

Ministering Today

Presiding Elder	Kevin Cheatham
Elders	Mike Buckley
	Becky Sisk
Deacons	
Chancel Head	Monica Hinrichs
	Steve Hinrichs
	Laura Buckley
	Adam Woods
Lay Reader	Becky Sisk
Greeters	Jake & Laura
	Cohen
Counters	Jim & Beth
	Smittkamp
Adult SS	Hank Anderson
Pre-K SS	Jenny Tripses
Elementary SS	Connie Julien

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	Music Ministry Coordinator
Brian Woods	Organist
Mason Fitch	Digital Ministry Coordinator
Brandy Cox	Child Care

Calendar

Today	
9:00 am	Studies/Adult SS
10:30 am	Worship Service
11:45 am	Congregational Meeting
12:00 pm	Elders Meeting
12:30 pm	Jubilate Ringers
1:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir
1:30 pm	Peoria Players
7:00 pm	Private Group
Monday	
6:30 pm	Peoria Players
Tuesday	
10:30 am	Faith In Justice
12:00 pm	Disciple Women
1:15 pm	Christian Education
6:00 pm	PACC
6:30 pm	Peoria Players
Wednesday	
10:30 am	Bible Study
6:00 pm	PACC Auditions
6:15 pm	Search Committee
6:30 pm	Peoria Players
Thursday	
6:00pm	Tasting Peoria
6:30 pm	Peoria Players
Friday	
5:30 pm	Tamil School
Saturday	
7:00 am	Private Group
9:00 am	Young Artist Competition
Next Sunday	
9:00 am	Studies/Adult SS
10:30 am	Worship Service
11:45 am	Worship Meeting
12:30 pm	Jubilate Ringers
1:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir
7:00 pm	Private Group



October 6, 2024
10:30am

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Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost			Bible Celebration		Video
† indicates standing, if able					
<div>Today's Meditation<div>The book to read is not the one which thinks for you, but the one which makes you think. No book in the world equals the Bible for that.</div><div>-Harper Lee</div></div>			Scripture Reading		Revelation 22:1-5
			This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.		
			Children's Message		Hannah Fitch
			Special Music		Sanctuary Choir
			Bread of Heaven		arr. Faye Lopez
			Sermon		Hank Anderson
			Unboxing the Bible: What Is the Bible?		
†Fellowship of the Church			†Hymn of Commitment		
(Please sign in online or on the red pad in your pew)			Standing on the Promises vss. 1 & 4		#552
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 -			A Time of Prayer		
Please use the music and the moment of silence to prepare your hearts and minds for worship.			Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.		
A Moment of Silence			Communion Hymn		
			One Bread, One Body		#393
†Opening Hymn			World Communion Sunday		Video
All Who Hunger Gather Gladly		#419			
†Call to Worship			The Lord's Supper		
Leader: Blessed be the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth!			All: Here we celebrate that all people are welcome at this table of God's grace.		
People: Praise be to God, the giver of many gifts!			Offering Statement		
Leader: Our help is in God, the One who calls us here.			Tithes & Offerings		
People: We come with songs of praise, and with prayers too deep for words.			If you are able, please come forward at this time to place your offering in the plate in front of the communion table.		
Leader: Blessed be the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth!			†Doxology		#46
People: Blessed be the Lord!			†Dedication of Offering		
†Opening Prayer			†Benediction		
Leader: Let us pray together...			†Congregational Response		
All: Christ Jesus, we come into your presence with songs of joy and shouts of gratitude. As you welcome us into your house, lift our burdens and receive our praise. Bless us with your grace and strengthen us with your mercy. Bind us together, that we may be at peace with one another and be strengthened to go forth in service to the world. We pray this in the name of the One who taught us to pray . . .			Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread		#398
The Lord's Prayer may be found in the hymnal #307			Postlude -		
†Vision Response					
We Call Ourselves Disciples vs. 4 #357					

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. 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. Starting on October 9th, we will study the Book of Daniel.
- Sunday Morning Study ~ October: Pastor Hank will lead a study that goes along with his sermon series "Unboxing the Bible".
- Disciple Women ~ October 8th at 12 p.m. They will be bagging Halloween Candy. Bring a lunch and join us. Sign up at the information desk or online.
- Tasting Peoria ~ October 10th at 6 p.m. We will be going to the Fox Pub, 7800 N Sommer St. Please sign up at the information desk or online.
- Book Club ~ October 28th at 6 p.m. The book is "The Testament" by John Grisham. We will meet at the home of Elizabeth Carrico, 1141 County Rd 1300 N, Metamora, IL 61548. Sign up at the information desk or online.
- Movie Night ~ October 24th at 6 p.m. The movie is "Little Women". Sign up at the information desk or online.
- Potluck ~ September 27th 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.
- Trunk or Treat ~ This annual event is always fun and such a great service to our community by providing a good meal and a safe place to trick or treat. If you are able to help in any way, please sign up on the app.