trouble seem small before You That has come upon us, Our kings and our princes, Our priests and our prophets, Our fathers and on all Your people, from the days of the kings of Assyria until this day. ³³However You *are* just in all that has befallen us; For You have dealt faithfully, But we have done wickedly. ³⁴Neither our kings nor our princes, Our priests nor our fathers, Have kept Your law, Nor heeded Your commandments and Your testimonies, With which You testified against them. ³⁵For they have not served You in their kingdom, Or in the many good *things* that You gave them, Or in the large and rich land which You set before them; Nor did they turn from their wicked works. ³⁶Here we *are*, servants today! And the land that You gave to our fathers, To eat its fruit and

its bounty, Here we *are*, servants in it! ³⁷And it yields much increase to the kings You have set over us, Because of our sins; Also they have dominion over our bodies and our cattle At their pleasure; And we *are* in great distress. ³⁸And because of all this, We make a sure *covenant*, and write *it*; our leaders, our Levites, *and* our priests seal *it*."

GOSPEL READING

John 12:1-19

"Then, six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was who had been dead, whom He had raised from the dead. ²There they made Him a supper; and Martha served, but Lazarus was one of those who sat at the table with Him. ³Then Mary took a pound of very costly oil of spikenard, anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the oil. ⁴Then one of His disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, who would betray Him, said, ⁵"Why was this fragrant oil not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" ⁶This he said, not that he cared for the poor, but because he was a thief, and had the money box; and he used to take what was put in it. ⁷But Jesus said, "Let her alone; she has kept this for the day of My burial. ⁸"For the poor you have with you always, but Me you do not have always." ⁹Now a great many of the Jews knew that He was there; and they came, not for Jesus' sake only, but that they might also see Lazarus, whom He had raised from the dead. ¹⁰But the chief priests plotted to put Lazarus to death also, ¹¹because on account of him many of the Jews went away and believed in Jesus. ¹²The next day a great multitude that had come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, ¹³took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, and cried out: "Hosanna! 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!' The King of Israel!" ¹⁴Then Jesus, when He had found a young donkey, sat on it; as it is written: ¹⁵"Fear not, daughter of Zion; Behold, your King is coming, Sitting on a donkey's colt." ¹⁶His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things were written about Him and *that* they had done these things to Him. ¹⁷Therefore the people, who were with Him when He called Lazarus out of his tomb and raised him from the dead, bore witness. ¹⁸For this reason the people also met Him, because they heard that He had done this sign. ¹⁹The Pharisees therefore said among themselves, "You see that you are accomplishing nothing. Look, the world has gone after Him!"

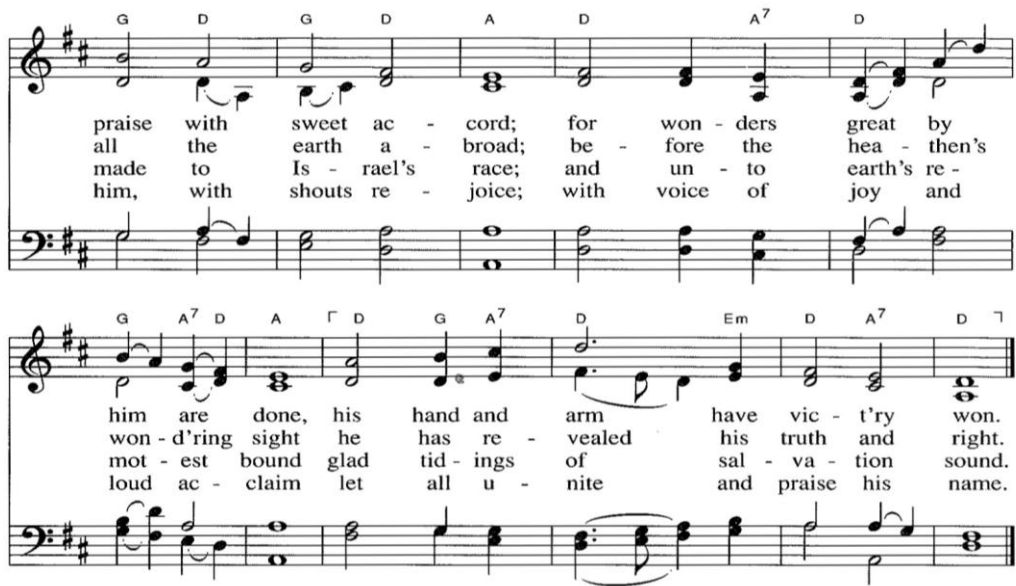
*Hymn of Preparation**

TUNE: DUKE STREET L.M.

