



# WEST ERIE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

“THE LORD REIGNS, HE IS CLOTHED WITH  
MAJESTY;”

→PSALM 93:1A

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THE LORD’S WORSHIP SERVICE  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 31, 2025

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements & Preparation for Worship

## CALL TO WORSHIP\*

*Psalm 97:1-2*

Leader: The LORD reigns; Let the earth rejoice; Let the multitude of isles be glad!

*All: Clouds and darkness surround Him; Righteousness and justice are the foundation of His throne.*

## *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\**

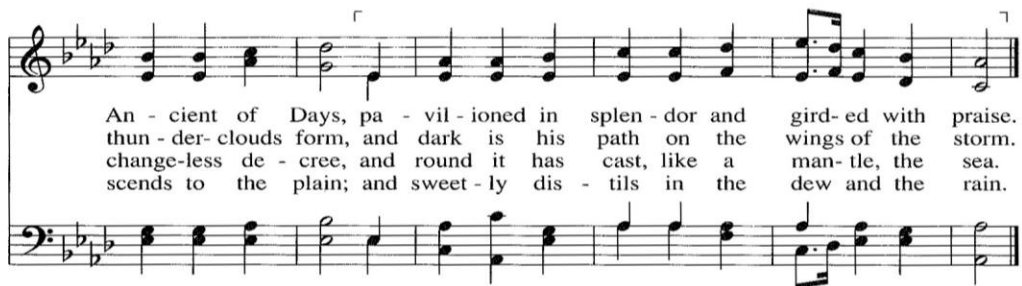
TUNE: LYONS 10.10.11.11.

## *“O Worship the King”*

Based on Psalm 104. Robert Grant, 1833.

1. O wor - ship the King all - glo - rious a - bove, O grate - ful - ly  
2. O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, whose robe is the  
3. The earth with its store of won - ders un - told, Al - might - y, your  
4. Your boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite? It breathes in the

sing his pow'r and his love; our shield and De - fend - er, the  
light, whose can - o - py space. His char - iots of wrath the deep  
pow'r has found - ed of old; has 'stab - lished it fast by a  
air; it shines in the light; it streams from the hills; it de -



5. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;  
your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,  
our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!
6. O measureless Might! Ineffable Love!  
While angels delight to hymn you above,  
the humbler creation, though feeble their lays,  
with true adoration shall lisp to your praise.

### CONFESSON OF FAITH\*

*Westminster Larger Catechism Q&A 48-49*

Leader: How did Christ humble himself in his life?

*All: Christ humbled himself in his life, by subjecting himself to the law, which he perfectly fulfilled, and by conflicting with the indignities of the world, temptations of Satan, and infirmities in his flesh, whether common to the nature of man, or particularly accompanying that his low condition.*

Leader: How did Christ humble himself in his death?

*All: Christ humbled himself in his death, in that having been betrayed by Judas, forsaken by his disciples, scorned and rejected by the world, condemned by Pilate, and tormented by his persecutors, having also conflicted with the terrors of death and the powers of darkness, felt and borne the weight of God's wrath, he laid down his life an offering for sin, enduring the painful, shameful, and cursed death of the cross.*

### CONFESSON OF SIN

*PSALM 130:1-8*

*All: "Out of the depths I have cried to You, O LORD; Lord, hear my voice! Let Your ears be attentive To the voice of my supplications. If You, LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with You, That You may be feared. I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, And in His word I do hope. My soul waits for the Lord More than those who watch for the morning -- Yes, more than those who watch for the morning. O Israel, hope in the LORD; For with the LORD there is*

*mercy, And with Him is abundant redemption. And He shall redeem Israel From all his iniquities." Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name.*

## SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Ephesians 2:4-5*

Leader: Hear the good news! "But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved)."

## WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

### "Psalm 100"

William Kethe, 1561

1. All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing  
2. The Lord ye know is God in - deed; with -  
3. O en - ter then his gates with praise, ap -  
4. For why? The Lord our God is good, his

to the Lord with cheer - ful voice; him serve with fear, his  
out our aid he did us make; we are his folk, he  
proach with joy his courts un - to; praise, laud, and bless his  
mer - cy is for - ev - er sure; his truth at all times

praise forth - tell, come ye be - fore him and re - joice.  
doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.  
name al - ways, for it is seem - ly so to do.  
firm - ly stood, and shall from age to age en - dure.

## 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 96:1-10*

Leader: Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! Sing to the LORD, all the earth.

**All:**     *Sing to the LORD, bless His name; Proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day.*

Leader: Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all peoples.

**All:**     *For the LORD is great and greatly to be praised; He is to be feared above all gods.*

Leader: For all the gods of the peoples *are* idols, But the LORD made the heavens.

**All:**     *Honor and majesty are before Him; Strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.*

Leader: Give to the LORD, O families of the peoples, Give to the LORD glory and strength.

**All:**     *Give to the LORD the glory due His name; Bring an offering, and come into His courts.*

Leader: Oh, worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness! Tremble before Him, all the earth.

