

"I WILL SURELY ASSEMBLE ALL OF YOU, O JACOB, I WILL SURELY GATHER THE REMNANT OF ISRAEL..."

-MICAH 2:12A

WORSHIP LEADERS:
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THE LORD'S WORSHIP SERVICE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2025

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements & Preparation for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 95:1-3

Leader: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation.

All: Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms.

Leader: For the LORD is the great God, And the great King above all gods.

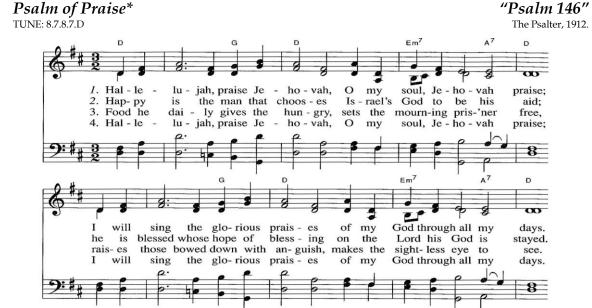
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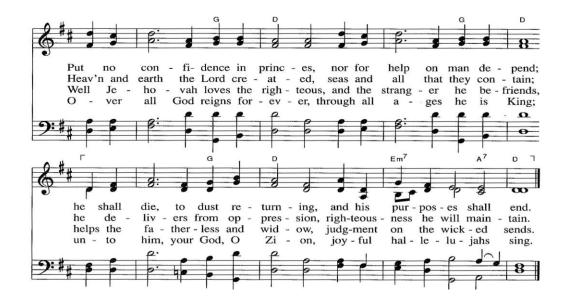
GLORIA PATRI (GREATOREX)

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*





CONFESSION OF FAITH*

Westminster Larger Catechism Q&A 56

Leader: How is Christ to be exalted in his coming again to judge the world?

All: Christ is to be exalted in his coming again to judge the world, in that he, who was unjustly judged and condemned by wicked men, shall come again at the last day in great power, and in the full manifestation of his own glory, and of his Father's, with all his holy angels, with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet of God, to judge the world in righteousness.

CONFESSION OF SIN

All: Almighty Father, You are the source of every good and perfect gift. We praise Your name for the greatest and most perfect gift: Your son, our Lord Jesus Christ. But in lifting Him up, we humble ourselves before You. We confess to You, not only our sins of omission in failing to do what we know is right, but also our sins of commission in doing what You forbid. O Lord, we are weak and feeble, slow to confess our sins and prone to wander from the path of righteousness. Do not deal with us as our sins deserve but wash us clean in the blood of the Lamb and empower us by Your Spirit to live to honor and serve our Savior King. We praise You that He was born like us that we might become like Him. Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Luke 1:68-69, Matthew 1:21

Leader: Hear the good news! "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for He has visited us and accomplished redemption for His people. He has raised up a horn of salvation for us. You shall call His name Jesus, for it is He who will save His people from their sins."

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

"Psalm 23"

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

The LORD'S my Shepherd, I'll not want; He makes me down to lie In pastures green; He leadeth me The quiet waters by.

My soul He doth restore again; And me to walk doth make Within the paths of righteousness, Ev'n for His own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, Yet will I fear no ill; For Thou art with me, and Thy rod And staff me comfort still.

A table Thou has furnished me In presence of my foes; My head Thou dost with oil anoint, And my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life Shall surely follow me; And in GOD'S house forevermore My dwelling place shall be.

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 100:1-5

Leader: Make a joyful shout to the LORD, all you lands!

All: Serve the LORD with gladness; Come before His presence with singing.

Leader: Know that the LORD, He is God; It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

All: Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name.

Leader: For the LORD *is* good; His mercy *is* everlasting, And His truth *endures* to all generations.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 18:1-17

Then He spoke a parable to them, that men always ought to pray and not lose heart, ²saying: "There was in a certain city a judge who did not fear God nor regard man. 3"Now there was a widow in that city; and she came to him, saying, 'Get justice for me from my adversary.' 4"And he would not for a while; but afterward he said within himself, 'Though I do not fear God nor regard man, 5'yet because this widow troubles me I will avenge her, lest by her continual coming she weary me.' " 'Then the Lord said, "Hear what the unjust judge said. 7" And shall God not avenge His own elect who cry out day and night to Him, though He bears long with them? 8"I tell you that He will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will He really find faith on the earth?" ⁹Also He spoke this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: 10"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. 11"The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank You that I am not like other men -- extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I possess. ¹³And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!' 14"I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted." 15Then they also brought infants to Him that He might touch them; but when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. ¹⁶But Jesus called them to Him and said, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. ^{17"}Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it."

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Timothy 5:1-25

Do not rebuke an older man, but exhort *him* as a father, younger men as brothers, ²older women as mothers, younger as sisters, with all purity. ³Honor widows who are really widows. ⁴But if any widow has children or grandchildren, let them first learn to show piety at home and to repay their parents; for this is good and acceptable before God. ⁵Now she who is really a widow, and left alone, trusts in God and continues in supplications and prayers night and day. ⁶But she who lives in pleasure is dead while she lives. ⁷And these things command, that they may be blameless. ⁸But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever. ⁹Do not let a widow under sixty years old be taken into the number, *and not unless* she has been the wife of one man, ¹⁰well reported for good works: if she has brought up children, if she has lodged strangers, if she has washed the saints' feet, if she has relieved the afflicted, if she has diligently followed every good work. ¹¹But refuse *the* younger widows; for when they have begun to grow wanton against Christ, they desire to marry, ¹²having condemnation because they have cast off their first faith.

