

Ministering Today

Presiding Elder	Becky Sisk
Elders	Linda Rex
	Sandy Surface
Deacons	
Chancel Head	Lisa Cheatham
	Tim Dougherty
	Larry Weber
	Debbie Presnell
	Terrie Wronkiewicz
Lay Reader	Sandy Surface
Greeters	Frank Wheeler
	Kathleen Wheeler
Counters	Ralph Tegg
	Steve West
Adult SS	Hank Anderson
Youth SS	Cheryl Davis
Preschool	Katie Fitch

First Christian Church Peoria, as an open and affirming church, believes that all people are sacred creations of a loving God. We affirm the diversity that exists among us. We strive to answer the call of Christ by extending his love, compassion, and acceptance to all. In that spirit we open our family of faith to people of every religious background, sexual orientation, family structure, physical and mental ability, race, socio-economic status, age, and gender identity. We welcome all people to participate fully in the life and ministry of First Christian Church

Staff

Hank Anderson	Interim Minister
Heather Woods	Music Ministry Coordinator
Brian Woods	Organist
Mason Fitch	Digital Ministry Coordinator
Brandy Cox	Child Care
Diane Pfoff	Office Manager
Lynn Hutton	Bookkeeper
Sung Kim	Custodian

Calendar

Today	
9:00 am	Adult Studies
10:30 am	Worship Service
4:00 pm	Cluster Lenten Service FC Peoria
7:00 pm	Private Group
Monday	
6:00 pm	Peoria Players
Tuesday	
6:00 pm	PACC
6:00 pm	Peoria Players
Wednesday	
10:30 am	Bible Study
5:00 pm	Dungeons & Dragons
6:00 pm	Peoria Players
Thursday	
6:00 pm	Peoria Players
Friday	
5:30 pm	Tamil School
Saturday	
7:00 am	Private Group
9:00 am	FCC Grounds Clean Up
Next Sunday	
9:00 am	Adult Studies
10:30 am	Worship Service
12:00 pm	Elders Meeting
12:30 pm	Jubilate Rings
1:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir
4:00 pm	Cluster Lenten Service Mackinaw CC
7:00 pm	Private Group



March 30, 2025
10:30am

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Fourth Sunday in Lent
† indicates standing, if able

Today's Meditation
It is faith that looks up at the creator God and knows him to be the God of love. And it is faith that looks out at the world with the longing to bring that love to bear in healing, reconciliation, and hope.
-N.T. Wright

†Fellowship of the Church
(Please sign in online or on the red pad in your pew)

Music for Meditation
Blessed Assurance
Please use the music and the moment of silence to prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

A Moment of Silence

†Opening Hymn #17
O Worship the King

†Call to Worship
Leader: Welcome, friends, on this holy day.
People: We come to offer thanks; we come to sing and pray.
Leader: Welcome to this time set apart,
People: A time to remember those we love and a time to remember the holy promises of God.
Leader: Welcome to this table of remembrance and joy,
People: The table where we are fed, the feast we share with many.
Leader: Welcome, friends, and let us worship God.

†Opening Prayer
Leader: Let us pray together...
All: In the name of God, who created us, who holds us and the whole world in his hands. In the name of the Son who came into the world, who reconciles us with God. In the name of the Holy Spirit, who fills us with eternal life, who links us with all Christians, and offers us peace, we come together to offer our thanks and praise. We offer this time in the name of the one who taught us to pray singing. . .
The Lord's Prayer may be found in the hymnal #307

Scripture Reading 2 Corinthians 5:16–20
This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Children's Message Mason Fitch

Special Music Natalie Woods, french horn
Panis Angelicus Cesar Franck

Sermon Hank Anderson
Savior: The Power of the Cross
Repairing What's Broken

†Hymn of Commitment #272
The Church's One Foundation vss 1 & 2

A Time of Prayer
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Communion Hymn #197
Beneath the Cross of Jesus

The Lord's Supper
All: Here we celebrate that all people are welcome at this table of God's grace.

Offering Statement

Tithes & Offerings
If you are able, please come forward at this time to place your offering in the plate in front of the communion table.
At the Cross

†Doxology #46

†Dedication of Offering

†Benediction

†Congregational Response #609
Take My Life vs 1

Postlude
I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Today's Announcements (weekly calendar on back)

- Communion Elements ~ For those who feel they need an extra level of protection, there are sealed bread and juice containers. We ask that everyone else use the double-cupped wafer and juice that will be passed through the pews.
- We are a church of prayer ~ There are prayer request forms on the welcome table and you can also fill out the form on the church app. The paper forms can be put in the offering plate, or hand it directly to the pastor.
- Our sound system is equipped with a hearing assistance technology system. Please see someone in the tech booth for more information or to use.
- Sunday Morning Study ~ During the season of Lent, Hank is leading a study looking at some of the different ways that Christians have understood the Cross. You can still join in, just speak with Hank regarding the accompanying book.
- Bible Study ~ Wednesday's at 10:30 a.m. with Hank. We are studying Paul's Letter to the Romans. Please join us anytime!
- Easter Celebration ~ April 19th at 10 a.m. Your kids will hear the Easter story, have a fun egg hunt, and enjoy some breakfast snacks!
- Disciple Women ~ April 8th at 12 p.m. The group will be painting the pottery they made in February. Sign up at the information desk or in the app!
- Tasting Peoria ~ April 10th at 6 p.m. We will be going to Peoria Pizza Works, 3921 N Prospect Rd, Peoria Heights, IL 61616. Sign up at the info desk or in the app.
- Movie Night ~ April 24th at 6 p.m. The movie is "The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel". Sign up at the info desk or in the app.
- April Potluck ~ April 27th after the Worship Service. Bring your own tableware to reduce waste. Please sign up in the app or at the information desk if you are able to help with setup or clean up
- Book Club ~ May 1st at 6 p.m. The book is "We Solve Murders" by Richard Osman. We will meet at the home of Elizabeth Carrico; please reach out to Elizabeth or the office for the address. Sign up at the info desk or in the app.