**All:**     *Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns; The world also is firmly established, It shall not be moved; He shall judge the peoples righteously."*

## GOSPEL READING

*Luke 14:1-14*

Now it happened, as He went into the house of one of the rulers of the Pharisees to eat bread on the Sabbath, that they watched Him closely. <sup>2</sup>And behold, there was a certain man before Him who had dropsy. <sup>3</sup>And Jesus, answering, spoke to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?" <sup>4</sup>But they kept silent. And He took *him* and healed him, and let him go. <sup>5</sup>Then He answered them, saying, "Which of you, having a donkey or an ox that has fallen into a pit, will not immediately pull him out on the Sabbath day?" <sup>6</sup>And they could not answer Him regarding these things. <sup>7</sup>So He told a parable to those who were invited, when He noted how they chose the best places, saying to them: <sup>8</sup>"When you are invited by anyone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in the best place, lest one more honorable than you be invited by him; <sup>9</sup>"and he who invited you and him come and say to you, 'Give place to this man,' and then you begin with shame to take the lowest place. <sup>10</sup>"But when you are invited, go and sit down in the lowest place, so that when he who invited you comes he may say to you, 'Friend, go up higher.' Then you will have glory in the presence of those who sit at the table with you. <sup>11</sup>"For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

<sup>12</sup>Then He also said to him who invited Him, "When you give a dinner or a supper, do not ask your friends, your brothers, your relatives, nor rich neighbors, lest they also invite you back, and you be repaid. <sup>13</sup>"But when you give a feast, invite *the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind.* <sup>14</sup>"And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you; for you shall be repaid at the resurrection of the just."

## NEW TESTAMENT READING

*1 Thessalonians 4:1-18*

Finally then, brethren, we urge and exhort in the Lord Jesus that you should abound more and more, just as you received from us how you ought to walk and to please God; <sup>2</sup>for you know what commandments we gave you through the Lord Jesus. <sup>3</sup>For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you should abstain from sexual immorality; <sup>4</sup>that each of you should know how to possess his own vessel in sanctification and honor, <sup>5</sup>not in passion of lust, like the Gentiles who do not know God; <sup>6</sup>that no one should take advantage of and defraud his brother in this matter, because the Lord *is* the avenger of all such, as we also forewarned you and testified. <sup>7</sup>For God did not call us to uncleanness, but in holiness. <sup>8</sup>Therefore he who rejects *this* does not reject man, but God, who has also given us His Holy Spirit. <sup>9</sup>But concerning brotherly love you have no need that I should write to you, for you yourselves are taught by God to love one another; <sup>10</sup>and indeed you do so toward all the brethren who are in all Macedonia. But we urge you, brethren, that you increase more and more; <sup>11</sup>that you also aspire to lead a quiet life, to mind your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you, <sup>12</sup>that you may walk properly toward those who are outside, and *that* you may lack nothing. <sup>13</sup>But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. <sup>14</sup>For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus. <sup>15</sup>For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive *and* remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. <sup>16</sup>For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. <sup>17</sup>Then we who are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. <sup>18</sup>Therefore comfort one another with these words.

### *Psalm of Preparation\**

TUNE: LEONI 6.6.8.4.D.

### *"Psalm 99"*

"The God of Abraham Praise"

The LORD is King indeed! Let peoples quail and fear!  
He sits above the cherubim; Let earth be moved!  
The LORD in Zion rules, And over all is high;  
O praise His great and dreadful name, The Holy One!

The pow-er of the King Delights in equity;  
In Jacob You establish law And righteousness.  
Exalt and celebrate The LORD, Who is our God,

And at His footstool worship Him, The Holy One!

For Moses was His priest, And Aaron, too, did serve,  
And Samuel of them who called Upon His name.  
The LORD received their cry; He spoke from out the cloud.  
His testimonies they obeyed; They kept His laws.

O LORD our God, You heard, And answer gave to them;  
You were a God that bore them up But judged their works!  
Exalt the LORD our God! Bow to His holy hill!  
Behold, He is the Holy One, The LORD our God!

### SERMON

*Psalm 93*

*“The Eternal King”*

*Pastor Marc Miller*

- <sup>1</sup> The LORD reigns, He is clothed with majesty; The LORD is clothed, He has girded Himself with strength. Surely the world is established, so that it cannot be moved.
- <sup>2</sup> Your throne is established from of old; You are from everlasting.
- <sup>3</sup> The floods have lifted up, O LORD, The floods have lifted up their voice; The floods lift up their waves.
- <sup>4</sup> The LORD on high is mightier Than the noise of many waters, Than the mighty waves of the sea.
- <sup>5</sup> Your testimonies are very sure; Holiness adorns Your house, O LORD, forever.

