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He said, "It is finished!" And bowing
His head, He gave up His spirit.
-John 19:30*

THE LORD'S WORSHIP SERVICE
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2020

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 146:1-2

Leader: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

All: While I live I will praise the LORD; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

*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*

*Psalm of Praise**

TUNE: HENDON 77.77

“Psalm 113”

“Take My Life and Let It Be”

Praise Jehovah; praise the LORD; Ye His servants, praise accord; Bless-ed be Jehovah’s name;
Evermore His praise proclaim. Evermore His Praise Proclaim

From the dawn to setting sun, Praise the LORD, the Mighty One. O’er all nations He is high;
Yea, His glory crowns the sky. Yea, His glory crowns the sky.

Who is like the LORD our God? High in heav’n is His abode, Who Himself doth humble low
Things in heav’n and earth to know. Things in heav’n and earth to know.

He the lowly makes to rise from the dust in which he lies, That exalted he may stand
With the princes of the land. With the princes of the land.

He the childless woman takes and a joyful mother makes; Keeping house she finds reward.
Praise Jehovah; praise the LORD. Praise Jehovah; praise the LORD.

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 God, whose chosen dwelling is the heart that longs for Your presence and humbly seeks Your love, we come to You to acknowledge and confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved You with all our heart and soul, with all our mind and strength, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, or for the good we have left undone. Because You, O Lord, are full of compassion, gracious, slow to anger, and plentiful in mercy, there is forgiveness with You. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation, bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us the word that we need, and let Your word abide with us until it has wrought in us Your holy will. Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 John 2:12

Leader: Hear the good news! "I write to you, little children, Because your sins are forgiven you for His name's sake."

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

***We ask that for the time being you send your tithe checks by mail to our treasurer*

Psalm 136:1-12

TUNE: CONSTANCE 87.87.D

"I've Found a Friend"

O thank the LORD, for good is He; His mercy lasts forever.
Thanks to the God of gods give ye; His mercy lasts forever.
O praises give the King of kings; His mercy lasts forever;
For He alone does wondrous things; His mercy lasts forever;

Who in His wisdom framed the skies; His mercy lasts forever;
Who made the earth from waters rise; His mercy lasts forever;
Who placed the great lights on display; His mercy lasts forever;
The sun to rule the sky by day; His mercy lasts forever;

The moon and stars to rule the night; His mercy lasts forever;
Who Egypt's firstborn all did smite; His mercy lasts forever;
Who freed all Isr'el from their charm; His mercy lasts forever;
With mighty hand and out- stretched arm; His mercy lasts forever.

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 34:11-22

Leader: Come, you children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

All: *Who is the man who desires life, And loves many days, that he may see good?*

Leader: Keep your tongue from evil, And your lips from speaking deceit.

All: *Depart from evil and do good; Seek peace and pursue it.*

Leader: The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, And His ears are open to their cry.

All: *The face of the LORD is against those who do evil, To cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.*

Leader: The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears, And delivers them out of all their troubles.

All: *The LORD is near to those who have a broken heart, And saves such as have a contrite spirit.*

Leader: Many are the afflictions of the righteous, But the LORD delivers him out of them all.

All: *He guards all his bones; Not one of them is broken.*

Leader: Evil shall slay the wicked, And those who hate the righteous shall be condemned.

All: *The LORD redeems the soul of His servants, And none of those who trust in Him shall be condemned.*

