

Ministering Today

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| Presiding Elder | Kevin Wolfe |
| Elders | Frank Wheeler |
| | Kathleen Wheeler |
| Deacons | |
| Chancel Head | Adam Woods |
| | Joe Rex |
| | Debbie Presnell |
| | Terrie Wronkiewicz |
| Lay Reader | Connie Sinn |
| Greeters | Jerry & Val |
| | Hornbacker |
| Counters | John & Lisa |
| | Best |
| Adult SS | Frank Wheeler |
| Pre-K SS | Chere Peters |
| Elementary SS | Geraldine Runkle |

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

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

Calendar

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| Today | |
| 9:00am | Studies/Adult SS |
| 10:00am | Stewardship Appreciation |
| 10:30 am | Worship Service |
| 11:45 am | Worship Meeting |
| 11:45am | Outreach Meeting |
| 7:00 pm | Private Group |
| Monday | |
| 6:00pm | Personnel Meeting |
| 6:30pm | Peoria Players |
| Tuesday | |
| 10:30am | Faith In Justice Task Force |
| 12:00pm | Disciple Women |
| 6:00 pm | PACC |
| 6:30pm | Peoria Players |
| Wednesday | |
| 10:30 am | Bible Study |
| 6:30 pm | Peoria Players |
| Thursday | |
| 6:30 pm | Peoria Players |
| Friday | |
| 5:30 pm | Tamil |
| 7:30pm | Peoria Players |
| Saturday | |
| 7:00 am | Private Group |
| 10:30am | MLT Meeting |
| Next Sunday | |
| 9:00am | Studies/Adult SS |
| 10:30 am | Worship Service |
| 12:30pm | Jubilate Ringers |
| 1pm | Sanctuary Choir |
| 2:15pm | IGSMA District 2 Meeting |
| 7:00 pm | Private Group |



September 8, 2024
10:30am

First Christian Church



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Today’s Meditation

(Love) bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

-1 Corinthians 13:7 NRSV

†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 -

O Lord, Most Holy - Abt

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

A Moment of Silence

†Opening Hymn

The Church’s One Foundation vss. 1,2,4,5 #272

†Call to Worship

Leader: We come together this day to worship.

People: To praise the One who is the creator and sustainer of the universe.

Leader: We come to worship the One who creates expansive love, and calls us to love in the same way.

People: Together, we follow the One who is faithful and ever present.

†Vision Response

We Call Ourselves Disciples vs. 4 #357

†Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray together...

All: O God, we come before you today to worship and to hear of your love. May your love fill our hearts and strengthen us. As we reflect on the meaning of love, may we join with the apostle Paul in proclaiming that love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. We raise this time of worship into your hands and pray that you may be blessed through it, and through this time that we may be blessed as well. We lift this time to you 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 Corinthians 13:1-7

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

Children’s Message

Hannah Fitch

Special Music

Woods Family Brass Quartet

Alleluia

arr. Acton Ostling

Sermon

Hank Anderson

Love In Action: Love Is an Action

†Hymn of Commitment -

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian #589

A Time of Prayer

Communion Hymn

Become to Us the Living Bread #423

The Lord’s Supper

Lento Religioso - Nevin

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

Offering Statement

Tithes & Offerings

Offertory in E Flat - Tosti

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

O Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life #432

Postlude -

Sing Praise - Smith

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 ~ September 10th at 12 p.m. The speaker will be Linda Williams. 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.