

2026

eHighlights

January 2, 2026
WEEKLY NEWS HIGHLIGHTS
for
PEORIA FIRST UMC

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This Week's Dates to Remember

January 2. Office Closed.
January 5. *One Art* Exhibition Begins. Foster Gallery.

Announcements



Happy New Year

Happy New Year, church family! May this year be filled with God's grace, hope, and new beginnings.

The church office will be closed Friday, January 2.

Events



Missionary Visit

Long time medical missionaries Dr. Les Dornan and Nursing Manager Debbie Dornan who served in Nepal for 25 years will be sharing their ministry experience in the Chapel on January 18. The church and the Missions Team have a long history with the Dornan's. Before the time in the Chapel, there



Worldwide Time of Prayer

Join us for a Zoom time of prayer as we pray with and for missionaries around the world. Please RSVP to Mike Illuzzi if you will attend online.

January 21 • 7:30AM

will be a cakereception in the Gathering Space.

January 18 • 10AM • Chapel

RSVP to Mike Illuzzi

Meeting ID: 839 4923 1895

Passcode: 539078Y

[CLICK HERE for Meeting Link](#)



Wednesday Night Bible Study

6PM Fellowship / 6:30PM Study

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Wednesday Night Bible Study with Pastor Tim is taking a break during the holidays. Study will resume Wednesday, January 14.

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](#)

Fine Arts

January Foster Gallery Exhibition

ONE ART

by Peoria First UMC Creatives

This exhibition shines a light on the creative gifts within our church community and the many ways we connect faith, beauty, and everyday life through art.

The Foster Gallery is open for viewing:

Monday - Friday: 9AM - 1PM

Sunday: 8:30AM - Noon

Other Showings by Appointment



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

EMAIL Eugene Maison

Children



Childcare Hours

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



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



Winter Camp 2026!

This year we are going somewhere new for our winter experience! Covenant Harbor in Geneva, Wisconsin! Climbing tower, zipline, giant swing, tubing, broomball, ice skating, sledding, indoor climbing wall, open gym, bounce castle, game room, coffee shop, snack shop, Stumpball, polar bear dip, target sports and so much more!

This camp is open to 6-12th grade. February 20-22, 2026. Cost is \$150.

Must Register by January 11.

How to Register:

Go to Covenant Harbor's online Registration Portal.

- Select the person registering for Winter Camp 2026. (+ People)
- Select and add to cart your group's specific session date and group name. (February 20-22) (FUMC Peoria)
- Complete all forms.
- Complete Payment.

REGISTER HERE



YOUTH Sunday School

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



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.

Sundays • 10:00AM
Youth Room

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

Wednesdays • 6:45PM
Worship Center



Questions about Youth Ministry?
Contact Christina Koeppel

Email Christina Koeppel

This Week's Sermon



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If you would like to submit an article for publication, please submit it no later than noon Wednesday and include the word "eHighlights" in the subject line. Please limit your content to the most basic information.

Email Julie Bell

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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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