

Ministering Today

Presiding Elder	Becky Sisk
Elders	Carmen Nicoll
	Sandy Surface
Deacons	
Chancel Head	Adam Woods
	Joe Rex
	Debbie Presnell
	Terrie Wronkiewicz
Lay Reader	Terrie Wronkiewicz
Greeters	Kathy Fenton
Counters	Jim & Beth
	Smittkamp
Adult SS	Becky Sisk
Pre-K SS	Linda Rex
Elementary SS	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	Interim Minister
Heather Woods	Music Ministry Coordinator
Brian Woods	Organist
Mason Fitch	Digital Ministry Coordinator
Brandy Cox	Child Care

Calendar

Today	
9:00am	Studies/Adult SS
10:30 am	Worship Service
12:30pm	Jubilate Ringers
1:00pm	Sanctuary Choir
1:30pm	Peoria Players
7:00 pm	Private Group
Monday	
6:00pm	Book Club
6:30pm	Peoria Players
Tuesday	
10:30am	Growth Meeting
6:00 pm	PACC
6:30pm	Peoria Players
6:30pm	IVC Cluster Meeting
Wednesday	
10:30 am	Bible Study
6:30 pm	Peoria Players
Thursday	
6:00pm	Movie Night
6:30 pm	Peoria Players
Friday	
5:30 pm	Tamil School
Saturday	
7:00 am	Private Group
Next Sunday	
9:00am	Studies/Adult SS
10:30 am	Outdoor Worship Service
12:00pm	EOM Potluck
12:30pm	Jubilate Ringers
1:00pm	Sanctuary Choir
7:00 pm	Private Group



September 22, 2024  
10:30am

First Christian Church



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Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

† indicates standing, if able

Today's Meditation

Love God, love your neighbors, and do stuff!

-Bob Goff

†Fellowship of the Church

(Please sign in online or on the red 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

Minute For Mission

Larry Weber & Adam Woods

Music for Meditation -

The Paths of Loving Kindness -Shea

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

A Moment of Silence

†Opening Hymn

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

#613

†Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus offers a new-old commandment, that we should love one another.

People: In response to God's love for us, we are called to love.

Leader: And it is in our love for one another that the world will know whom we worship.

People: As people of God, we seek to fulfill this new commandment.

†Vision Response

We Call Ourselves Disciples

vs. 4

#357

†Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray together...

All: Loving, living God, be among us now. Show us your ways. Guide our steps. Live in us, that we may be people of love. Help us hear your words, challenging us to give you all the things that are yours. Help us remember that all we have are gifts from you, gifts to be shared in service and love. Holy One among us, help us be a people who receive your word with joy and live your message of love. We pray this in the name of the One who taught us to pray . . .

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

Scripture Reading

1 John 4:7-12

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

Children's Message

Hannah Fitch

Special Music

Joshua

Larry Weber & Adam Woods

arr. John F. Wilson

Sermon

Love In Action: Loving People

Hank Anderson

†Hymn of Commitment -

I Bind My Heart This Tide

#350

A Time of Prayer

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Communion Hymn

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

#197

The Lord's Supper

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

A Remembrance - Dixon

Offering Statement

Tithes & Offerings

A Song of Hope - Ryan

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

†Doxology

#46

Dedication of Offering

†Benediction

†Congregational Response

My Tribute

#39

Postlude -

Postlude in B-flat - Simper/Ryan

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. Starting on October 9th, we will study the Book of Daniel.

• 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 ~ October 10th at 6 p.m. We will be going to the Fox Pub, 7800 N Sommer St. 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.

• Trunk or Treat ~ This annual event is always fun and such a great service to our community by providing a good meal and a safe place to trick or treat. If you are able to help in any way, please sign up on the app.