9:00am Modern Service
November 1, 2026

First Pres Maumee
LOVE FIRST

Current Series: Being Human in the Age of AI

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

Mark your Bibles
Genesis 4:1-16 (p. 4)

Mark your Hymnals
No. 185 | No. 121
No. 838

GOD'S PEOPLE OF HOPE GATHER

Song of Praise: "Praise Upon Praise"

Welcome & Announcements — *Pastor Clint Tolbert*

Call to Worship: from Revelation 7:9-10

Song of Praise, No. 185: "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

WE APPROACH OUR HOLY GOD

Prayer of Confession

One: Merciful God, you alone are Lord over heaven and earth, yet we confess that we have not acknowledged your reign over every part of our lives. We have trusted our own wisdom more than yours and pursued our own desires instead of your will. Too often we have lived as though we belonged to ourselves rather than to you.

All: Forgive us, we pray. By your Holy Spirit, turn our hearts back to you, that we may gladly submit to the lordship of Jesus Christ and live for the glory of your kingdom.
(Silence for personal confession.)

Assurance of Pardon & Passing of the Peace

Song of Prayer, No. 299: "Show Us Christ"

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

Songs of Assurance: "Before the Throne of God Above"

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: Genesis 4:1-16 (p. 4)

Sermon: "Are we ruling or being ruled?" *Pastor Clint Tolbert*

WE COMMIT OURSELVES TO THE LORD

A Time for Remembrance and Thanks

Celebrating the Lord's Supper

Songs of Invitation: "Come to the Feast"

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

Offering Announcement & Your Giving at Work

Song of Proclamation, No. 838: "All Sufficient Merit"

GO INTO THE WORLD AS GOD'S OWN CHILDREN

Charge and Blessing

Please join us for Fellowship Hour downstairs
in the Fellowship Hall after the service.

WORSHIP NOTES

CHILDREN'S CHURCH & NURSERY

Children ages four through fifth grade are invited to join our teachers for Children's Church (a time for child-engaging worship activities). We will send the children off following our song of prayer (Show Us Christ) prior to the sermon. They will return prior to communion. If this is your child's first time in Children's Church, please go with them to meet our teachers. The nursery is staffed during the entire service for infants through age three.

COMMUNION SERVICE TODAY

As we share in the celebration of the Lord's Supper today, those wishing to receive communion will come forward, down the center aisle, to receive the elements from the table. Please pick up a cup of bread and a cup of juice and return to your seat (by way of the side aisle) to partake of the elements. For those for whom moving to the front is not as easy to do, please remain in your seats. Communion Servers will be stationed in the side aisles and will come and serve you.

ACCESSIBILITY

Assistive listening devices, along with large-print bulletins and Bibles, are available in the Narthex at the back of the Sanctuary. Handicap seating is also available throughout the Sanctuary. Please see an usher for assistance

OFFERING

The Christian life is an offering of oneself 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 you depart the Sanctuary, mailing a check to the church office, or by using the "give" button on the church website. A QR code is also available on the giving card in the pews.

MODERN SERVICE PLAYLIST

Prepare to actively participate in worship by knowing the music we sing! May these songs remind us of the truths that are found in Scripture, and by listening, may we be able to worship more fully on Sunday mornings.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

LOVED FIRST TOURS

Take a tour with Pastor Jason of the new space for the Loved First Worshiping Community on Wednesday, November 11, 3:00-4:30pm. Meet at First Pres Maumee and travel together. Please register on our website.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PRESENTATIONS

Join us for upcoming opportunities to learn more about the campaign.
11/15, 12/6 - Sundays 12-12:45, Conant Room
11/18 - Wednesday 6:30-7:15, Conant Room

WEDNESDAY COMMUNITY DINNER

Wednesday Community Dinners at First Pres are a relaxed, welcoming way to gather midweek and share a meal together. Come enjoy a homestyle dinner, friendly conversation, and meaningful connection as we grow in faith side by side. Dinner begins at 5:30 pm, with activities for children and youth starting at 6:15 pm.

THIS WEEK:

- **Scripture & Song** (Sanctuary, 6:30): Gather with others to worship and be encouraged through the reading of God's Word and the singing of scriptural truths.
- **Why Do We Need the Bible**? (Choir Room, 6:30): a small group discussion watching the video series of the same name by Lisa Harper

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CARING FOR OUR CHURCH

As a church family, we are called to care for one another. An important part of that care is letting others know when we need prayer, encouragement, or support. **Covenant partners** are encouraged to recognize their assigned deacon as an important part of that care. We encourage you to reach out to your deacon whenever you or someone in your family has a need or concern. **Those who are not yet covenant partners** may contact the church office at 419-893-0233 or staff@firstpresmaumee.org. **Prayers** submitted through the church website or on a prayer card will be shared with our prayer team for at least two weeks. Sunday mornings, our prayer team welcomes you to the Prayer Room for prayer. To learn and pray in greater detail for those who are named in the service, please visit **"Love First in Prayer"** in the FYI Newsletter.

Our pastors and leaders will work to ensure everyone experiences the love of Jesus Christ through the church's care.

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