

# "Be merciful to me, O God, be merciful to me! For my soul trusts in You..." -Psalm 57:1a

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THE LORD'S WORSHIP SERVICE SUNDAY, AUGUST 1, 2021

### ORDER OF WORSHIP

### Announcements

Preparation for Worship

### CALL TO WORSHIP\*

Psalm 111:1-3

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.

### Gloria Patri\*

GLORIA PATRI (MEINKE)

Irreg. Charles Meineke, 1844

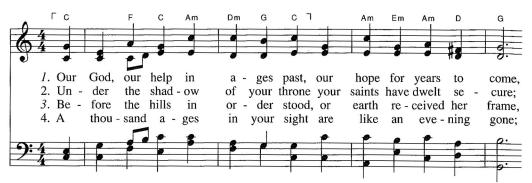
"Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen, amen."

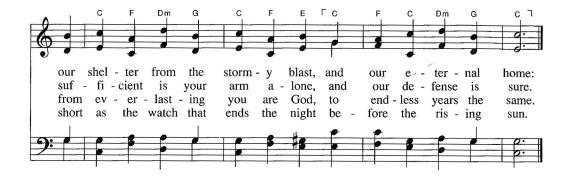
### **PRAYER OF INVOCATION\***

## Hymn of Praise\* TUNE: ST. ANNE C.M.

"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

Isaac Watts, 1719





- The busy tribes of flesh and blood, with all their lives and cares, are carried downward by your flood, and lost in foll'wing years.
- Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all its sons away; they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the op'ning day.
- Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come:
   O be our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

### **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**

Psalm 51:1-9

All: "Have mercy upon me, O God, According to Your lovingkindness; According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, Blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, And cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions, And my sin is always before me. Against You, You only, have I sinned, And done this evil in Your sight -- That You may be found just when You speak, And blameless when You judge. Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin my mother conceived me. Behold, You desire truth in the inward parts, And in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Make me hear joy and gladness, That the bones You have broken may rejoice. Hide Your face from my sins, And blot out all my iniquities." Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.

### SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 John 1:2:1-2

Leader: Hear the good news! "My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world."

### WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

"The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"



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### 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 108:1-13

Leader: O God, my heart is steadfast; I will sing and give praise, even with my glory.

All: Awake, lute and harp! I will awaken the dawn.

Leader: I will praise You, O LORD, among the peoples, And I will sing praises to You among the nations.

All: For Your mercy is great above the heavens, And Your truth reaches to the clouds.

Leader: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens, And Your glory above all the earth;

All: That Your beloved may be delivered, Save with Your right hand, and hear me.

Leader: God has spoken in His holiness: "I will rejoice; I will divide Shechem And measure out the Valley of Succoth.

All: Gilead is Mine; Manasseh is Mine; Ephraim also is the helmet for My head; Judah is My lawgiver.

Leader: Moab is My washpot; Over Edom I will cast My shoe; Over Philistia I will triumph."

All: Who will bring me into the strong city? Who will lead me to Edom?

Leader: Is it not You, O God, who cast us off? And You, O God, who did not go out with our armies?

All: Give us help from trouble, For the help of man is useless.

Leader: Through God we will do valiantly, For it is He who shall tread down our enemies.

### **GOSPEL READING**

Mark 11:20-33

<sup>20</sup>Now in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots. <sup>21</sup>And Peter, remembering, said to Him, "Rabbi, look! The fig tree which You cursed has withered away." <sup>22</sup>So Jesus answered and said to them, "Have faith in God. <sup>23</sup>"For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be removed and be cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says. <sup>24</sup>"Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them. <sup>25</sup>" And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him, that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses. <sup>26</sup>"But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father in heaven forgive your trespasses." <sup>27</sup>Then they came again to Jerusalem. And as He was walking in the temple, the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders came to Him. <sup>28</sup>And they said to Him, "By what authority are You doing these things? And who gave You this authority to do these things?" <sup>29</sup>But Jesus answered and said to them, "I also will ask you one question; then answer Me, and I will tell you by what authority I do these things: 30"The baptism of John -- was it from heaven or from men? Answer Me." 31And they reasoned among themselves, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' He will say, 'Why then did you not believe him?' 32" But if we say, 'From men' " -they feared the people, for all counted John to have been a prophet indeed. 33So they answered and said to Jesus, "We do not know." And Jesus answered and said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things."

