Don't Forget...

Stewardship - Monday @ 6:15pm Administrative Board - Monday @ 7pm



Book Club

Thursday @ 6pm home of Margaret Goulden





Check out our full calendar of events here



Please always check with the church office if you are wanting to use the church building. Thank you!

Faith at Home

Every Call Begins Somewhere

As the Father has sent me, so I send you. John 20:21

Some calls begin in a pulpit. Others begin at the kitchen sink, in a hospital room, behind a classroom desk, or on a church trip no one expected to be lifechanging. We are all called. But no two callings are the same.

God's call doesn't always arrive as a lightning bolt. Sometimes it grows slowly; nurtured through prayer, community, service, and encouragement from others. It's often shaped in quiet, familiar spaces - in the places we call home.

Today we celebrate the sacred act of commissioning; recognizing and blessing someone's call to ministry. But this moment also reminds us that every disciple is called, not just a few.

The question isn't whether we're called. The question is: To what? To show up. To serve. To love. To lead. To learn. To do justice. To speak truth. To live with purpose.

This Week's Practice: Make the Table Sacred

- Think back: Who helped you believe you had something to offer? What small nudge might God be giving you now?
- Pay attention to what brings you alive, and what the world seems to need.
- Bless someone else's gifts. Sometimes people need help recognizing their own call.

Before You Go...

Your calling won't look like anyone else's. It's not supposed to. But if it leads you toward love - toward healing, courage, or truth - then it's holy.

And it's worth saying yes.



June 15, 2025 10:30am

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First Sunday After Pentecost

+ indicates standing, if able

Today's Meditation

The New Testament pictures the church as an everymember ministry. The "priesthood of all believers" is not just a Reformation watchword, but a biblical ideal.

-Greg Ogden

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†Fellowship of the Church

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

Father's Day Tribute

Music for Meditation

This Is My Father's World - Smith
Please use the music and the moment of silence to prepare
your hearts and minds for worship.

A Moment of Silence

†Opening Hymn

This Is My Father's World

†Call to Worship

Leader: This new day is fresh with possibility to understand the Living Christ.

People: With engaged minds, let us ponder.

Leader: To be moved by the Living Christ,

People: With compassionate hearts, let us feel;

Leader: To respond to the Living Christ, People: With solid devotion, let us follow;

Leader: To serve the Living Christ,

People: With humble intention, let us act;

Leader: To praise the Living Christ,

People: With strong voices, let us sing!

†Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray together...

All: Ever-present God, we gather this morning with open hearts and open hands ready to receive and respond. This day feels full of possibility because You are still speaking, still moving, still calling us forward. You call each of us, where we are and as we are, to be part of Your work of love, justice, and healing in the world. Together, we are the body. Together, we are the church. Together, we say yes. So center us now, and help us show up fully for You, for each other, and for this moment. All this we pray in the name of Jesus who taught us to pray saying...

†Vision Response

We Call Ourselves Disciples vs 4

Scripture Reading Philippians 1:3–11

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

Children's Message

Emily Williams

Special Music Light of the World Hannah Fitch, Katie Fitch

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Service of Commissioning

Sermon Hank Anderson, Mason Fitch
For the Sake of the Call

†Hymn of Commitment

#453

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

A Time of Prayer

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Communion Hymn

#486

The Voice of Jesus Calls His People

The Lord's Supper

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

Communion - Martin

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.

Children of the Heavenly Father - Lau

†Doxology

#46

#635

+Dedication of Offering

+Benediction

†Congregational Response

Faith of Our Fathers vs 1

Postlude

#357

Faith of Our Fathers - Martin

Ministering Today

Elders

Linda Rex
Beth Smittkamp

Deacons
Chancel
Head

Head

Laura Buckley
Victoria Truelove
Oliver Truelove
Dana Powers

Lay Reader Greeters

Presiding Elder

Larry Weber Judy Leeper Monica Hinrichs

Mike Buckley

Counters John & Lisa Best

Adult SS Youth SS Preschool Frank Wheeler Kathleen Wheeler Deann Anderson

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

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