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Numbers 20:1-13

Then the children of Israel, the whole congregation, came into the Wilderness of Zin in the first month, and the people stayed in Kadesh; and Miriam died there and was buried there. ²Now there was no water for the congregation; so they gathered together against Moses and Aaron. ³And the people contended with Moses and spoke, saying: "If only we had died when our brethren died before the LORD! ⁴"Why have you brought up the assembly of the LORD into this wilderness, that we and our animals should die here? ⁵"And why have you made us come up out of Egypt, to bring us to this evil place? It is not a place of grain or figs or vines or pomegranates; nor is there any water to drink." ⁶So Moses and Aaron went from the presence of the assembly to the door of the tabernacle of meeting, and they fell on their faces. And the glory of the LORD appeared to them. ⁷Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ⁸"Take the rod; you and your brother Aaron gather the congregation together. Speak to the rock before their eyes, and it will yield its water; thus you shall bring water for them out of the rock, and give drink to the congregation and their animals." ⁹So Moses took the rod from before the LORD as He commanded him. ¹⁰And Moses and Aaron gathered the assembly together before the rock; and he said to them, "Hear now, you rebels! Must we bring water for you out of this rock?" ¹¹Then Moses lifted his hand and struck the rock twice with his rod; and water came out abundantly, and the congregation and their animals drank. ¹²Then the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron, "Because you did not believe Me, to hallow Me in the eyes of the children of Israel, therefore you shall not bring this assembly into the land which I have given them." ¹³This was the water of Meribah, because the children of Israel contended with the LORD, and He was hallowed among them.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Galatians 3:1-29

O foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you that you should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ was clearly portrayed among you as crucified? ²This only I want to learn from you: Did you receive the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? ³Are you so foolish? Having begun in the Spirit, are you now being made perfect by the flesh? ⁴Have you suffered so many things in vain -- if indeed *it was* in vain? ⁵Therefore He who supplies the Spirit to you and works miracles among you, *does He do it* by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? -- ⁶just as Abraham "believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness." ⁷Therefore know that *only* those who are of faith are sons of Abraham. ⁸And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the

gospel to Abraham beforehand, *saying*, "In you all the nations shall be blessed." ⁹So then those who *are* of faith are blessed with believing Abraham. ¹⁰For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse; for it is written, "*Cursed is everyone who does not continue in all things which are written in the book of the law, to do them.*" ¹¹But that no one is justified by the law in the sight of God *is* evident, for "the just shall live by faith." ¹²Yet the law is not of faith, but "the man who does them shall live by them." ¹³Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, "*Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree*"), ¹⁴that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. ¹⁵Brethren, I speak in the manner of men: Though *it is* only a man's covenant, yet *if it is* confirmed, no one annuls or adds to it. ¹⁶Now to Abraham and his Seed were the promises made. He does not say, "And to seeds," as of many, but as of one, "And to your Seed," who is Christ. ¹⁷And this I say, *that* the law, which was four hundred and thirty years later, cannot annul the covenant that was confirmed before by God in Christ, that it should make the promise of no effect. ¹⁸For if the inheritance *is* of the law, *it is* no longer of promise; but God gave *it* to Abraham by promise. ¹⁹What purpose then *does* the law *serve*? It was added because of transgressions, till the Seed should come to whom the promise was made; *and it was* appointed through angels by the hand of a mediator. ²⁰Now a mediator does not *mediate* for one *only*, but God is one. ²¹*Is* the law then against the promises of God? Certainly not! For if there had been a law given which could have given life, truly righteousness would have been by the law. ²²But the Scripture has confined all under sin, that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe. ²³But before faith came, we were kept under guard by the law, kept for the faith which would afterward be revealed. ²⁴Therefore the law was our tutor *to bring us* to Christ, that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵But after faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor. ²⁶For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. ²⁷For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. ²⁸There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹And if you *are* Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Hymn of Preparation*

TUNE: MARTYRDOM C.M.

"Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed"

Isaac Watts, 1707

1. A - las! and did my Sav - ior bleed, and did my Sov - ereign die!
 2. Was it for crimes that I had done he groaned up - on the tree!
 3. Well might the sun in dark - ness hide, and shut his glo - ries in,
 4. Thus might I hide my blush - ing face while his dear cross ap - pears;
 5. But drops of grief can ne'er re - pay the debt of love I owe;

Would he de - vote that sa - cred head for such a worm as I!
 A - maz - ing pit - y! Grace un - known! And love be - yond de - gree!
 • when Christ, the might - y Mak - er, died for man the crea - ture's sin.
 dis - solve my heart in thank - ful - ness, and melt mine eyes in tears.
 here, Lord, I give my - self a - way, 'tis all that I can do.

