July 25, 2025 WEEKLY NEWS HIGHLIGHTS for PEORIA FIRST UMC

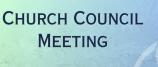
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eHighlights

## This Week's Dates to Remember

July 28. Church Council Meeting. 7PM. Worship Center.

## Announcements



JULY 28 • 7PM WORSHIP CENTER

#### Church Council Meeting

There is a Church Council meeting coming soon. All are welcome to attend and hear church committee reports.

Monday, July 28 • 7:00PM • Worship Center



#### 10 for 10 Giving Campaign

We will begin a '10 for 10' giving campaign Sunday, July 20. 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.

CLICK Here to Give

## Missions



School Supplies for Lincoln K-8 It's not too late to buy school supplies for kids at

Lincoln K-8. Supplies are being collected through the end of July.

If you do not want to go out and purchase supplies, monetary donations are accepted for us to do your shopping!

**CLICK Here for Supply List** 



Loaves and Fish Needs Paper Products

The Loaves and Fish ministry needs paper towels and toilet paper. Your donations are greatly appreciated. You may leave your donations at the Welcome Desk.

## **Mission First**

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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



#### SNACKS AND ART? THEY JUST GO TOGETHER

FINE ARTS MINISTRY IS LOOKING FOR A VOLUNTEER TO SET UP SNACKS ONCE A MONTH.



#### Snacks and Art? They just go Together

The Fine Arts Ministry is seeking a volunteer to assist with setting up the snack table for monthly exhibition receptions at the Foster Gallery. This event takes place once a month on the first Friday, with setup occurring between 3:45 and 4:45 PM.

It's a small but meaningful way to support the Fine Arts Ministry and help



**Children's Ministry Needs Help this Fall** 

**Contact Melissa Drozd** 

#### Peoria First Kids Need YOU!

We are gearing up for Fall kids' programs ... and that means we need help! Can you help in a Sunday School class once a month? twice a month? There is no prep...it's all done for you. You just need to be willing to love on our kids.

Have Questions? Want to Volunteer? Contact Melissa Drozd.

create a welcoming environment for our guests.

**Email Eugene Maison** 

EMAIL Melissa Drozd

## Fine Arts

'Where Beauty Rests' by Pamela Crady and Sarah Zobrist August Exhibition

> First Friday Reception Friday, August 1 • 5-8PM

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



FRIDAY RECEPTION:

AUGUST 1 · 5 - 8PM LIVE MUSIC BY DEREL MONTEITH GALLERY



THIS EXHIBIT INVITES YOU TO EXPERIENCE THE BEAUTY OF THE WORLD THROUGH THE EYES OF TWO ARTISTS—SARAH ZOBRIST AND PAMELA (RADY—WHO FIND DEEP MEANING AND JOY IN THE BEAUTY OF GOD'S CREATION. OUR HOPE IS THAT EACH VIEWER LEAVES FEELING INSPIRED. UPLIFTED. AND MORE DEEPLY CONNECTED TO THE BEAUTY THAT SURROUNDS US ALL





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

**EMAIL Eugene Maison** 

## Children

#### LEARN, FELLOWSHIP, SHARE

This meeting is for anyone interested in volunteering in the Children's Area, whether it be Children's Sunday School, Nursery, Wednesday night children's classes, or special events in the children's area. We will dive





Volunteer Meeting \*\*\*\*UPDATED\*\*\*\* meeting is Sunday, August 3rd, 12:30-2:00PM.

into the heart of our ministry, review important safety trainings, and lay down our plans to kick off fall with a bang! Lunch will be served to fuel our spirits! Your presence is super important, so let us know if you can make it. Let's come together to plan, learn, and encourage each other as we look to minister to our beautiful children this coming year!

YES! Count Me In



We kindly ask 1 parent accompany each child into childcare area

### Childcare

To ensure the safety of children, volunteers, and staff we kindly ask that one parent enter the childcare area per child. Thank you for your cooperation.



**Questions about Children's Ministry? Contact Melissa Drozd** 



Email Melissa Drozd

## Youth



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.

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Wednesdays • 6:45PM Worship Center



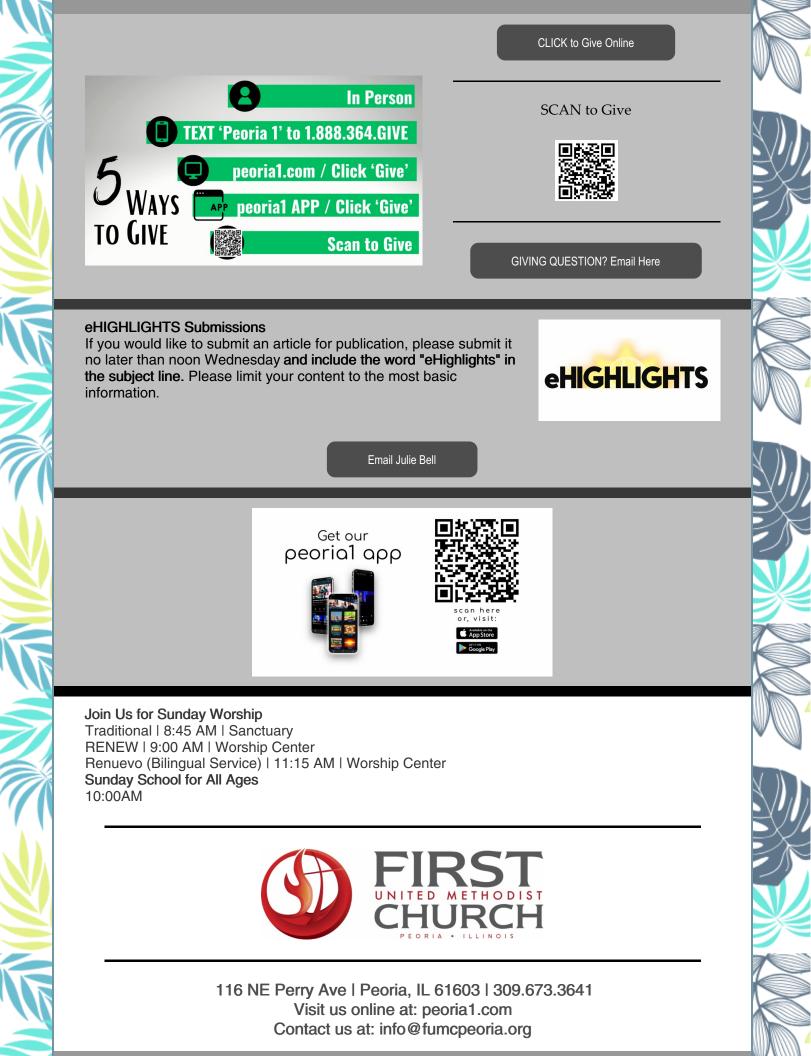
Questions about Youth Ministry? Contact Christina Koeppel

Email Christina Koeppel

## This Week's Sermon

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Giving





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