

eHighlights

November 14, 2025
WEEKLY NEWS HIGHLIGHTS
for
PEORIA FIRST UMC

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This Week's Dates to Remember

November 14 - 15. Mexican Consulate. Worship Center.
November 16. *Haydn in Plain Sight*. 10:30AM. Sanctuary.
November 19. Wednesday Bible Study with Pastor Tim. 6PM. Worship Center.
November. Fall Food Drive.

Announcements



Fall Food Drive

NOVEMBER 9 -
NOVEMBER 30

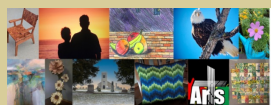
PICK UP BROWN BAG IN THE
GATHERING SPACE

Fall Food Drive

It is time to help stock the shelves for Loaves and Fish. Brown bags are available in the Gathering Space. Each bag has a list of needed items. Thank you for your continued support to this ministry.

Collection of items is November 9 - 30.

[VIEW List Here](#)

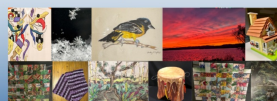


ONE ART
Peoria First UMC Creatives

ENTRY FORMS DUE BY DECEMBER 4

EXHIBITION DATES: JANUARY 5 - 23

AN INVITATIONAL ART SHOW
FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS
OF PEORIA FIRST



Calling All Peoria First Creative

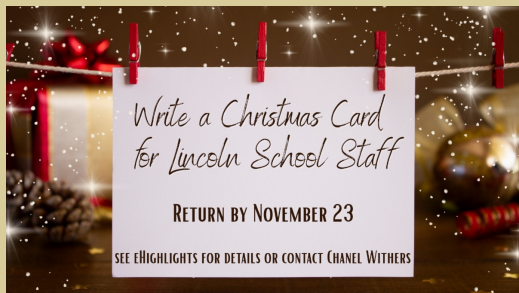
This exhibition shines a light on the creative gifts within our community and the many ways we connect faith, beauty, and everyday life through art.

You're invited to take part in the 2026 One Art Exhibit, a special show featuring the creativity of Peoria First UMC members and their families.

Share one original work in any medium that inspires you—painting, sculpture, craft, woodwork, quilt, embroidery, poetry, and more. Help fill the gallery with the heart and imagination of our community. One entry per person.

December 4: All Submissions Due
December 15 and 16: Delivery of Entered Works 9AM – 1PM
January 5 - January 23, 2026: Exhibition Dates

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Spreading Christmas Cheer to Lincoln School Staff

Help spread God's love, through Christmas cards, to the Lincoln school staff.

Here is what you can do:

- If you have been praying for a Lincoln School staff member from a bookmark, please write a Christmas card to that person(s).
- If you do not have a staff member's name, write a generic card and we will write a staff member's name on the envelope.

- Use your own Christmas card OR pick one up at the Welcome Desk Sunday, November 9 or 16. You can even write your note while enjoying a cup of coffee.

- Be encouraging, be loving! The Lincoln school staff works so hard to support our neighborhood kids, and we want them to know God is with them every step of the way!

- You may write the Peoria First Prayer text # on your card: (234)895-1234.

- Leave the envelope UNSEALED. We will put a Christmas invitation postcard in with the Christmas card.

- Return your card to the Welcome Desk or Church Office NO LATER than November 23.

Questions? Contact Chanel Withers

[CONTACT Chanel Here](#)

Events

Women at First Holiday Gathering

Let's Gather for a time of music, fellowship, and a holiday craft. The cost is \$17. Childcare is available.

Friday, December 12 • 6PM
Worship Center

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Lessons and Carols

Haydn in Plain Sight . . . a preview

Director Andrew Sánchez and organist John Orfe, along with the Sanctuary Choir will present a

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Haydn in Plain Sight

a preview

November 16 • 10:30AM • Sanctuary

program entitled *Haydn In Plain Sight*, an informal, yet informative, concert and lecture on Haydn's masterpiece ahead of its full performance in December.

Sunday, November 16 • 10:30AM • Sanctuary



Wednesday Night Bible Study

6PM Fellowship / 6:30PM Study

Wednesday Bible Study

Pastor Tim is teaching a Wednesday night Bible Study on the books of Philippians and Acts. 6PM time of fellowship, bring a snack to share. 6:30PM study will begin in the Chapel.

Every Wednesday • 6PM Fellowship, 6:30PM Study

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](#)

Fine Arts

November Foster Gallery Exhibition

This Land is Your Land

by Bennett Johnson

The Foster Gallery is open for viewing:

Monday - Friday: 9AM - 1PM

Sunday: 8:30AM - Noon

Other Showings by Appointment



Youth



Cookie Bake and Lock In

Join this annual event of baking cookies, watching movies and serving others.

December 5 • 6PM



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.

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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Questions about Youth Ministry?
Contact Christina Koepfel

Email Christina Koepfel

This Week's Sermon



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RENEW | 9:00 AM | Worship Center
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Sunday School for All Ages
10:00AM



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