SERMON

John 19:25-37

"It is finished!"

Pastor Marc Miller

- 25 Now there stood by the cross of Jesus His mother, and His mother's sister,
Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene.
- 26 When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved
standing by, He said to His mother, "Woman, behold your son!"
- 27 Then He said to the disciple, "Behold your mother!" And from that hour that
disciple took her to his own home.
- 28 After this, Jesus, knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the
Scripture might be fulfilled, said, "I thirst!"
- 29 Now a vessel full of sour wine was sitting there; and they filled a sponge with
sour wine, put it on hyssop, and put it to His mouth.
- 30 So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And
bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.
- 31 Therefore, because it was the Preparation Day, that the bodies should not
remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews
asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken
away.
- 32 Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who was
crucified with Him.
- 33 But when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not
break His legs.
- 34 But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood
and water came out.
- 35 And he who has seen has testified, and his testimony is true; and he knows
that he is telling the truth, so that you may believe.
- 36 For these things were done that the Scripture should be fulfilled, "Not one of
His bones shall be broken."
- 37 And again another Scripture says, "They shall look on Him whom they
pierced."

Sermon Notes:

- Point 1

- Point 2

- Point 3

Hymn of Response*

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Beneath the cross of Jesus I find a place to stand,
And wonder at such mercy That calls me as I am;
For hands that should discard me Hold wounds which tell me, "Come."
Beneath the cross of Jesus My unworthy soul is won.

Beneath the cross of Jesus His family is my own —
Once strangers chasing selfish dreams, Now one through grace alone.
How could I now dishonor The ones that You have loved?
Beneath the cross of Jesus See the children called by God.

Beneath the cross of Jesus — The path before the crown —
We follow in His footsteps Where promised hope is found.
How great the joy before us To be His perfect bride;
Beneath the cross of Jesus We will gladly live our lives.

BENEDICTION*

* --Please stand if able

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Prayer Requests

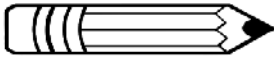
- This week's WEPCA Missionaries: The Williams Family
- Pray for our covenant children
- Pray for our elders
- Pray for those dealing with physical ailments
- Pray for our Nation's leaders
- Pray for God's all sufficient grace to be known in all our lives

Announcements

- We will be having a prayer meeting over Zoom on Wednesday evenings starting at 8:30 p.m. All are encouraged to attend.
- The next men's fellowship breakfast will be on Saturday, January 9, at 8 a.m., at the IHOP on west 12th street. If you need more information, please contact Pastor Miller.
- We praise God for his faithfulness to us in providing us with a place of our own to worship and the ability to pay it off!
- We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper next week. Please take some time to prepare your hearts accordingly to come to the Lord's Table.

Sermon Notes FOR KIDS

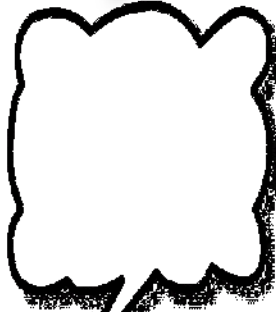
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As you attend church services with your family, use this sheet to help you pay attention and learn. We want you to worship with us by singing to God and listening to the message.



Who is speaking?



Words you heard but don't know...

What is the main passage we are reading today??

Book:

Chapter:

Verse:



Favorite song today was:

What are we learning about God from this passage?

Write or draw something you heard in the sermon

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.
 - This means that we believe in the inspired and inerrant Word of God.
 - This means we believe in the absolute sovereignty of God.
 - This means we hold to a covenantal framework of Scripture.
 - This means that 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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