



First Presbyterian
Maumee
LOVE FIRST

January 23, 2022, 10:45 Traditional Service

Called by God, Blessed to Serve: Invitation to Abundant Life

Prelude

“Meditation”

Dupont

Welcome & Announcements

Pastor Tolbert

GOD’S PEOPLE OF HOPE GATHER

*Call to Worship (*from Psalm 86:8-10, 12*)

Pastor Armstrong

One: There is none like you, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.

**All: All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord,
and shall glorify your name.**

One: For you are great and do wondrous things. You alone are God.

**All: I will praise you, Lord my God, with all my heart;
I will glorify your name forever.**

*Hymn

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!” (vv. 1, 2, 4)

No. 142

WE APPROACH OUR HOLY GOD

*Call to Confession

Pastor Armstrong

*Prayer of Confession

One: God of everlasting love, we confess that we have been unfaithful to our covenant with you and with one another. So often we worship other gods in the form of money, power, greed, and convenience. We tend to look for comfort and hope in earthly possessions and relationships. We look to serve our own self-interest instead of serving you and your people. We do not always love our neighbor as you have commanded.

**All: Forgive us, gracious God. Bring us back into the fullness of our covenant
with you and one another. Through Christ, our Lord.**

(Silence for personal confession.)

*Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

***Response**

Gloria Patri

No. 579

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

New Testament Lesson

John 3:1-21

p. 1064

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Nicodemus"

Pastor Tolbert

WE COMMIT OURSELVES TO THE LORD

***Hymn**

"Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound" (vv. 1, 4, 5)

No. 280

Prayers for God's People & the Lord's Prayer

Pastor Tolbert

Offering

***Hymn**

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

No. 376

GO INTO THE WORLD AS GOD'S OWN CHILDREN

*Charge and Blessing

Pastor Tolbert

***Response**

Benediction (May the Peace)

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*Postlude

"Ode to Joy"

arr. Butler

** Please rise, in body or in spirit.*

Worship Leaders Today

Senior Pastor: Clint Tolbert

Assistant Pastor: Jason Armstrong

Readers: Tom Fraser, Jack Hemple

Organist: Wayne Whitten

Hymn Leaders: Heather Oertel, Diane Harper, Crawford Strunk, Don Diller

Tech Team: Nick Wacha, Robbie Dunham, Nick Woodard

Offering

Please make your tithes and offerings for the work of the church by giving as you depart the sanctuary, mailing a check to the church office, or by using the “give” button at the top right-hand corner of the church website. A QR code is also available on the giving card in the pews.

Flowers

This morning’s flowers are given by Barbara, Lisa, Jeff, and Beverly in honor of Jim Foote's 90th birthday.

Hearing Assistance Devices

There are hearing assistance listening devices located in the Narthex, outside of the Sanctuary. Ushers are available to help direct you.

Love First in Prayer: Care with Prayer

Prayers based on God’s word.

*For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son,
that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.*

– John 3:16

Suggested prayer for Knowing God using John 3:16

(Insert “me”/ “I” or another’s name in the blank spaces)

God, you so loved _____ that you gave your one and only Son, so that _____, who believe(s) in Him, shall not perish but have eternal life. In Jesus’ name I pray. Amen

Take home cards of prayers are also available in the Prayer Room.

Sermon Notes