

Ministering Today

Presiding Elder	Kathleen Wheeler
Elders	Roger Baker
	Vickie Baker
Deacons	
Chancel Head	Kelsey Reynolds
	John Best
	Victoria Truelove
	Oliver Truelove
Lay Reader	Becky Sisk
Greeters	Ralph & Ilene Tegg
Counters	Steve & Monica Hinrichs
Adult SS	Linda Williams
Pre-K SS	Jenny Tripses
Elementary SS	Connie Julien

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
Terrie Wronkiewicz	Custodian

Calendar

Today	
9:00 am	Studies/Adult SS
10:30 am	Worship Service
12:00 pm	Elders Meeting
12:30 pm	Jubilate Ringers
1:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir
7:00 pm	Private Group
Monday	
6:00 pm	Peoria Players
Tuesday	
11:00 am	Growth Meeting
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	Quiltspiration
Next Sunday	
9:00 am	Studies/Adult SS
10:30 am	Worship Service
11:45am	Worship Meeting
12:30 pm	Jubilate Ringers
1:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir
7:00 pm	Private Group



November 3, 2024  
10:30am

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Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

† indicates standing, if able

Today's Meditation

*To be saints is not a privilege for the few, but a vocation for everyone.*

-Pope Francis

†Fellowship of the Church

*(Please sign in online or on the red pad in your pew)*

We want to extend a special welcome to our first-time visitors. You are invited to stop at the Greeter's Table before you leave to receive more information about our church

Music for Meditation -

*For All the Saints* - Williams/Wagner

*Please use the music and the moment of silence to prepare your hearts and minds for worship.*

A Moment of Silence

†Opening Hymn

*For All the Saints*

#637

†Call to Worship

*Leader: I will proclaim your greatness, my God and King; I will thank you forever and ever.*

**People: The Lord is great and is to be highly praised; God's greatness is beyond understanding.**

*Leader: What you have done will be praised from one generation to the next; they will proclaim your mighty acts.*

**People: They will tell about all your goodness and sing about your kindness.**

†Opening Prayer

*Leader: Let us pray together...*

**All: Loving God, we gather as your people to praise you with our hearts, our voices, and our lives. You lead and inspire us, O Lord, and we give you thanks. Draw close to us as we draw close to you. Fill us with your goodness and grace that we may walk in your ways and give glory and honor to you. This we pray in the name of Jesus, who also taught us to pray saying...**

The Lord's Prayer may be found in the hymnal #307

†Vision Response

*We Call Ourselves Disciples*

vs. 4

#357

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 12:1-3

*This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

Children's Message

Hannah Fitch

Special Music

Jubilate Ringers

*I Sing a Song of the Saints of God*

Douglas E. Wagner

A Time of Remembrance

Sermon

Deann Anderson

So Great a Cloud of Witnesses

†Hymn of Commitment

*Find Us Faithful*

on screen

Deann Anderson, Laura Buckley, Adam Woods - verses

congregation - choruses

A Time of Prayer

*Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

Communion Hymn

*In the Garden*

#227

The Lord's Supper

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

*Thy Will Be Done* - Southbridge

Consecration of the Permanent Fund

Offering Statement

Tithes & Offerings

*I Sing a Song of the Saints of God* - Hopkins/Smith

*If you are able, please come forward at this time to place your offering in the plate in front of the communion table.*

†Doxology

#46

†Dedication of Offering

†Benediction

†Congregational Response

*Rejoice in God's Saints* vs. 4

#476

Postlude

*With the Saints in Glory Shining* - Broughton

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 in the pews 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. If you want your prayer concern shared via the prayer chain, please indicate that on your form.

• Our sound system is equipped with a hearing assistance technology system. Pick up a receiver at the sound booth prior to worship. After the service, please return the receiver to the sound booth.

• Bible Study ~ Wednesday's at 10:30 a.m. with Hank. We are studying the Book of Daniel.

• Sunday Morning Study ~ November: Linda Williams is leading a study called "A Life of Giving Thanks".

• Disciple Women ~ November 12th at 12 p.m. They will be hearing about South Side Mission. Bring a lunch and join us. Sign up at the info desk or in the app.

• Tasting Peoria ~ November 14th at 6 p.m. We will be going to the Burger Barge, 123 Meadow Ave, East Peoria, IL 61611. Sign up at the info desk or in the app.

• Book Club ~ October 28th at 6 p.m. The book is "The Testament" by John Grisham. We will meet at the home of Elizabeth Carrico, 1141 County Rd 1300 N, Metamora, IL 61548. Sign up at the info desk or in the app.

• Movie Night ~ November 21st at 6 p.m. The movie is "Mrs Palfrey at the Claremont". Sign up at the info desk or in the app.

• Holiday Potluck ~ December 1st after the Worship Service. The Peoria Area Civic Chorale will be singing for us. Sign up at the information desk or online if you can help with prep and/or cleanup. Bring your own tableware to reduce waste.

• Christmas Decorating ~ Join us immediately following the worship service on Sunday, November 24th, to decorate our beautiful building for the holiday season! Sign up in the church app or at the Information Desk. The more the merrier!