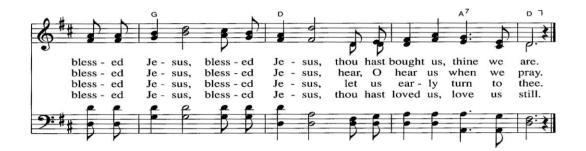
¹³And besides they learn to be idle, wandering about from house to house, and not only idle but also gossips and busybodies, saying things which they ought not. ¹⁴Therefore I desire that the younger widows marry, bear children, manage the house, give no opportunity to the adversary to speak reproachfully. ¹⁵For some have already turned aside after Satan. ¹⁶If any believing man or woman has widows, let them relieve them, and do not let the church be burdened, that it may relieve those who are really widows. 17Let the elders who rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in the word and doctrine. ¹⁸For the Scripture says, "You shall not muzzle an ox while it treads out the grain," and, "The laborer is worthy of his wages." ¹⁹Do not receive an accusation against an elder except from two or three witnesses. ²⁰Those who are sinning rebuke in the presence of all, that the rest also may fear. ²¹I charge *you* before God and the Lord Jesus Christ and the elect angels that you observe these things without prejudice, doing nothing with partiality. ²²Do not lay hands on anyone hastily, nor share in other people's sins; keep yourself pure. ²³No longer drink only water, but use a little wine for your stomach's sake and your frequent infirmities. ²⁴Some men's sins are clearly evident, preceding them to judgment, but those of some men follow later. ²⁵Likewise, the good works of some are clearly evident, and those that are otherwise cannot be hidden.

Hymn of Preparation* TUNE: SHEPHERD 8.7.8.7.4.4.7.rep

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

Hymns for the Young, 1836.





SERMON

Micah 2:12-13

"Restoration to Come"

Pastor Marc Miller

- "I will surely assemble all of you, O Jacob, I will surely gather the remnant of Israel; I will put them together like sheep of the fold, Like a flock in the midst of their pasture; They shall make a loud noise because of *so many* people. ¹
- The one who breaks open will come up before them; They will break out, Pass through the gate, And go out by it; Their king will pass before them, With the LORD at their head."

Sermon Notes:

• Point 1

• Point 2

• Point 3

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O Church, arise, and put your armour on;
Hear the call of Christ our Captain.
For now the weak can say that they are strong
In the strength that God has given.
With shield of faith and belt of truth,
We'll stand against the devil's lies;
An army bold, whose battle-cry is Love,
Reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul
But to rage against the captor;
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole,
We will fight with faith and valour.
When faced with trials on every side
We know the outcome is secure,
And Christ will have the prize for which He died,
An inheritance of nations.

Come see the cross, where love and mercy meet,
As the Son of God is stricken;
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet,
For the Conqueror has risen!
And as the stone is rolled away,
And Christ emerges from the grave,
This victory march continues till the day
Every eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit, come put strength in every stride,
Give grace for every hurdle,
That we may run with faith to win the prize
Of a servant good and faithful.
As saints of old still line the way,
Retelling triumphs of His grace,
We hear their calls and hunger for the day
When with Christ we stand in glory.

BENEDICTION*

Prayer requests

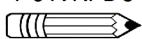
- This week's WEPCA Missionaries: The Garrett Family
- Pray for our country's leaders and those who serve in the military.
- Pray for our elders and deacons.
- Pray for our covenant children.

Announcements

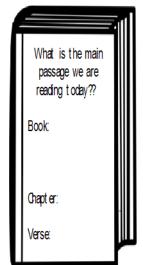
- Prayer meeting: Wednesdays, at 8:30 p.m. over zoom. If you have any questions, please see Pastor Miller.
- Youth Group for grades 6-12: Sunday, November 2 from 6-7:30 at church.
- Men's Bible Study: Saturday, November 8, at 8 am. Please read Chapter 12 in the James Study book.
- Sunday School: Sunday at 10 am. We have classes for ages 4 to adults. Please talk to Pastor Miller if you have any questions.
- New Member/communicant class: Read Chapters 3-4 in the book Confessing Christ.
- After Church fellowship: Today after the morning worship service. All are invited and encouraged to attend.
- Reformation Day Evening Service: Sunday, October 26 at 6 pm. Dr T. David Gordon will be filling the pulpit. There will be refreshments to follow.

Sermon Notes

FOR KIDS



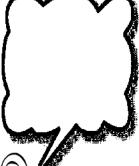
As you attend church services with your family, use this sheet to help you pay attention and learn. We want you to worship with us by singing to God and list ening to the message.





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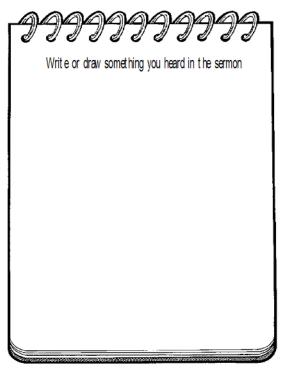


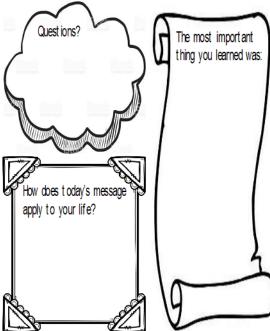


Words you heard but don't know...



What are we learning about God from this passage?





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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