

Ministering Today

Presiding Elder	Mason Fitch
Elders	Dave Sinn
	Connie Sinn
Deacons	
Chancel Head	Laura Cohen
	Jake Cohen
	Peter Hinshaw
	Lindsey Hinshaw
	Levi Holloway
Lay Reader	Kate Spielman
Greeters	Jake Cohen
	Laura Cohen
Counters	Steve & Monica
	Hinrichs

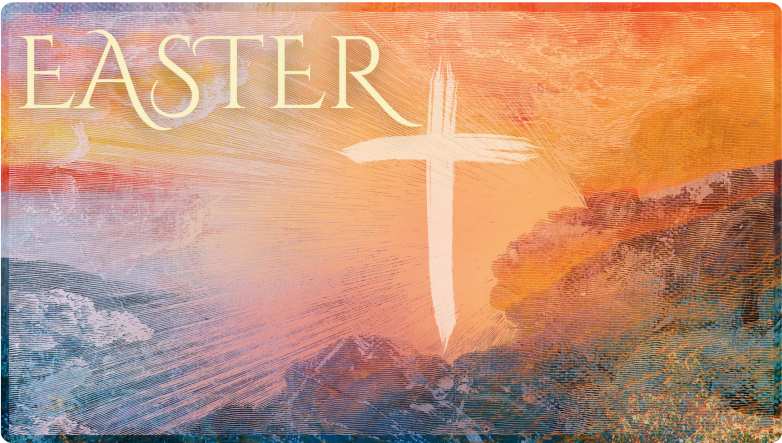
First Christian Church Peoria, as an open and affirming church, believes that all people are sacred creations of a loving God. We affirm the diversity that exists among us. We strive to answer the call of Christ by extending his love, compassion, and acceptance to all. In that spirit we open our family 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

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
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Calendar

Today	
8:30 am	Easter Breakfast
10:30 am	Worship Service
7:00 pm	Private Group
Monday	
6:15 pm	Stewardship Meeting
7:00 pm	Administrative Board
Tuesday	
6:00 pm	PACC
6:30 pm	Cluster Meeting
Wednesday	
10:30 am	Bible Study
5:00 pm	Dungeons & Dragons
Thursday	
6:00 pm	Movie Night
6:00 pm	Physical Safety Meeting
Friday	
6:00 pm	Tamil School
Saturday	
7:00 am	Private Group
9:00 am	PlayPen Sports
2:00 pm	Snowden Funeral
Next Sunday	
9:00 am	Adult Studies
10:30 am	Worship Service
12:00 pm	Potluck
12:30 pm	Jubilate Ringers
1:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir
7:00 pm	Private Group



April 20, 2025  
10:30am

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Easter Sunday

† indicates standing, if able

Today’s Meditation

Easter is a time when God turned the inevitability of death into the invincibility of life.

-Craig D. Lounsborough

†Fellowship of the Church

(Please sign in online or on the red pad in your pew)

Music for Meditation

Easter Fanfares - arr. Lau

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

A Moment of Silence

†Easter Affirmation

†Opening Hymn

#216

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

†Call to Worship

Leader: Christ is risen! The tomb is empty!

People: Let the good news be told throughout the earth.

Leader: Christ is risen, and the Lord is here.

People: We come into his presence with singing and joy.

Leader: Christ is risen, and life has overcome death.

People: We open our worship praising God who has worked wonders.

Leader: Christ is risen in glory and power forever.

All: Hosanna! Alleluia forever and ever!

†Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray together...

All: Almighty and ever-living God, we gather to marvel at the mystery of Christ’s resurrection. In boldness, you exalted the humble, empowering the weak. In strength, you snatched victory from the jaws of death. In love, you declared your crucified Son, the savior of the world. We celebrate this good news in an Easter festival of life. With you, we join in this gladsome day. We lift this prayer to you in the name of living Jesus and offer you the prayer Jesus taught us. . .Our Father...

†Easter Response

#222

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna! vs 1

Scripture Reading

Luke 24:1-7

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

Children’s Message

Hannah Fitch

Hymn

#224

Christ Arose! vss 1 & 3

Sermon

Hank Anderson

Savior: The Power of the Cross

Christ Victorious

†Hymn of Commitment

#234

Crown Him with Many Crowns

A Time of Prayer

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Communion Hymn

#227

In the Garden

The Lord’s Supper

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

I Know That My Redeemer Liveth - Filmore/Keeney

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.

That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright - arr. Leatherman

†Doxology

#46

†Dedication of Offering

†Benediction

†Special Music

Sanctuary Choir

Hallelujah Chorus

Handel/arr. Hopson

Aiden Craft & Jared Johnson, trumpets

Katie Fitch & Linda Williams, handbells

Darren Woods, timpani

Brian Woods, organ

Postlude

Crown Him Lord of All! - Ellor/Martin

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 on the welcome table and you can also fill out the form on the church app. The paper forms can be put in the offering plate, or hand it directly to the pastor.
- Our sound system is equipped with a hearing assistance technology system. Please see someone in the tech booth for more information or to use.
- Sunday Morning Study ~ In May/June/July, Frank Wheeler will be leading a study looking at the Gospel of John. All are welcome!
- Bible Study ~ Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. with Hank. We are studying Paul’s Letter to the Romans. Please join us anytime!
- Movie Night ~ April 24th at 6 p.m. The movie is “The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel”. Sign up at the info desk or in the app.
- April Potluck ~ April 27th after the Worship Service. Bring your own tableware to reduce waste. Please sign up in the app or at the information desk if you are able to help with setup or clean up.
- Book Club ~ May 1st at 6 p.m. The book is “We Solve Murders” by Richard Osman. Book Club will meet at the home of Elizabeth Carrico. If you need her address please speak with her or Diane in the church office.
- Disciple Women ~ May 13th at 12 p.m. The group will be going to Avanti’s. Sign up at the information desk or in the app so we know how many to make the reservation for!
- Tasting Peoria ~ May 8th at 6 p.m. We will be going to Thanh Lynh, 1209 W Main St, Peoria, IL 61606. Sign up at the info desk or in the app.