

eHighlights

December 12, 2025
WEEKLY NEWS HIGHLIGHTS
for
PEORIA FIRST UMC

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This Week's Dates to Remember

December 12. Women at First . 6PM. Worship Center.

December 14. Christmas Sweater Sunday.

December 14. Children's Christmas Program. 10:15AM. Worship Center.

December 17. Wednesday Bible Study with Pastor Tim. 6PM. Worship Center.

Announcements

Sunday, December 28

8:45AM Traditional Worship | Sanctuary
10AM Renew & Renuevo | Worship Center
No Sunday School.
No Café.

Sunday, December 28 Schedule Change

The Sunday schedule for December 28 will look a bit different: Traditional Worship at 8:45AM in the Sanctuary, Renew and Renuevo will have a combined worship service at 10AM in the Worship Center. There will be no Sunday School, Children's activities - nursery care will be available, and no cafe.

Events

Children's Christmas Program



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14
10:15AM
WORSHIP CENTER

Children's Christmas Program

The children of Peoria First will present a wonderful music Christmas program.

Sunday, December 14 • 10:15AM

Christmas Sweater Sunday

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14



Christmas Sweater Sunday

Whether it is an ugly Christmas sweater or your most treasured Christmas sweater, it is almost time to wear it!

Sunday, December 14



Christmas Eve

4 and 7PM | Sanctuary

7PM Bilingual | Worship Center

Christmas Eve Worship

This Christmas Eve, you're invited to join us for a time of worship and celebration as we honor the birth of Christ. Come as you are, bring your family and friends.

Wednesday, December 24

4 and 7PM Traditional Worship • Sanctuary

7PM Bilingual Worship • Worship Center



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 in the Chapel.

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

Mission First

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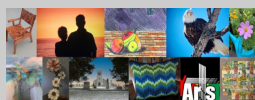
Mission First

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.

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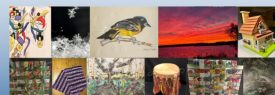
Fine Arts



ONE ART
Peoria First UMC Creatives

EXHIBITION DATES: JANUARY 5 - 23

AN INVITATIONAL ART SHOW
FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS
OF PEORIA FIRST



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.

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.

January 5 - January 23, 2026: Exhibition Dates

[Register Here](#)

December Foster Gallery Exhibition

What in the World?

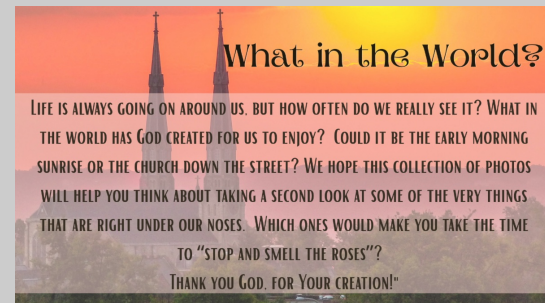
by Jim and Gwen Bateman

The Foster Gallery is open for viewing:

Monday - Friday: 9AM - 1PM

Sunday: 8:30AM - Noon

Other Showings by Appointment



**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](#)

Children

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

10:00AM / SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:40AM / CHILDREN'S CHOIR



INFANTIL IGLESIA

11:45AM / ESCUELA DOMINICAL

12:10PM / CORO INFANTIL

CHILDCARE HOURS

Infant - 4 years old
8:45AM - 12:30PM



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.

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 • 6:45PM
Worship Center



**Questions about Youth Ministry?
Contact Christina Koepfel**

[Email Christina Koepfel](#)

This Week's Sermon

*Through the Eyes of the Shepherds:
Awe and Proclamation*

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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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