

Ministering Today

Presiding Elder	Kathleen Wheeler
Elders	Steve Peters
	Chere Peters
Deacons	
Chancel Head	Laura Cohen
	Jake Cohen
	Peter Hinshaw
	Lindsey Hinshaw
	Levi Holloway
Lay Reader	Larry Weber
Greeters	Jake Cohen
	Laura Cohen
Counters	John & Lisa Best
Adult SS	Justice Group
Youth SS	Be Gibson
Preschool	Linda Rex

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
Sung Kim	Custodian

Calendar

Today	
9:00 am	Adult Studies
10:30 am	Worship Service
12:00 pm	EOM Potluck
12:30 pm	Jubilate Ringers
1:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir
7:00 pm	Private Group
Monday	
6:00 pm	PACC
Wednesday	
10:30 am	Bible Study
5:00 pm	Dungeons & Dragons
Thursday	
1:00 pm	CWU Set Up
6:00 pm	Book Club
Friday	
8:00 am	Church Women United
6:00 pm	Tamil School
Saturday	
7:00 am	Private Group
9:00 am	PlayPen Sports
Next Sunday	
9:00 am	Adult Studies
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12:00 pm	Elders Meeting
12:30 pm	Jubilate Ringers
1:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir
7:00 pm	Private Group



April 27, 2025
10:30am

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Second Sunday of Easter

† indicates standing, if able

Today’s Meditation

Faith allows us to confidently walk with God into a future filled with joy; one that can become an extraordinary and amazing adventure.

-Mary C. Neal

†Fellowship of the Church

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

Music for Meditation

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

A Moment of Silence

†Opening Hymn

Crown Him with Many Crowns

#234

†Call to Worship

Leader: The path is familiar, yet today it holds new mystery.

People: Christ walks beside us, even when we do not know it.

Leader: In quiet conversation and shared bread, He is revealed.

People: Our hearts awaken to His presence.

Leader: Come, let us journey with wonder and holy expectation.

People: The risen Lord meets us on the road.

†Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray together...

All: Risen Christ, You meet us where we are: on the road, in our questions, in our everyday moments. Open our eyes to Your presence among us. Kindle our hearts with Your Word, and nourish our spirits as You break the bread of life. As we gather in Your name, fill us with wonder, stir our hope, and lead us again into resurrection life. This we pray as we sing the prayer Jesus taught us...

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

Scripture Reading

Luke 24:13-35

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

Children’s Message

Emily Williams

Special Music

Onward, Christian Soldiers

Jubilate Ringers

Bill Ingram

Sermon

Mason Fitch

The Waiting: A Post-Resurrection Tour
On the Road Again

†Hymn of Commitment

Ours the Journey

#458

A Time of Prayer

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Communion Hymn

Sweet Hour of Prayer vss 1 & 3

#570

The Lord’s Supper

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

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.

†Doxology

#46

†Dedication of Offering

†Benediction

†Congregational Response

Living for Jesus vs 1

#610

Postlude

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!
- April Potluck ~ Today after the Worship Service. Please join us, all are welcome!
- 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.
- Movie Night ~ May 22nd at 6 p.m. The movie is “Apollo 13”. Sign up at the info desk or in the app.