# **Ministering Today**

Presiding Elder Elders Mike Buckley Kevin Wolfe Mason Fitch

Deacons

Chancel Head Adam Woods Joe Rex

Debbie Presnell Terrie Wronkiewicz

Lay Reader Greeters Liz White Jerry & Val Hornbacker

Counters

Steve & Monica Hinrichs

Adult SS Pre-K SS

**Elementary SS** 

Becky Sisk Deann Anderson

Deann Ander Laura Cohen

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 Heather Woods Brian Woods Mason Fitch Brandy Cox Interim Minister Music Ministry Coordinator Organist Digital Ministry Coordinator Child Care

### Calendar

**Today** 

9:00am Studies/Adult SS 10:30 am Worship Service 12:30pm Jubilate Ringers 1:00pm Sanctuary Choir

2:15pm IGSMA District 2 Meeting

7:00 pm Private Group

Monday

7:00pm Administrative Board

Tuesday

6:00 pm PACC

6:30pm Peoria Players

Wednesday

10:30 am Bible Study

6:15pm Search Committee 6:30 pm Peoria Players

**Thursday** 

6:00pm Tasting Peoria 6:30 pm Peoria Players

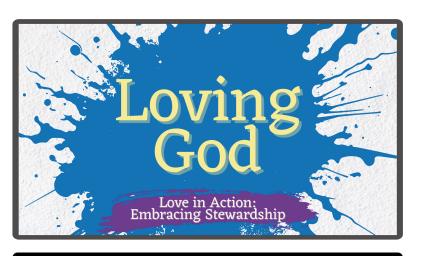
Friday:30 pm Tamil School

Saturday

7:00 am Private Group

**Next Sunday** 

9:00am Studies/Adult SS
10:30 am Worship Service
12:30pm Jubilate Ringers
1pm Sanctuary Choir
1:30pm Peoria Players
7:00 pm Private Group



**September 15, 2024** 10:30am

# First Christian Church



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#### Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

10:30am

September 15, 2024 + indicates standing, if able

### **Today's Meditation**

The true measure of loving God is to love (God) without measure.

-Bernard of Clairvaux

#### †Fellowship of the Church

(Please sign in online or on the rad 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 -

Andante in F -Heller

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

A Moment of Silence

†Opening Hymn

God of Grace and God of Glory #464

†Call to Worship

Leader: We are called to love the Lord our God

People: We are called to love with all our heart and soul

Leader: We are called to love with all our mind

and strength

People: And we are called to love our neighbor as ourselves.

Leader: Come, let us show our love for God and share God's love in this time of worship.

†Vision Response

We Call Ourselves Disciples vs. 4 #357

†Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray together...

All: Holy God, we gather for worship as a people desiring to love you with all our hearts and souls, with all our might. In the rush of our day to day lives, however, it is so easy for us to lose our focus on you. So, we come before you, asking that you would make yourself known to us. Help us to always recognize your presence. We ask that you continue to challenge us, inspire us, and make us into the people you want us to be. We pray this in the name of Jesus, who taught us to pray...

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

Scripture Reading Deuteronomy 6:4-9

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

Children's Message Hannah Fitch

Special Music Praise Team

Breathe -Marie Barnett

Sermon Hank Anderson

Love In Action: Loving God

†Hymn of Commitment -

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart vss. 1,4 #265

A Time of Prayer

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Communion Hymn

Amazing Grace #546

#46

#610

The Lord's Supper

Offering Statement

Contemplation - Nordman

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

Tithes & Offerings

Litany - Schubert

If you are able, please come forward at this time to place your offering in the plate in front of the communion table.

†Doxology

**Dedication of Offering** 

+Benediction

+Congregational Response

Living for Jesus vs. 1

Postlude - All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name! - Holden

### 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, 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 ~ Wednesday's at 10:30 a.m. with Hank. The study is on the Book of Mark.
- Sunday Morning Study ~ September: We are using Adam Hamilton's study entitled "Wrestling with Doubt" led by Becky Sisk.
- Disciple Women ~ October 8th at 12 p.m. They will be bagging Halloween Candy. Bring a lunch and join us. Sign up at the information desk or online.
- Tasting Peoria ~ September 19th at 6 p.m. We will be going to Obed & Isaac's, 321 NE Madison Ave. Please sign up at the information desk or online.
- Book Club ~ September 23rd at 6 p.m. The book is "The Art of Racing in the Rain" by Garth Stein. We will meet at the home of Sandy Surface, 643 Mickel Pkwy, Washington. Sign up at the information desk or online.
- Movie Night ~ September 26th at 6 p.m. The movie is "The Music Man". Sign up at the information desk or online.
- Potluck ~ September 29th 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.
- Illinois Valley Cluster 5K Mission Dash ~ September 21st at 10 a.m. at the Rock Island Trail. The funds raised will go to hospital beds in the DR Congo. Registration forms are on the information desk.