

# eHighlights

June 12, 2026  
WEEKLY NEWS HIGHLIGHTS  
for  
PEORIA FIRST UMC

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## This Week's Dates to Remember

June 14. 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.

June 16. Morton Square Soccer. 5:45PM. Morton Square Park.

June 17. Wednesday @ Church. 6:30PM.  
Pastor Tim's Bible Study on Revelation. Room 215.  
Pastor Miguel's Bilingual Bible Study. Worship Center.  
Youth Activities. Youth Room.  
Children Activities. Children's Area.

## Announcements



### *Peoria First UMC Receives Award*

In May, Peoria First UMC joined congregations across the Illinois Great Rivers Conference and around the world, in supporting theological education for future United Methodist leaders in Africa, Europe, and the Philippines. The UMC believes that developing indigenous leaders and clergy from their own homeland is important to spreading the Gospel. With the leadership of the missions team, our congregation used gifts from our Foundation and GIC funds, to contribute \$5,000 to help build a sustainable seminary endowment that will provide scholarships, educational resources, and leadership training for generations to come. We were honored to receive a beautiful recognition award as a "Lead Donor" in this important initiative.

Thank you for helping extend the ministry of Jesus far beyond our local community and strengthening the global mission of The United Methodist Church. The award will be on display at the Welcome Desk for a short period of time and will then retire in the Heritage Room.



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## Events



### *Wednesday @ Church*

6PM. Time of Fellowship. Worship Center.

6:30PM

Pastor Tim's Bible Study on Revelation. Room 215.

Bilingual Bible Study. Worship Center.

Youth and Children Activities.

## Mission First



### *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



*6 Ways 2 Praise*



*Art Camp Volunteers Needed*

Open to students going into grades 3 - 6.

Campers participate in black light performance, culinary arts, studio art, photography, music, and missions art projects.

All-day students should bring a lunch.

Cost: \$40 for the first child in a family, \$30 for each additional child in the same family. Partial Scholarships Available.

June 22-25, |8:30AM - 3:45PM  
Aftercare available till 4:45PM

Registration deadline is June 15. Register soon as space is limited!

[REGISTER Here](#)

Looking for volunteers during Art Camp week. You can volunteer for all or part of a day, for as many days as you are available.

All Day ~ 8:15AM - 3:45PM  
Morning ~ 8:15AM - NOON  
Afternoon ~ NOON - 3:45pm

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### ***2026 Vacation Bible School***

Illumination Station VBS will be the brightest week of the year!

Each day kids will learn about who Jesus really is, participate in really cool crafts, exciting games, and enriching Bible study lessons that will have a lasting effect on them. Children Ages: 5 - 11.

July 6 - 9 | 9AM - Noon

[REGISTER Here for VBS](#)



### ***VBS Volunteers Needed***

Vacation Bible School is coming soon, and we would love your help! We are looking for volunteers to serve in a variety of ways as we share the love of Christ with children in our community. Whether you can help with teaching, crafts, snacks, games, decorating, or simply welcoming families, there is a place for you. Please contact the church office or sign up to be part of this exciting ministry opportunity!

July 6 - 9 | 9AM - Noon

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### **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



### **Podcraft and AV Camp**

Open to students going into grades 7- 12.

Campers will gain practical experience in podcast creation and production, starting from brainstorming ideas to recording. Additionally, they will receive instruction in live audio-visual (AV) mixing and recording.

Cost: \$30 for the first student in a family, \$20 for each additional student in the same family. Partial Scholarships Available.

June 22 - 25 | 1:00 - 3:45PM  
Aftercare available till 4:45PM



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**Fully Loaded**  
**Filled with the Holy Spirit**

Join us for a bilingual summer camp - fully Spanish AND fully English. The theme of this year's camp is filled with the Holy Spirit.

Contact Christina Koeppel with questions or to register.

July 16 - 18 | Grades 6 - 12 | Cost \$150



**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

## June Foster Gallery Exhibition

June 1 - 25

### *Light in the Darkness*

by Barbara Andrews, Kirk Billiter, & Lisa Hinshaw

The Foster Gallery is open for viewing:

Monday - Friday: 9AM - 1PM

Sunday: 8:30AM - Noon

Other Showings by Appointment



**FINE ARTS  
MINISTRY**  
PEORIA FIRST

**FOSTER  
GALLERY**  
FOR CHRISTIANITY  
AND THE FINE ARTS

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

[EMAIL Eugene Maison](#)

## This Week's Sermon



**THE NAME THAT CHANGES EVERYTHING**

**JESUS**

## Giving

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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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