

Don't Forget...

Mission & Service Committee Meeting **TODAY** after worship

Faith in Justice - Tuesday @ 2pm
Personnel Meeting - Tuesday @ 6pm
MLT Meeting - Saturday @ 10:30am



Tasting Peoria

Thursday @ 6pm
1227 SW Adams St



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

When the Spirit Fills Small Spaces

They were all together in one place... and the Spirit filled the whole house. – Acts 2:1-2

Pentecost didn't start in a sanctuary. It started in a house; a simple upstairs room, filled with ordinary people praying and waiting. And that's where the Spirit showed up.

It didn't ask for permission.
It filled the space.
It filled them.

The room shook, the wind blew, and suddenly what had been private became public. The Church was born; not in stained glass, but in a home.

Pentecost reminds us:
The Spirit doesn't need perfect conditions. It meets us in kitchens and car rides, on front porches and back steps. It begins where we are, and sends us where we're needed.

Your home is not too small for God to move.

This Week's Practice: Make the Table Sacred

- Choose a spot in your home and light a candle each day this week.
- Sit in stillness for a minute. Ask: *What does the Spirit want to stir in me today?*
- Listen for where you might speak up, reach out, or act in love even in a small way.

Before You Go...

The Spirit doesn't wait for perfection. It just waits for space. So crack open the window. Light the candle. And trust that the fire that started the Church can still burn bright - **right where you are.**



June 8, 2025
10:30am

First Christian Church



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Pentecost Sunday

† indicates standing, if able

Today’s Meditation
The Holy Spirit is a healing spirit. When the Holy Spirit is present, anything is possible.
-Reinhard Bonnke

- †Fellowship of the Church
(Please sign in online or on the red pad in your pew)
- Music for Meditation
Holy Spirit, Faithful Guide - Wells/Hughes
Please use the music and the moment of silence to prepare your hearts and minds for worship.
- A Moment of Silence
- †Opening Hymn #237
On Pentecost They Gathered
- †Call to Worship
Leader: The Spirit descends like a dove, bringing peace to unite the world in a just and caring community.
People: The Spirit comes like a breath, bringing life to renew the people of God.
Leader: The Spirit spreads like fire, bringing energy for witnessing to the love of God.
People: Spirit of the living God, come to us and transform our lives by your power.
- †Opening Prayer
Leader: Let us pray together...
All: Almighty God, you give life and power to your church through the gift of your Spirit. Inspire us to bear witness to our living Lord. Quicken us to a recognition of your presence. Create in us grateful hearts. Challenge our minds with your wisdom. Encourage us with a heightened vision and hope. This we pray in the name of your Son Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray. . .
- †Vision Response #357
We Call Ourselves Disciples vs 4

- Scripture Reading Acts 2:1-13
This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.
- Children’s Message Hannah Fitch
- Pentecost Litany Chere Peters
- Special Music Praise Team
Refiner’s Fire Brian Doerksen
- Sermon Hank Anderson
Wind, Fire, and Power
- †Hymn of Commitment #254
Breath on Me, Breath of God
- A Time of Prayer
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.
- Communion Hymn #263
Surely the Presence of the Lord
- The Lord’s Supper
All: Here we celebrate that all people are welcome at this table of God’s grace.
Come, Holy Spirit, Our Souls Inspire - Maurus/Uppercue
- 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.
Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart - Hayes/Wagner
- †Doxology #46
- †Dedication of Offering
- †Benediction
- †Congregational Response #259
Spirit of the Living God
- Postlude
Spirit of the Living God! - Jordan

Ministering Today

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| Presiding Elder | Becky Sisk |
| Elders | Roger Baker |
| | Mike Buckley |
| Deacons | |
| Chancel Head | Beth Reynolds |
| | Laura Buckley |
| | Victoria Truelove |
| | Oliver Truelove |
| | Dana Powers |
| Lay Reader | Larry Weber |
| Greeters | Judy Leeper |
| | Monica Hinrichs |
| Counters | Steve & Monica Hinrichs |
| Adult SS | Frank Wheeler |
| Youth SS | Kathleen Wheeler |
| Preschool | Chere Peters |

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

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| 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 |