# **Ministering Today**

Presiding Elder Roger Baker Becky Sisk Mike Buckley

Deacons

Chancel Laura Cohen
Head Jake Cohen
Peter Hinshaw
Lindsey Hinshaw
Levi Holloway

Lay Reader Greeters Terrie Wronkiewicz

Jake Cohen
Laura Cohen
Mike & Laura
Buckley
Hank Anderson

Adult SS Youth SS Preschool

Counters

Hank Anderson Be Gibson Chere Peters

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 Digital Ministry Coordinator Mason Fitch Brandy Cox Child Care Diane Pfoff Office Manager Lynn Hutton Bookkeeper' Sung Kim Custodian

#### Calendar

### Today - Palm Sunday

9:00 am Adult Studies
10:30 am Worship Service
12:00 pm Worship Meeting
12:30 pm Jubilate Ringers
1:00 pm Sanctuary Choir
4:00 pm Cluster Lenten Service
Sunnyland CC
7:00 pm Private Group

#### Monday

2:00 pm Faith In Justice 6:00 pm Personnel Meeting

#### Tuesday

6:00 pm PACC 6:00 pm Trustees & MLT 7:00 pm MLT Meeting

#### Wednesday

10:30 am Bible Study5:00 pm Dungeons & Dragons

#### **Thursday**

6:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service

#### **Friday**

6:30 pm Food Friday Service

#### Saturday

7:00 am Private Group9:00 am Play Pen Sports10:00 am Easter Celebration

#### **Next Sunday - Easter Sunday**

8:30 am Easter Brunch
10:30 am Worship Service
7:00 pm Private Group



**April 13, 2025** 10:30am

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Palm Sunday

+ indicates standing, if able

**Today's Meditation** 

Palm Sunday teaches us that even in the face of adversity, Jesus remained steadfast in his mission of redemption.

†Fellowship of the Church

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

Minute for Mission video

Music for Meditation

March Triumphant into Jerusalem - Thygerson
Please use the music and the moment of silence to prepare
your hearts and minds for worship.

A Moment of Silence

†Opening Hymn

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

†Call to Worship

Leader: Look! He comes, riding on a donkey, just as the prophets said.

People: Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Leader: The crowd gathers, waving palms, lifting song of praise.

People: Hosanna in the highest! Glory to God!

Leader: This is the Lord's day. With music and celebration, we welcome him.

People: With voices raised and hearts wide open: Hosanna!

†Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray together...

All: God of grace, we gather with gratitude as we remember the day your Son entered Jerusalem. In the sound of celebration and the stir of the crowd, we see your love moving toward the cross. As we sing and worship today, open our hearts to your presence. Let this be more than tradition—make it real in us. Remind us that your way is not about power or pride, but about humility, compassion, and courage. As we hear the story again and lift our songs, help us see where you are moving in our lives. Shape our praise into something that honors you, not just in this hour, but in the way we live and love each day. Hear us as we pray the prayer Jesus taught us...Our Father...

†Response #725

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand vs 4

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.

Ride On In Glory! - Williams

†Doxology #46

†Dedication of Offering

Scripture Reading Luke 19:28-40

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

Children's Message

Hannah Fitch

A Time of Prayer

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Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

# At His Name

An Easter Cantata composed & arranged by Joel Raney orchestrated by Ed Hogan

Name of All Majesty
A Miracle Man
Open the Gates
If You Love Me

The Lord's Supper

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

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross - Mason/Young

Behold the Lamb of God At His Name Name of all Majesty (Reprise)

+Benediction

†Congregational Response on screen Hosanna, Laud Hosanna vs. 3

Postlude

Grand Triumphal March - Guilmant/Williams

## **Cantata Participants**

Directed by Heather Woods

Narrated by Sandy Surface

Tech: Mason Fitch, Debra Kreps, Brian Woods

Soprano
Deann Anderson
Cindy Bridges
Cheryl Davis
Deborah
Springhart-West

Ange Bertucci
Laura Buckley
Connie Julien
Natalie Woods

<u>Tenor</u>

Dave Sinn Steve West Adam Woods Bass

Jerry Hornbacker Noel Thomas Larry Weber

### 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 on the welcome table 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.
- Easter Celebration ~ April 19th at 10 a.m. Your kids will hear the Easter story, have a fun egg hunt, and enjoy some breakfast snacks!
- Easter Brunch ~ April 20<sup>th</sup>, 8:30am-10am; Celebrate Easter before worship with pancakes, fresh fruit, and an assortment of homemade goodies!