



eHighlights



June 5, 2026
WEEKLY NEWS HIGHLIGHTS
for
PEORIA FIRST UMC

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This Week's Dates to Remember

June 5. First Friday Reception. 5PM. Foster Gallery.

June 7. 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 9. Morton Square Soccer. 5:45PM. Morton Square Park.

June 10. 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



NEW Sermon Series
A Church in Motion

The church isn't a place you go to; it's a body of people sent out into the world. It is a church community that is active, outward-facing, and constantly adapting, rather than confined to a building.

Join us Sunday for the first message in the series, *The Power that Changes Everything*.



EMAIL Andrew Rininger

Volunteers!!

We need volunteers on Tuesday evenings through June 30. You may volunteer to coach, monitor the snack table, or Bible Verse table. No soccer experience/knowledge is necessary.

Game times are 5:45, 6:30 and 7:15PM. You can volunteer for one time slot or the whole evening! Come and join the fun!

Contact Andrew Rininger for more information or to sign up.



Staff Update

Kirsten Tharp, our Director of Congregational Care, has tendered her resignation effective June 12.

We are grateful for Kirsten's service and the many ways she has reflected Christ's love through congregational care. She will be greatly missed.

Events



NEW Exhibition - Light in the Darkness

The Light of the cross, the natural light, or even man-made light pushes back darkness and brings with it peace, direction, guidance, and even hope. In this exhibition, the artists share their reflections of Light in the darkness in various forms.

The Light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it. (John 1:5)

First Friday Reception, June 5 | 5 - 8PM | Foster Gallery
Live Music by Aiko Alexa
Show Dates: June 1 - 25

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.

MID WEEK



Reset.
Refresh.
Renew.

Mission First

**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

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



**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

Art Camp Volunteers Needed

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

[VOLUNTEER Here](#)

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

[REGISTER Here](#)



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

[VOLUNTEER Here](#)

CHILDREN'S <small>CHURCH</small>	
10:00AM / SUNDAY SCHOOL	
10:40AM / CHILDREN'S CHOIR	
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	12:10PM / CORO INFANTIL



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.

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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.

When: July 16 - 18
Grades: 6 - 12
Cost: \$150

Contact Christina Koeppel with questions or to register.

[Email Christina](#)



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

Friday Reception:

June 5 | 5 - 7PM | Foster Gallery

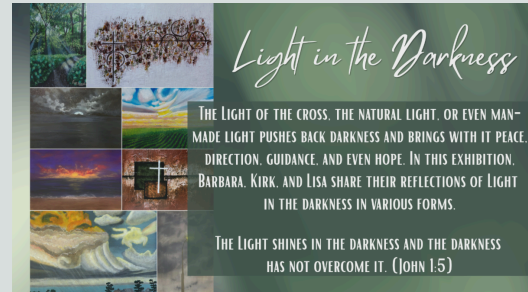
Music Provided by Aiko Alexa

The Foster Gallery is open for viewing:

Monday - Friday: 9AM - 1PM

Sunday: 8:30AM - Noon

Other Showings by Appointment



**FINE ARTS
MINISTRY**
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**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 POWER
THAT CHANGES EVERYTHING**



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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