



First Presbyterian
Maumee
LOVE FIRST

April 14, 2024, 10:45 Traditional Service

Living Out God's Kingdom
God Works Through Us

THIRD SUNDAY IN EASTER

GOD'S PEOPLE OF HOPE GATHER

Prelude: Trumpet Tune (Rohlig); "The King of Love" (Broughton)
George Blackney, guest organist

Welcome

Pastor Clint Tolbert

*Call to Worship

Kristen Woodard, Director of Worship & Music

One: This is the good news – Christ is risen! He has conquered death!

All: Hallelujah!

One: This is the good news – Christ is risen! The power of sin over us has been broken!

All: Hallelujah!

One: This is the good news – Christ is risen, and we, too, are raised to new life with him!
Hallelujah! Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

**Hymn of Proclamation, No. 119: "The Strife is O'er"*

The choir will sing the introduction and closing, the congregation is invited to sing verses 1 through 4.

WE APPROACH OUR HOLY GOD

*Prayer of Confession

Pastor Jason Armstrong

One: Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not fully bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives. Too often we have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give him glory.

All: Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body. *(Silence for personal confession.)*

*Assurance of Pardon & Passing of the Peace

**Response of Praise, No. 123: "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" (verse 4)*

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: Acts 3:1-10 (p.1092)

Sermon: "What Do You See?"

Pastor Clint Tolbert

WE COMMIT OURSELVES TO THE LORD

Additional information about prayer and offering is located under Worship Notes.

Hymn of Response: "Give Me Jesus"

1. In the morn-ing when I rise, In the morn-ing when I rise,
2. Oh, when I am a - lone, Oh, when I am a - lone,
In the morn-ing when I rise, Give me Je - sus.
Oh, when I am a - lone, Give me Je - sus.
Give me Je - sus, Give me Je - sus,
You may have all this world, Give me Je - sus.

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Offering

Your Giving at Work

Offertory: "Give Me Jesus" (arr. Hayes)

*Response, No. 592: "Doxology"

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

(Visit "First Pres in Prayer" in the FYI for greater detail of prayers requested.)

*Hymn of Praise, No. 466: "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

GO INTO THE WORLD AS GOD'S OWN CHILDREN

*Charge and Blessing

*Benediction Response: "Benediction (May the Peace)"

*Postlude: Gigue Fugue (Bach)

(A reminder about the postlude is shared under Worship Notes.)

* Please rise, in body or in spirit.

WORSHIP NOTES

PRAYER

If you have a joy or concern that you would like to share with us, so that others can be in prayer with you, please fill out one of our prayer cards (found in the pews or the prayer room) and bring your completed card to one of our prayer team members, located in the prayer room on Sunday mornings. If no one is available at that time, you may leave your card in the prayer box outside of the prayer room. To learn and pray in greater detail for those who are named in the service, please visit “First Pres in Prayer” in the FYI Newsletter.

OFFERING

The Christian life is an offering of one's self to God. One of the ways we respond to Christ's call to discipleship is by returning some of the financial provision that God has provided to us. Please make your tithes and offerings for the work of the church by giving as the plates are passed, 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 to the glory of God, by Natalya & Aleksey Syrnichenko, in memory of Nina & Geniy Syrnichenko.

POSTLUDE

We recognize that the postlude marks the end of the service, summing up the theme of the service (usually celebratory) through music, and we acknowledge that we can respond to the postlude in different ways. The postlude is a piece of sending music, music that encourages as we go and are sent into the world to shine Jesus' light and make disciples. Some in our congregation may choose to go at this time. For others, the postlude is an opportunity to reflect on the service and what was heard. Some in our congregation will choose to sit and be encouraged as they listen to the musical selections that are shared with our church family.

Whether you choose to listen as you go or listen as you remain in the Sanctuary, we ask that you are conscious of those around you, offering grace to each other as we all seek to follow the Spirit's leading as our service concludes.