### **NEW TESTAMENT READING**

2 Timothy 1:1-18

<sup>1</sup>Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, according to the promise of life which is in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup>To Timothy, a beloved son: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. <sup>3</sup>I thank God, whom I serve with a pure conscience, as my

forefathers did, as without ceasing I remember you in my prayers night and day, 4greatly desiring to see you, being mindful of your tears, that I may be filled with joy, 5when I call to remembrance the genuine faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am persuaded is in you also. <sup>6</sup>Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands. For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind. 8Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me His prisoner, but share with me in the sufferings for the gospel according to the power of God, 9who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began, <sup>10</sup>but has now been revealed by the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who has abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, 11to which I was appointed a preacher, an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles. <sup>12</sup>For this reason I also suffer these things; nevertheless I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day. <sup>13</sup>Hold fast the pattern of sound words which you have heard from me, in faith and love which are in Christ Jesus. 14That good thing which was committed to you, keep by the Holy Spirit who dwells in us. <sup>15</sup>This you know, that all those in Asia have turned away from me, among whom are Phygellus and Hermogenes. <sup>16</sup>The Lord grant mercy to the household of Onesiphorus, for he often refreshed me, and was not ashamed of my chain; <sup>17</sup>but when he arrived in Rome, he sought me out very zealously and found me. <sup>18</sup>The Lord grant to him that he may find mercy from the Lord in that Day -- and you know very well how many ways he ministered to me at Ephesus.

### Psalm of Preparation\* (turn pg.)

"Psalm 57:1-4"

TUNE: GERMANY (GARDINER) LM

"Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness"

### **SERMON**

### Psalm 57:1-11

### "Where are You Hiding?"

Pastor Marc Miller

- Be merciful to me, O God, be merciful to me! For my soul trusts in You; And in the shadow of Your wings I will make my refuge, Until these calamities have passed by.
- <sup>2</sup> I will cry out to God Most High, To God who performs all things for me.
- He shall send from heaven and save me; He reproaches the one who would swallow me up. Selah. God shall send forth His mercy and His truth.
- <sup>4</sup> My soul is among lions; I lie among the sons of men Who are set on fire, Whose teeth are spears and arrows, And their tongue a sharp sword.
- <sup>5</sup> Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; Let Your glory be above all the earth.
- They have prepared a net for my steps; My soul is bowed down; They have dug a pit before me; Into the midst of it they themselves have fallen. Selah
- My heart is steadfast, O God, my heart is steadfast; I will sing and give praise.
- 8 Awake, my glory! Awake, lute and harp! I will awaken the dawn.

- <sup>9</sup> I will praise You, O Lord, among the peoples; I will sing to You among the nations.
- <sup>10</sup> For Your mercy reaches unto the heavens, And Your truth unto the clouds.
- Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; Let Your glory be above all the earth.

### Psalm 57:1-4



### **Sermon Notes:**

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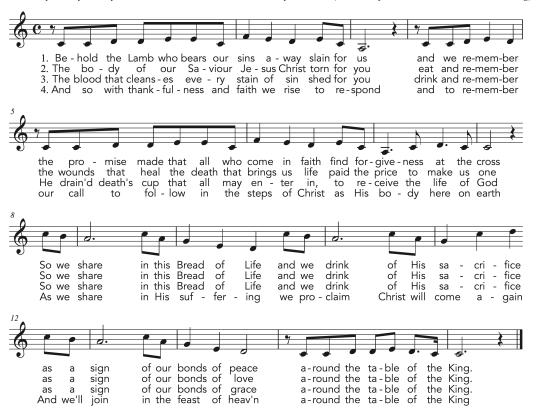
THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

### Hymn of Preparation

### "Behold the Lamb"

Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend

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# Words of Institution and Invitation Prayer of Preparation Passing of the Bread and the Cup Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn of Response\* (turn pg.)
TUNE: EIN' FIESTE BURG 8.7.8.7.6.6.6.6.7.

