

Don't Forget...

Elder's Meeting - TODAY after worship
Faith In Justice - Monday @ 2pm
Christian Ed - Tuesday @ 1:15pm



Tasting Peoria

Thursday @ 6pm
8517 Knoxville Ave



Check out our full
calendar of events here



Please always check with the church office if you are
wanting to use the church building. Thank you!

A Beautiful Mess

When Curiosity Is Enough

*You will seek me and find me when you seek
me with all your heart.*
Jeremiah 29:13

Some faith starts loud. But some begins in a whisper,
in the dark, with more questions than answers.
Nicodemus didn't show up with confidence or clarity.
He came to Jesus at night, quietly, cautiously, with a
mind full of questions and a heart still unsure. And
Jesus met him there.

That's the beauty of a faith that begins in the shadows.
It doesn't have to be perfect or polished; just honest.
Sometimes the most courageous thing you can do is
ask.

Campfires are good places for that kind of faith.
They're not bright like spotlights. But they are warm.
And in their flickering light, stories get told, questions
get asked, and hearts start to soften.

Faith doesn't always start with certainty. Sometimes, it
starts with showing up and listening in the dark.

This Week's Practice: Follow Your Curiosity

- What questions are stirring in you these days?
Write one down. Sit with it.
- Read a story from Scripture you've never spent
time with. Don't try to "solve" it. Just notice.
- Make time for a quiet moment this week; outside,
near a window, or even by candlelight. Ask God
what you're being invited to learn.

Before You Go...

You don't need to have all the answers to
begin. You just need to be curious enough
to show up. That's where faith starts;
not in certainty, but in conversation.



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10:30am

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† indicates standing, if able

No special effect can ever come close to the power and impact of human imagination. A story, told or read around a campfire, will keep alive our time-honored traditions of oral history.

-Rick Steber

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

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

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Rejoice, You Pure in Heart

Leader: We gather like friends around a fire, drawn by light and warmth.

*Leader: Here, we make space for wonder, for silence,
for story.*

Leader: God meets us here, in the stillness and in the spark.

Leader: Let us pray together...

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We Call Ourselves Disciples vs 4

Festive Voluntary on “Nettleton” - Lasky

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

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