# Ministering Today

Presiding Elder Roger Baker Elders Linda Rex Beth Smittkamp Deacons Chancel Beth Reynolds Head Laura Búckley Jan Cusac **Dana Powers** Lay Reader Laura Cohen Greeters Debbie Presnell Geraldine Runkle Counters John & Lisa Best Adult SS Randy Williams Kathleen Wheeler Youth SS

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 Child Care Brandy Cox Diane Pfoff Office Manager Lynn Hutton Bookkeeper' Terrie Wronkiewicz Custodian

# Calendar

### **Today Adult Studies** 9:00 am 10:30 am Worship Service 12:00 pm January Potluck 12:30 pm Jubilate Ringers Sanctuary Choir 1:00 pm 4:30 pm Laity Service (Mosaic CC) **Private Group** 7:00 pm

### Monday

6:00 pm	Book Club (Offsite)
6:30 pm	Peoria Players

### Tuesday

5:00 pm	PACC
6:30 pm	Peoria Players
6:30 pm	Cluster Meeting (Offsite)

### Wednesday

10:30 am	Bible Study
5:00 pm	Dungeons & Dragons
6:30 pm	Peoria Players

### **Thursday**

6:00 pm	Movie Night (rescheduled)
6:30 pm	Peoria Players

### Friday

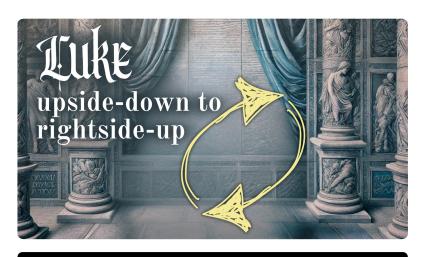
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### Saturday

7:00 am Private Group

## **Next Sunday**

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9:00 am	Adult Studies
10:30 am	Worship Service
12:00 pm	<b>Elders Meeting</b>
12:30 pm	Jubilate Ringers
1:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir
7:00 pm	Private Group



January 26, 2025 10:30am

# First Christian Church



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### Third Sunday After Epiphany

+ indicates standing, if able

### Today's Meditation

In Luke 6:17–26, Jesus is envisioning a world far different from this one, a world in which the values of this world will be replaced by a different set of values.

### †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

Jesus Shall Reign - Hatton/Price Please use the music and the moment of silence to prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

### A Moment of Silence

†Opening Hymn

Come, Christians, Join to Sing #90

### †Call to Worship

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God

People: May our worship reflect God's glory.

Leader: The firmament proclaims God's handiwork.

People: May we see each other as the handiwork of God.

Leader: Let our prayer and praise, our singing and proclamation project the love of God.

People: We join with Christians around the world as we lift our praises to the Holy One.

## †Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray together...

All: O God, during this time of worship, may we be fed in body and soul. As we sing and pray, as we break the bread and pour the cup, may your Spirit fall upon us, and through this time, may we be refreshed, anointed, and empowered. And when our time of worship is ended, send us back out into the world to proclaim the good news of your love. We pray this in the name of Jesus, our Rock and Redeemer, our Teacher and Guide, in whom we find the path that leads to you. And together we now sing the prayer that Jesus taught us...

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

Scripture Reading Luke 6:17-26

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

Children's Message

Hannah Fitch

Special Music
Sweet Hour of Prayer

Jubilate Ringers arr. Linda R. Lamb

### Service of Installation and Ordination

Sermon Hank Anderson

Luke: Stories That Transform Upside-Down to Rightside-Up

**†Hymn of Commitment** 

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

#576

A Time of Prayer

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Communion Hymn

Take Our Bread

#413

The Lord's Supper

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

Songs of Hope - arr. Smith

Offering Statement

Tithes & Offerings

Someone's Praying, Lord - arr. Wagner 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

God, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing vs. 1 #439

Postlude

Little Chaconne - Hamilton

## 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.
- Sunday Morning Study ~ Deann Anderson will be leading a study in February called "The Story of Joseph (Genesis 37-50) through Four Lenses: Favoritism, Adversity, Overcoming, and Providence." This class meets in the Community Room, Sunday mornings at 9am
- Bible Study ~ Wednesday's at 10:30 a.m. with Hank.
   We have started a study of Paul's Letter to the Romans, but it is not too late to join us.
- January Potluck ~ TODAY after the Worship Service. Sign up at the information desk or online if you can help with prep and/or cleanup. Bring your own tableware to reduce waste.
- Book Club ~ January 27th at 6 p.m. The book is "Project Hail Mary" by Andy Weir. We will meet at the home of Marilyn Wood; please reach out to Marilyn or the office for the address. Sign up at the info desk or in the app.
- Disciple Women ~ February 11th at 12 p.m. The group will be painting pottery with guest artist Susie Ryan. Sign up at the info desk or in the app.
- Tasting Peoria ~ February 13th at 6 p.m. We will be going to Rhythm Kitchen, 305 Southwest Water Street, Peoria, IL 61602. Sign up at the info desk or in the app.
- Movie Night ~ February 27th at 6 p.m. The movie is "To Kill a Mockingbird". Sign up at the info desk or in the app.