## *Sermon Notes:*

- Point 1

- Point 2

- Point 3

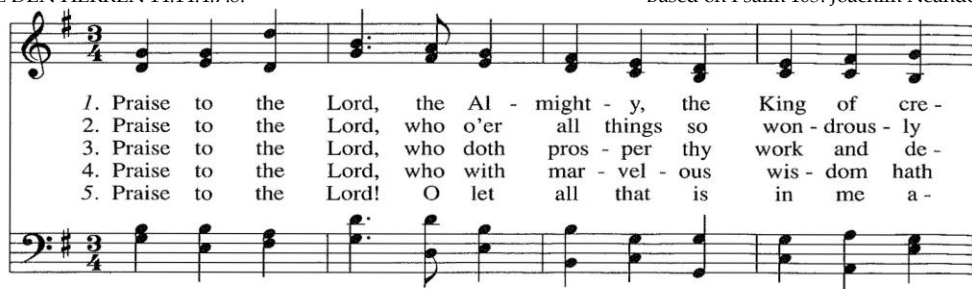


## Hymn of Response\*

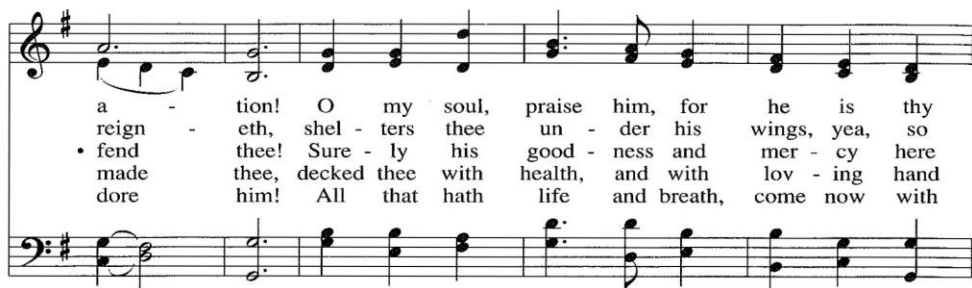
TUNE: LOBE DEN HERREN 14.14.4.7.8.

## "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

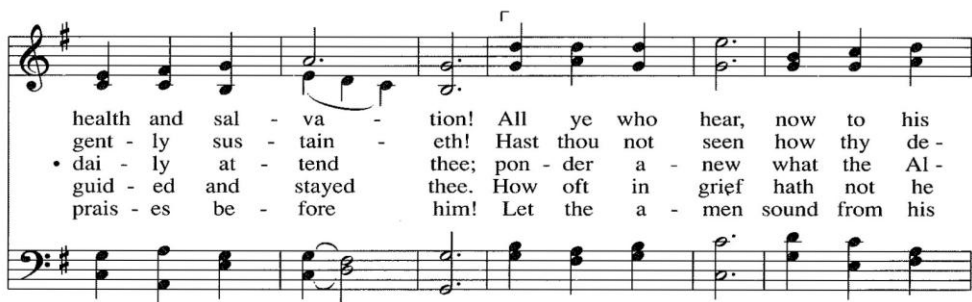
Based on Psalm 103. Joachim Neander, 1680



1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly  
3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de -  
4. Praise to the Lord, who with mar - vel - ous wis - dom hath  
5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy  
reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so  
• fend thee! Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here  
made thee, decked thee with health, and with lov - ing hand  
dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with



health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his  
gent - ly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -  
• dai - ly at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -  
guid - ed and stayed thee. How oft in grief hath not he  
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his



tem - ple draw near, join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion.  
sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?  
• might - y will do, if with his love he be - friend thee.  
brought thee re - lief, spread - ing his wings to o'er - shade thee!  
peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for - e'er we a - dore him.

BENEDICTION\*

## **Prayer requests**

- This week's WEPCA Missionaries: The Williams 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: It will resume on Wednesday, September 3 at 8:30 p.m. over zoom. If you have any questions, please see Pastor Miller.
- Youth Group for grades 6-12: Sunday, September 7, from 6-7:30 at church. Invite your friends!
- Men's Bible Study: Saturday, September 6 at 8 am. Please read Chapter 10 in the James Study book.
- Church Picnic: Today starting at 4:30 at the church. The church will provide the main dish. We ask you to bring a dish or two to pass.
- Sunday School: Sunday School will start again on Sunday, September 7. We have classes for ages 4 to adults. Please talk to Pastor Miller if you have any questions.
- New Member/communicate class: This class will be during the Sunday School hour, the four Sundays of October. The materials are provided and are in the back of church. There is a sign-up sheet on the back bulletin board. If you have any questions, please talk to Pastor Miller.

# Sermon Notes FOR KIDS

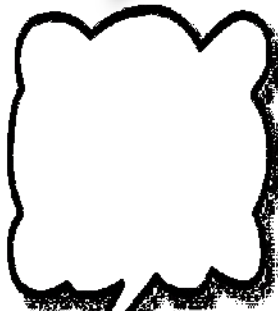
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As you attend church services with your family, use this sheet to help you pay attention and learn. We want you to worship with us by singing to God and listening to the message.



Who is speaking?



Words you heard but don't know...

Write or draw something you heard in the sermon

What is the main passage we are reading today??

Book:

Chapter:

Verse:

What are we learning about God from this passage?

Questions?

How does today's message apply to your life?

The most important thing you learned was:



Favorite song today was:

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# 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](http://www.pcanet.org)).

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