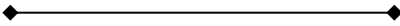


MINISTERING IN WORSHIP . . .

Presiding Elder ~ Mason Fitch
Elders ~ Kevin Wolfe & Mason Fitch
Greeters ~ Debbie Presnell & Geraldine Runkle
Acolyte ~ Natalie Woods
Deacons
 Chancel – Lisa Cheatham
 *John Best
 Kyle Cheatham
* = Head Deacon (**Please count attendance**)
Counters ~ Jim & Beth Smittkamp
Friends of Jesus ~ Jenny Tripses
Sunday School/Grades 1-8 ~ Cheryl Davis



OUR WELCOMING STATEMENT

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, Coordinator of Music Ministries
Brian Woods, Organist
Mason Fitch, Social Media Coordinator
Brandy Cox, Child-Care

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Calendar

TODAY

9:00 a.m. - Studies/Adult SS
10:30 a.m. - Worship Service (S)
12:30 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers (S)
1:00 p.m. - Sanctuary Choir (S)
4:30 p.m. - Cluster Lenten Service, FCC Creve Coeur
7:00 p.m. - Private Group (Landes) (110)

MONDAY

TUESDAY

6:00 p.m. - PACC (S/L/N)
6:30 p.m. - Cluster Meeting (Sunnyland)

WEDNESDAY

10:30 a.m. - Bible Study (110)

THURSDAY - MAUNDY THURSDAY

6:30 p.m. - Maundy Thursday Worship Service

FRIDAY - GOOD FRIDAY

6:30 p.m. - Good Friday Service at Glen Oak

SATURDAY

7:00 a.m. - Private Group (Landes) (110)
10:00 a.m. - Easter Celebration/Egg Hunt

NEXT SUNDAY - EASTER SUNDAY

8:30 a.m. - Easter Brunch (FH)
10:30 a.m. - Worship Service (S)
7:00 p.m. - Private Group (Landes) (110)



March 24, 2024

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Founded in 1845



Today’s Meditation

Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, “Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Mark 11:9 NRSV

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

Video

Music for Meditation – *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

– Teschner/Paxton

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

A Moment of Silence

[†]Call to Worship - John 12:12-16

Hank Anderson

[†]Gathering Praise – *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

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[†]Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray together...

ALL: God, this is the day that you have made: you have filled it with signs of your presence; your Spirit’s breath permeates every moment; your grace fills each experience; your promises move through time, pulling us toward hope. Receive our thanks. Receive our praise, through Christ our Lord for in his love we know your deep love, your faithfulness, and your grace. We pray this in the name of the one who taught us to pray... Our Father...

(The Lord’s prayer may be found in the hymnal #307)

Moment for the Children

Hannah Fitch

Offering Statement

Tithes and Offerings – *A Song in Lent* - Taylor

(If you are able, please come forward at this time to place your gift in the plate on the communion table.)

A Time of Prayer

Choir Cantata

“My Savior’s Love”

Composed & Arranged by: Mary McDonald & Rose M. Aspinall

Director: Heather Woods

Technology: Mason Fitch, Debra Kreps & Brian Woods

Narrator: Frank Wheeler

Musical Numbers

1. *Hallelujah! What a Savior!*
2. *Blessed One, Messiah!*
3. *Remember*

The Lord’s Supper – *God So Loved the World*

– Stainer/Leatherman

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

4. *Love Beyond Degree*
5. *This Must Be the Lamb*

Soprano

Deann Anderson

Cindy Bridges

Cheryl Davis

Deborah Springhart -West

Tenor

Steve West

Adam Woods

Alto

Ange Bertucci

Laura Buckley

Connie Julien

Natalie Woods

Bass

Jerry Hornbacker

Larry Weber

[†]Benediction

[†]Congregational Response – *Hosanna, Laud Hosanna* vs.3

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[†]Postlude – *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* – arr. Uppercue

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. They 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.
- Maundy Thursday Service ~ March 28th at 6:30 p.m. will be hosted here at First Christian Church
- Good Friday Service ~ March 29th at 6:30 p.m. will be hosted at Glen Oak Church.
- Easter Celebration ~ March 30th at 10 a.m. We will have story time, Easter egg hunt and refreshments. Check the information desk for help needed with this event or go online.
- Easter Brunch ~ March 31st at 8 a.m. We need a few food items and help with setup and cleanup. Please check the information desk sign up or online.
- Sunday Morning Study ~ Frank Wheeler will lead the class the first two Sundays in April on *Paul’s Ministry in Corinth*.
- Regional Disciple Women Event ~ April 13th at 9 a.m. The Ties that Bind with guest speaker Rev. Petie Mclean. We will be quilting. Registration forms are available at the information desk. Some help is needed for this event please check the information desk.
- Office help is needed April 1st through the 4th. Please check the information desk sign up or call the office.