

MINISTERING IN WORSHIP . . .

Presiding Elder ~ Dave Sinn  
Elders ~ Carmen Nicoll & Sandy Surface  
Lay Reader ~ Becky Sisk  
Greeters ~ Ralph & Ilene Tegg  
Acolyte ~ Natalie Woods  
Deacons  
    Chancel – Joe Rex  
        \*Laura Buckley  
    John Best, Oliver Truelove & Victoria Truelove  
\* = Head Deacon **(Please count attendance)**  
Counters ~ Steve West & Ralph Tegg  
Friends of Jesus ~ Linda Rex  
Sunday School/Grades 1-8 ~ Kathleen Wheeler



OUR WELCOMING STATEMENT

*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.*

Ministry Programming Staff:  
Hank Anderson, Interim Minister  
Heather Woods, Coordinator of Music Ministries  
Brian Woods, Organist  
Mason Fitch, Social Media Coordinator  
Brandy Cox, Child-Care

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Calendar

**TODAY – All Saints Sunday**  
9:00 a.m. - Studies/Adult SS  
10:30 a.m. - Worship Service (S)  
11:45 a.m. - Elders Meeting (105)  
12:30 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers (S)  
1:00 p.m. - Sanctuary Choir (S)  
1:00 p.m. - Racial Wealth Gap Learning (FH)  
7:00 p.m. - Private Group (Landes) (110)

MONDAY

**TUESDAY**  
6:00 p.m. - PACC Rehearsal (S/N/FH)

**WEDNESDAY**  
10:30 a.m. - Bible Study (110)

THURSDAY

**FRIDAY**  
6:00 p.m. - Tamil School (Classrooms)

**SATURDAY – Veterans Day**  
7:00 a.m. - Private Group (Landes) (110)

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November 05, 2023

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Founded in 1845



<sup>†</sup>indicates standing, if able

*Not that I was ever in need, for I have learned how to be content with whatever I have.*  
- Philippians 4:11

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

Larry Weber

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

## A Moment of Silence

#637

*Leader: God was with the people of Israel when they left Egypt.*

*Leader: God gave the people of Israel hope as they traveled through the desert.*

*Leader: God is faithful to people of all times and all places.*

**People: Let us worship the Lord.**

*Leader: Let us pray together...*

**ALL: O God, our guide and our protector, as we gather today, open our minds and souls and hearts, that we may hear the gentle direction of your spirit in our lives. Help us follow you, so that we may dwell with you forever. We lift this prayer to you in the name of the one who taught us to pray... Our Father...**

(The Lord's prayer may be found in the hymnal - #307)

#36

## Time of Remembrance

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

Hannah Fitch

## Jubilate Ringers

*With All the Saints Triumphant* – Dan R Edwards

Hank Anderson

vss. 1,2,4 #601

## A Time of Prayer

#227

## The Lord's Supper – *Communion in Christ* – Ritter

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

# Offering Statement

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

#46

### <sup>†</sup>Dedication of Offering

<sup>†</sup>Benediction

vs. 4 #476

<sup>†</sup>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 with the bread sealed in clear plastic on top of the foil lid for the juice. 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. They can be put in the offering plate, hung on the prayer wall in the lounge, or if you want to maintain confidentiality, hand 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 ~ Hank is leading the Bible Study on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. The study is on the “The Gospel According to Mark”.
- Sunday Morning Study ~ Jenny Tripses will be leading the class in November on “The Spirit of Ukraine.” Please sign up at the information desk if you would like to attend.
- Stuff a Bus Food Drive ~ October 20<sup>th</sup> – November 29<sup>th</sup>. This is to help provide food for the pantry at the Friendship House. They serve an average of 150,000 meals a year. Please check the information desk for a list of food items needed and fill the box.
- Disciple Women ~ November 14<sup>th</sup> at 12p.m. Rev. Parra will be speaking on the spirituality of Native Americans. Sign up at the information desk.
- Tasting Peoria ~ November 16<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. at the Lariat Steak House, 2232 W Glen, Peoria. If you would like to attend sign up at the information desk.
- Movie Night ~ November 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. The movie is “*Singing in the Rain*.” Sign up at the information desk if you would like to attend.
- Book Club ~ November 27<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at Margaret Goulden’s home: 133 Eastwood Dr, East Peoria. The book is “*The Thursday Murder Club*” by Richard Osman. Refreshments and snacks provided. Sign up at the information desk if you would like to attend.