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Martin Luther, 1529

### **BENEDICTION\***

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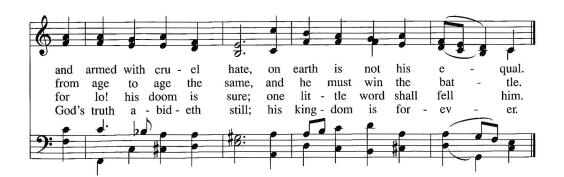
### **Prayer Requests**

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

### Announcements

- Our weekly Zoom prayer meeting will resume again this coming Wednesday at 8:30 p.m. If you would like to attend please talk to Pastor Miller.
- The next men's fellowship Breakfast will be on Saturday, August 7 at 8 a.m. at the IHOP located at Upper Peach street and I-90. For more information, please see one of the elders.
- 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. We need teachers for three classes. A lower elementary class, a middle elementary class, and a 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. All are welcome and encouraged to attend!





### Who Should take Communion?

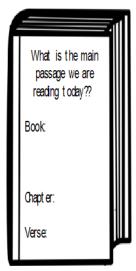
The question of who is eligible to receive communion is one of vital importance. In order to draw our minds towards examining ourselves in accordance with the Apostle Paul's exhortation to the church in Corinth, the Session of West Erie Presbyterian Church in America encourages all in attendance today to consider the following questions:

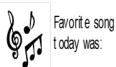
- Do you believe that Jesus Christ, the Son of God, died for your sins and rose again bodily from the dead?
- Do you trust in the Lord Jesus Christ alone for your salvation?
- Have you been baptized?
- Are you a communicate member in good standing of a Bible-believing, gospel proclaiming church?
- Are you pursuing a life of obedience by forsaking sin and striving, by grace and help of the Holy Spirit, to glorify God with your entire life?

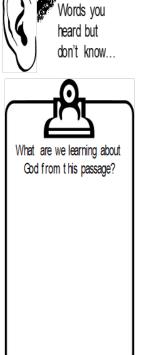
If you can answer "Yes" to each of these questions, then the Session of West Erie Presbyterian Church in America welcomes and invites you to partake of the Lord's Supper with us today.

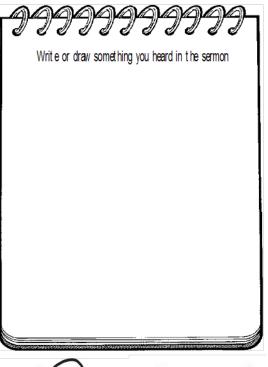
If however, you cannot answer "Yes" to each of these questions — or if you are not sure — then we request that you refrain from partaking at this time. We encourage you to take this time to consider your own personal need for Christ, His abundant provision for the salvation of sinners, as well of the biblical requirement to join a local body of believers in humble submission to Christ's provision of elders and overseers. After the service, please come speak with a member of the Session to discuss the steps necessary to enable you to openly enjoy Communion with Christ and his people through the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

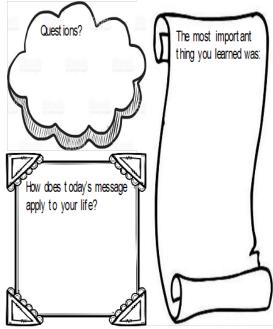
# Ser mon Notes FOR KIDS As you attend church services with your family, use this sheet to help you pay attent ion and learn. We want you to worship with us by singing to God and list ening to the message.











# **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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