

## Throughout the Church...

Monthly Potluck - Today @ 12pm  
Cluster Lenten Service (Sunnyland CC)  
- Today @ 4pm  
Cluster Meeting - Tuesday @ 6:30pm  
Bible Study - Wednesday @ 10:30am  
Movie Night - Thursday @ 6pm  
Elder's Meeting - Next Sunday @ 12pm  
Cluster Lenten Service (FCC Peoria)  
- Next Sunday @ 4pm



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calendar of events here

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

We are an open and affirming congregation that celebrates all people as sacred creations of a loving God. We embrace the fullness of human diversity - across orientations, identities, experiences, and backgrounds - and seek to follow Christ by offering love, compassion, and acceptance to all. In that spirit, we welcome everyone to participate fully in the life, leadership, and ministry of our church.

# REBUILDING from the **Dust** Lent & Easter 2026

Event	Date	Location
Ash Wednesday	FEBRUARY 18TH	11:30 AM - GLEN OAK CC 6PM - FIRST CHRISTIAN
Busting Off our Coats	MARCH 29TH	PALM SUNDAY
In the Face of Temptation	FEBRUARY 22ND	
Maundy Thursday	APRIL 2ND	6PM - FIRST CHRISTIAN
Loving on the Margins	MARCH 1ST	
Stations of the Cross	APRIL 3RD	12PM - MOSAIC CC
Letting Go to Love	MARCH 8TH	
Good Friday	APRIL 3RD	6PM - GLEN OAK CC
When Love Feels Lost	MARCH 15TH	
When Love Saves	MARCH 22ND	
New Creation New Earth	APRIL 5TH	FIRST CHRISTIAN



February 22, 2026  
10:30am

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Today’s Meditation

We gain the strength of the temptation we resist.

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

†Please Stand If You Are Able

Fellowship of the Church

Minute for Mission

Week of Compassion

Music for Meditation

Adoramus Te - Palestrina/Leatherman

†Call to Worship

One: In various ways in days of old, God spoke to our ancestors by way of the prophets

Many: But in later days, God has spoken to us through Jesus the Christ

One: We have not a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses

Many: But one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin

One: Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in times of need

All: Let us offer to God our worship, with reverence and awe; for God raised us from the dust, and into us breathed the breath of life.

†Opening Hymn

Rejoice, You Pure in Heart

#15

†Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray together...

All: Merciful God, what a healing balm it is to bring you our secrets, our discouragements, and our deepest fears - that you might hear us, know us, forgive us, and renew our spirits. We confess our reluctance to always be guided by your Holy Spirit. We confess our quickness to assign blame and our slowness to accept responsibility. May the season of Lent be the invitation we need to set out on a quest to discover you, O God. We pray remembering the prayer Jesus taught so long ago, still relevant, still needed, praying: Our Father/Creator...

†Vision Response

We Call Ourselves Disciples - words on screen

#357

Children’s Message

Rev. Mason Fitch

Special Music

Take My Life and Let It Be

Jubilate Ringers

arr. Ron Mallory

Tithes & Offerings

More Love to Thee, O Christ - Hayes/Wagner

†Doxology

#46

Scripture Reading

Matthew 4:1-11

The Word of God, for the people of God, thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Adam Bradley

In the Face of Temptation

†Hymn of Invitation

Lift Every Voice and Sing vs 1 & 3

#631

A Time of Prayer

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

The Lord’s Supper

Invitation to Christ’s Table

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

Communion Hymn

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

#587

Elder Meditation & Blessing

Words of Institution

†Congregational Response


Lead Me, Guide Me

#583

†Benediction

Postlude

Celebration on “Warrenton” - arr. Wagner



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Serving in Worship Today

Elders

Kathleen Wheeler

Frank Wheeler

Deacons

Chancel Head

Monica Hinrichs

Steve Hinrichs

Jan Cusac

Chris Carrico

Lay Reader

Acolyte

Tech

Greeters

Kevin Wolfe

Natalie Woods

Debra Kreps

Lindsey Hinshaw

Peter Hinshaw

Counters

Roger & Vickie Baker

Sunday School

Adult Classes

The Open Table

Responders Class

Youth Classes

Growing Disciples (5th-8th)

Friends with Jesus (Pre-k)

Frank Wheeler

Becky Sisk

Randy Williams

Linda Rex

Staff

Rev. Adam Bradley

Rev. Mason Fitch

Heather Woods

Brian Woods

Brandy Ganschow

Diane Pfoff

Lynn Hutton

Kyle Grupe

Lead Pastor

Pastor

Music Ministry Coordinator

Organist

Child Care

Office Manager

Bookkeeper

Custodian