

eHighlights

June 26, 2026
WEEKLY NEWS HIGHLIGHTS
for
PEORIA FIRST UMC

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This Week's Dates to Remember

June 28. 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 28. Reception for Andrew Sanchez. 9:45AM. Gathering Space.

July 1. Morton Square Soccer. 5:45PM. Morton Square Park.

July 1. 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



RECEPTION FOR ANDREW SANCHEZ
SUNDAY, JUNE 28 | 9:45AM
GATHERING SPACE



[CLICK HERE to View Job Description](#)

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10 for 10 Giving Campaign

We will begin our annual '10 for 10' giving campaign Sunday, July 12. We ask that you increase your giving by any increment of 10 for the next 10 weeks to help us do God's work on the corner of Main and Perry. Keep in mind, this is sacrificial giving in addition to your regular tithes and offering.

Events



World Wide Prayer Meeting

The next WWP of 2026 will be Wednesday, July 15 from 7:30-8:45AM. Please RSVP if you can attend.

Meeting ID: 839 4923 1895

Passcode: 539078

[Prayer Meeting Link](#)



AWAKE for Christian Educators

Honza Kuklinek, one of our long-time supported missionaries with Josiah Venture in the Czech Republic is partnering with Jeremy Garrett to hold an event, AWAKE, for Christian educators. This as a terrific opportunity for Peoria First UMC to support Honza's work while also supporting Christian educators in our communities.

[Register HERE](#)

Registration fee is \$35 through July 7, \$40 after. Register online. Payment is due at time of registration. Once event has concluded and there is confirmation of attendance, Peoria First UMC will reimburse the registration fee to you



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



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



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!

REGISTER Here for VBS

VOLUNTEER Here



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

LOCATED IN THE CHILDREN'S AREA

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



Email Christina

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

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.

Reception: Friday, July 10 | 5 - 8PM

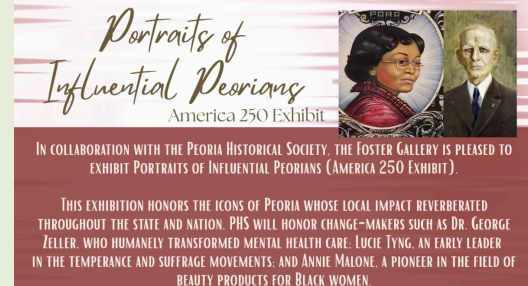
The Foster Gallery is open for viewing:
Monday - Friday: 9AM - 1PM
Sunday: 8:30AM - Noon
Other Showings by Appointment



Portraits of Influential Peorians
America 250 Exhibit

RECEPTION:
FRIDAY, JULY 10 | 5 - 8 PM

FOSTER GALLERY



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.

FOSTER GALLERY



Portraits of Influential Peorians
America 250 Exhibit

FOSTER GALLERY

LIVE! At the Foster Gallery

Join us for an evening of music featuring Aiko Alexa Olson and Owen Zhang, both accomplished pianists and violinists. Together, they will perform a selection of concertos and contemporary works, blending classical artistry with modern expression. Their engaging performance promises an inspiring musical experience for audiences of all ages.

Friday, July 10 | 5:30 - 7:30PM

**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

WHEN GOD INTERRUPTS YOUR PLANS

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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