

9:00 Modern Service

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First Pres Maumee
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Current Series: GENEROUS - living with open hands before God

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.

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

Open & Mark your Bibles: Mark 10:17-27 (p.1013); 1 Timothy 6:6-10 (p. 1195)

Hymnal: No. 535; No. 11; No. 285; No. 434; No. 217

GOD'S PEOPLE OF HOPE GATHER

Song of Exhortation, No. 535: "Psalm 34 (Taste and See)"

Welcome

Pastor Clint Tolbert

Call to Worship: Psalm 34:8-10 *"Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him. Fear the Lord, you his holy people, for those who fear him lack nothing. The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing."*

Song of Proclamation, No. 11: "Only a Holy God"

WE APPROACH OUR HOLY GOD

Prayer of Confession (including scripture from Psalm 34:8-10)

One: Merciful God, you invite us to *taste and see that you are good*, yet we confess that we often seek fulfillment apart from you. You promise that *those who seek you lack no good thing*, yet we live in fear and self-reliance rather than trust.

All: **Forgive us for the sins we confess and those we do not see. Turn our hearts again to you, that we may fear you with reverence and joy and live as people who truly trust in your goodness. We pray these things through Jesus Christ our Lord.**
(Silence for personal confession.)

Assurance of Pardon & Passing of the Peace

Song of Prayer, No. 299: "Show Us Christ" (verse 1)

Children's Church Sending – information located under Worship Notes.

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: Mark 10:17-27 (p.1013)

Erica Werner

Song of Response, No. 285: "My Worth is Not in What I Own"

Sermon: "The Freedom of Enough" (1 Timothy 6:6-10, p. 1195)

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GENEROUS—The Freedom of Enough

Main Points

- Our relationship to money and material things exposes what we really believe about life and eternity.
- The love of money is a trap that ensnares and destroys those who fall into it.
- Generosity is the key to avoiding being ensnared and destroyed by greed.

Other Scripture Referenced

- “Jesus said again, “Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them. I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.” - **John 10:7-10**
- Keep falsehood and lies far from me; give me neither poverty nor riches, but give me only my daily bread. Otherwise, I may have too much and disown you and say, ‘Who is the LORD?’ Or I may become poor and steal, and so dishonor the name of my God. - **Proverbs 30:8-9**
- “I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do all this through him who gives me strength.” - **Philippians 4:12-13**

Application

- The next time you receive “extra,” take time to ask God how he wants you to use it.