



July 17, 2026
WEEKLY NEWS HIGHLIGHTS
for
PEORIA FIRST UMC

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This Week's Dates to Remember

July 1 - 25. *Portraits of Influential Peorians* (America 250 Exhibit). Foster Gallery.

July 19. Sunday at First.
8:45AM. Traditional Worship. Sanctuary.
9:00AM. Renew. Worship Center.
10:00. Sunday School for all ages.
11:15AM. Renuevo. Worship Center.

July 19. Missionary Talk by Honza Kuklinek. 10AM. Sanctuary.

July 22. Wednesday @ Church. 6:30PM.
Pastor Miguel's Bilingual Bible Study. Worship Center.
Youth Activities. Youth Room.
Children Activities. Children's Area.

Announcements



Missionary Presentation

Honza Kuklinek, one of our Czech missionaries, will be speaking Sunday during the Sunday School hour. He will be speaking about his work in "Gospel to Schools" which takes Jesus into public schools along with his "Daniel Movement" teaching Christians how to go deeper in their faith.



Venezuela Earthquake Relief

Thank you to everyone who has donated to our Venezuela earthquake relief effort. We have raised nearly \$6000 and collected many items that will be mailed soon. Please continue to keep the people of Venezuela in your prayers as recovery efforts continue.



10 for 10 Giving Campaign

We begin our annual 10 for 10 Giving Campaign on Sunday, July 19. For the next 10 weeks, we invite you to increase your giving by any increment of 10. These gifts are in addition to your regular tithes and offerings and help us continue God's work at the corner of Main and Perry. You may give in the offering plate, online at peoria1.org or through the [peoria1](#) app.

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Do You Have Church Building Keys?

Trustees have approved a new keying system throughout the building. All keys previously assigned are being replaced with a single key.

If you have existing church keys, please turn them into the church office and collect your new key.

Events



Wednesday @ Church

Pastor Tim's Bible Study will take a summer break and resume in October.

6:30PM

Bilingual Bible Study. Worship Center.
Youth and Children Activities.

Music @ First



Handbell Choir

JOIN the Handbell Choir

Do you enjoy hearing the bell choir in Sunday worship? Were you in the school band and miss the days of playing in a music ensemble? Do you want to make music with a fun group? Come check out the handbell choir!

- Rehearsals begin Thursday, August 20.
- Rehearsals every Thursday from 5:45-6:45PM.

Please contact Heather Hill with questions or if you are interested in joining the group.

[EMAIL Heather](#)

Mission First



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Mission First

It is in our vision statement that we are to make (and grow) disciples of Jesus Christ. A piece of becoming a disciple is service.

There are always serving opportunities at Peoria First. Want to serve and just do not know where or how? Send us a message and we will get you connected.

[CLICK HERE to get Connected](#)

Children

CHILDREN'S
CHURCH

10:00AM / SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:40AM / CHILDREN'S CHOIR



INFANTIL
IGLESIA

11:45AM / ESCUELA DOMINICAL

12:10PM / CORO INFANTIL

CHILDCARE

Childcare Hours

Childcare is available every Sunday morning from 8:45AM - 12:30PM. Childcare available for children infant through 4 years old.



Comfort Room

The Comfort Room may be accessed by checking in at the Children's Ministry desk and is available Sundays from 8:45AM-12:15PM. One adult parent / guardian must accompany your child.



**Questions about Children's Ministry?
Contact Rosy Rios**

[Email Rosy Rios](#)

Youth



Youth Trip to Six Flags Great America

Thursday, July 30 | 7AM - 10PM

Cost \$50

We have a limited number of seats - 41. We need 3 additional adult chaperones.

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YOUTH Sunday School

Youth Sunday School is for youth
in 6th - 12th Grades.

Sundays • 10:00AM
Youth Room



YOUTH Small Group

Join us every Wednesday as we open our
evening with praise music and then enjoy time
in the Word and fellowship with one another.

Youth Small Group is for youth in 6th - 12th
Grades.

Wednesdays • 6PM
Youth Room



**Questions about Youth Ministry?
Contact Christina Koeppel**

Email Christina Koeppel

Fine Arts

July Foster Gallery Exhibition

July 1 - 25

In collaboration with the Peoria Historical Society, the Foster Gallery is pleased to exhibit *Portraits of Influential Peorians* an America 250 Exhibit.

The Foster Gallery is open for viewing:
Monday - Friday: 9AM - 1PM
Sunday: 8:30 - 11:30AM
Other Showings by Appointment

Portraits of
Influential Peorians
America 250 Exhibit

SHOW DATES:
JULY 1 - JULY 25



Portraits of
Influential Peorians
America 250 Exhibit



IN COLLABORATION WITH THE PEORIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, THE FOSTER GALLERY IS PLEASED TO EXHIBIT PORTRAITS OF INFLUENTIAL PEORIANS (AMERICA 250 EXHIBIT).

THIS EXHIBITION HONORS THE ICONS OF PEORIA WHOSE LOCAL IMPACT REVERBERATED THROUGHOUT THE STATE AND NATION. PHS WILL HONOR CHANGE-MAKERS SUCH AS DR. GEORGE ZELLER, WHO HUMANELY TRANSFORMED MENTAL HEALTH CARE, LUCIE TYNG, AN EARLY LEADER IN THE TEMPERANCE AND SUFFRAGE MOVEMENTS, AND ANNIE MALONE, A PIONEER IN THE FIELD OF BEAUTY PRODUCTS FOR BLACK WOMEN.

**FINE ARTS
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Questions about our Fine Arts Ministry or the Foster Gallery?
Contact Eugene Maison

EMAIL Eugene Maison

This Week's Sermon

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Join Us for Sunday Worship

Traditional | 8:45 AM | Sanctuary

RENEW | 9:00 AM | Worship Center

Renuevo (Bilingual Service) | 11:15 AM | Worship Center

Sunday School for All Ages

10:00AM



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