10:45 Traditional Service September 14, 2025



Current Series: KNOW WHAT YOU BELIEVE

UPCOMING WORSHIP SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENTS - SEPT. 20 & 21 Due to Road Closures for Garmin Marathon Toledo

- At First Pres Maumee on SATURDAY, Sept. 20, at 5:30 pm (Modern Service)
- At The Reed Chapel at Ohio Living Swan Creek on Sun., Sept. 21, at 10:45 am (Traditional Service)
- Online at firstpresmaumee.online.church on Saturday, Sept. 20 at 5:30, and Sunday, Sept. 21 at 9:00 & 10:45. The service that will be playing is the Saturday evening Modern Service at all three times.

PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

Open & Mark your Bible: John 20:19-31 (p.1087) & (Romans 10:9-10, p. 1135)

Hymnal: 263, "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"; 420: "God of Grace and God of Glory"

GOD'S PEOPLE OF HOPE GATHER

Prelude: "I Love to Tell the Story" (Held); "All Glory Be to God On High" (Manz) Wayne Whitten, organist

Welcome

Pastor Clint Tolbert

*Call to Worship (based on 1 Tim. 1:17)

One: Come, let us worship the eternal God—the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only wise God!

All: To Him be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen

*Hymn of Praise, No. 263: "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

WE APPROACH OUR HOLY GOD

*Prayer of Confession (based on last week's scripture focus, 1 Cor. 15:1-8)

One: Gracious God, we confess that we too often forget your good news: that Christ died for our sins, was buried, and rose again on the third day. We do not stand firm in this truth, and we fail to live as people made alive in Christ.

All: Forgive our doubt, our fear, and our silence. By Your mercy, help us to hold fast to the gospel and to live as faithful witnesses of the risen Lord. Through Christ we pray. (Silence for personal confession.)

*Assurance of Pardon & Passing of the Peace

*Response, No. 579: "Gloria Patri"

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: John 20:19-31 (p.1087) Lori Skees

Sermon: "We Believe In: Faith as Trust and Allegiance" (Romans 10:9-10, p. 1135)

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WE COMMIT OURSELVES TO THE LORD

Song of Response: "Passion Song" (text on back of Order of Worship)
Josh Steele, guitar & solo; Susan Stephenson & Jaryn Millin, violin

Offering & Your Giving at Work

Offertory: Sonata IV – Adagio (Handel)

*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.)

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.

*Hymn of Prayer, No. 420: "God of Grace and God of Glory"

GO INTO THE WORLD AS GOD'S OWN CHILDREN

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude: Caprice sur les Grands Jeux (Clerambault)

* Please rise, in body or in spirit.

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Are you new to First Pres? We'd love to get to know you. Connect Cards are available in the pews. Please place your completed card in the offering plate.

WORSHIP NOTES

FLOWERS

This morning's flowers are given to the glory of God, by Jen, Matt, Killian and Jameson Hudson, in honor of Jen & Matt's wedding anniversary, and John's birthday.

Sermon Notes: September 14, 2025

Romans 10:9-10 (John 20:19-31) "We Believe In: Faith as Trust and Allegiance"

Main Points

- Saving faith is an individual exercise meant to be lived out in community.
- Saving faith is not simply a feeling, but a costly conviction for which we must be willing to pay a great price.
- Saving faith does not primarily answer the question, "what?" Instead, it points us to "who?"

Other Scripture Referenced

- "Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. This is what the ancients were commended for." **Hebrews 11:1-2**
- "Choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." **Joshua 24:15**
- And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes
 to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly
 seek him. Hebrews 11:6

Helpful Quotes and References

• "Don't approach these lines as cold, hard facts. We are not here to merely attempt to understand doctrine. What we're after - what the Lord wants for us - is to meet the God this Creed confesses." - Glenn Packiam, "What's a Christian, Anyway?" p.42

Application Question

• Take an inventory of your faith. How are you living differently because you are following Jesus as Lord? (hint: look at the way you use your time and money. Consider your relationships and priorities. What would others say marks your life?)

Passion Song

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Christian, do you love me? Do you love me more than these? Will you sit beside me, and let me wash your feet? O Lord, I'll sit with you. O Lord, I'll sit with you.

Christian, do you love me? Do you love me more than these? Will you pray beside me in dark Gethsemane? O Lord, I'll pray with you. O Lord, I'll pray with you.

Christian, do you love me? Do you love me more than these? Will you walk beside me on the road to Calvary? O Lord, I'll walk with you. O Lord, I'll walk with you.

Christian, do you love me? Do you love me more than these? Will you stand beside me as I die upon this tree? O Lord, I'll stand with you. O Lord, I'll stand with you

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord I will stand with you.

Sinner, will you love me? Will you love me more than these? For I'm the one to save you from the bonds of slavery. O Lord, I will love you. My Lord, I will love you.

Additional verses:

Christian, do you love me? Do you love me more than these? Will you eat beside me, and on my body feed? O Lord, I'll eat with you. O Lord, I'll eat with you.

Christian, do you love me? Do you love me more than these? Will you stay beside me through my trial of mockery? O Lord, I'll stay with you. O Lord, I'll stay with you.