

## Ministering Today

Presiding Elder Elders	Jenny Tripses Carmen Nicoll Sandy Surface
Deacons Chancel Head	Monica Hinrichs Steve Hinrichs Jan Cusac Cheryl Davis Tom Davis
Lay Reader Greeters	Connie Sinn Pete Clausen Jan Cusac
Counters	John & Lisa Best
Adult SS Youth SS Preschool	Deann Anderson Laura Buckley 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	Potluck
12:30 pm	Jubilate Ringers
1:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir
1:00 pm	PACC
7:00 pm	Private Group

### Monday

6:00 pm	Peoria Players
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### Tuesday

4:00 pm	PACC Youth Choir
6:00 pm	PACC
6:00 pm	Peoria Players
6:30 pm	Cluster Meeting

### Wednesday

10:30 am	Bible Study
5:00 pm	Dungeons & Dragons
6:00 pm	Peoria Players

### Thursday

6:00 pm	Movie Night
6:00 pm	Peoria Players

### Friday

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### Saturday

7:00 am	Private Group
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### Next Sunday

9:00 am	Adult Studies
10:30 am	Worship Service
12:00 pm	Elders Meeting
12:30 pm	Jubilate Ringers
1:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir
7:00 pm	Private Group



**February 23, 2025**  
**10:30am**

**First Christian Church**



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Seventh Sunday After Epiphany

† indicates standing, if able

Today's Meditation

If you don't have solid beliefs you cannot build a stable life. Beliefs are like the foundation of a building, and they are the foundation to build your life upon.

-Alfred A. Montapert

†Fellowship of the Church

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

Music for Meditation

Prelude on "Boylston" - Young

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: Come and worship Christ, the visible image of the invisible God, the firstborn of creation,

People: The eternal God: the one through whom all things were created, and in whom all things are held together.

Leader: This is our God! Let's worship together.

†Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray together...

Creator God, this is the day that you have made! This is the day you have called holy: a day of sabbath, a day of rest. Make us glad this morning to be in the house of the lord. Remove from us our distractions, our worries, and all stress and strain. And in its place, O God, give us more of you. Through this time of worship, we pray that you will fill us to brimming and overflowing with your 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

Luke 6:46-49

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

Children's Message

Hannah Fitch

Special Music

Come, Thou Almighty King

Jubilate Ringers

Michael Ryan

Sermon

Hank Anderson

Luke: Stories That Transform

Built to Last

†Hymn of Commitment

How Firm a Foundation vss. 1,2,5

#618

A Time of Prayer

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Communion Hymn

Break Thou the Bread of Life

#321

The Lord's Supper

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

Meditation on "Bread of Life" - Sherwin/Young

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.

God's Love Shine on You - Bach/Edwards

†Doxology

#46

†Dedication of Offering

†Benediction

†Congregational Response

O Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life

#432

Postlude

Faith the Cornerstone - Broughton

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, 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 ~ During the season of Lent, Hank will be leading a study looking at some of the different ways that Christians have understood the Cross. There is a book to along with this study, and the cost is \$10. If the cost is an issue, however, talk to Hank. Please sign up at the information desk or in the app

• Bible Study ~ Wednesday's at 10:30 a.m. with Hank. We are studying Paul's Letter to the Romans. Please join us anytime!

• Book Club ~ February 20th at 6 p.m. The book is "The Little Liar" by Mitch Albom. We will meet at the home of Margaret Goulden; please reach out to Margaret or the office for the address. Sign up at the info desk or in the app.

• February Potluck ~ TODAY 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.

• Movie Night ~ February 27th at 6 p.m. The movie is "To Kill a Mockingbird". Sign up at the info desk or in the app.

• Disciple Women ~ March 11th at 12 p.m. The group will be doing chair yoga with Melissa Wyeneth. Sign up at the information desk or in the app!

• Tasting Peoria ~ March 13th at 6 p.m. We will be going to Kelleher's Irish Pub, 619 Southwest Water Street, Peoria, IL 61602. Sign up at the info desk or in the app.