"Come, Let Us Sing Unto the Lord"

Psalm 98. Associate Reformed Presbyterian Psalter, 1931.

1. Come, let us sing un - to the Lord new songs of
 2. The great sal - va - tion of our God is seen through
 3. He called to mind his truth and grace in prom - ise
 4. All lands, to God lift up your voice; sing praise to



praise with sweet ac - cord; for won - ders great by
all the earth a - broad; be - fore the hea - then's
made to Is - rael's race; and un - to earth's re -
him, with shouts re - joice; with voice of joy and

him are done, his hand and arm have vic - t'ry won.
won - d'ring sight he has re - vealed his truth and right.
mot - est bound glad tid - ings of sal - va - tion sound.
loud ac - claim let all u - nite and praise his name.

SERMON

Psalm 98

"A Joyful Song to the Lord"

Pastor Marc Miller

- 1 Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! For He has done marvelous things; His right hand and His holy arm have gained Him the victory.
- 2 The LORD has made known His salvation; His righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations.
- 3 He has remembered His mercy and His faithfulness to the house of Israel; All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.
- 4 Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth; Break forth in song, rejoice, and sing praises.
- 5 Sing to the LORD with the harp, With the harp and the sound of a psalm,
- 6 With trumpets and the sound of a horn; Shout joyfully before the LORD, the King.
- 7 Let the sea roar, and all its fullness, The world and those who dwell in it;
- 8 Let the rivers clap *their* hands; Let the hills be joyful together before the LORD,
For He is coming to judge the earth. With righteousness He shall judge the world, And the peoples with equity.

Sermon Notes:

- Point 1

- Point 2

- Point 3

Hymn of Response*

TUNE: DENNIS S.M.

"Joy to the World! The Lord is Come"

John Fawcett, 1782

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Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Ps. 98:4

1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come: let earth re - ceive her
 2. Joy to the earth! The Sav - ior reigns: let men their songs em -
 3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in - fest the
 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the na - tions

King; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room,
 ploy; while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
 ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow
 prove; the glo - ries of his righ - teous - ness

and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture
 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
 far as the curse is found, far as the curse is
 and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his
 and heav'n and na - ture sing,

sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
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heav'n and na - ture sing,

BENEDICTION*

Prayer requests

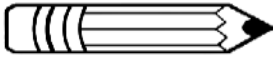
- This week's WEPCA Missionaries: The Garrett Family
- Pray for our country's leaders and those who serve us.
- Pray for our elders and deacons.
- Pray for our covenant children.
- Pray for the purchase of a new church property

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.
- Our church will be hosting presbytery on Saturday, July 25 starting at 9 am. All are welcome to attend.
- Missionary Visit: We will be hosting Bert and Nancy Williams on Sunday, August 9, at 10 am prior to worship to hear from them. We welcome all to attend as this is a great way to hear from the missionaries we support!
- Women's Confrence: "Gospel Transformation: In the Hands of the Potter." Saturday, October 24 at Hillcrest PCA in Volant.
- Church Picnic: We will be having a picnic on Sunday, August 30 at church starting at 5 p.m. The church will provide the main dish. We ask you to bring a dish or two to pass.

Sermon Notes FOR KIDS

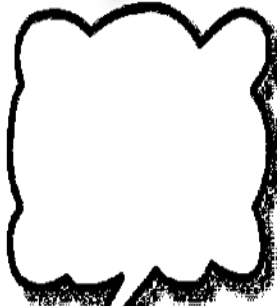
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As you attend church services with your family, use this sheet to help you pay attention and learn. We want you to worship with us by singing to God and listening to the message.



Who is speaking?



Words you heard but don't know...



What are we learning about God from this passage?

Write or draw something you heard in the sermon

What is the main passage we are reading today??

Book:

Chapter:

Verse:



Favorite song today was:

Questions?

The most important thing you learned was:

How does today's message apply to your life?

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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