

JANUARY 28, 2024
9:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	<i>The Power of the Cross with When I Survey the Wondrous Cross</i>	
Call to Worship		
Opening Prayer		
* God's Greeting		
* Song of Praise	<i>Wonderful, Merciful Savior</i>	Song Sheet
Ministry of Music	<i>Jesus Loves Me Jesus Loves the Little Children PreK-2nd Grade Church School Children</i>	
Responsive Reading	<p>Dear Lord, as we celebrate the sanctity of life, Give us the child-like faith to accept that our world was created a safe and beautiful place.</p> <p>As we observe how little human life is often valued, Make us mindful that we are made in your image, that each one is precious in your sight.</p> <p>Where abuse has ravaged victims, May we embrace the wounded, comfort them with love, and offer encouragement and restoration.</p> <p>Where there is wanton destruction of lives, Dear God, use your people to intervene and serve as your healing agents.</p> <p>To those who expect the birth of a child, Grant they may not feel burdened, but instead joyfully anticipate the miracle of life.</p> <p>We pray especially for children, both born and unborn, May we never stand idly by when innocent lives are threatened but show your compassion and proclaim your love.</p> <p>As we pray for restoration of family life, Grant wisdom and patience to parents. May we help them bring their children to Jesus to be touched and blessed by Him.</p> <p>O Lord, who has numbered the hairs on our heads, guide us to proclaim that life is sacred and our world belongs to You. Amen.</p>	
* Song of Response	<i>O Jesus, We Adore You</i>	Gray 472
Congregational Prayer		
Offering Offertory	<i>Pella Pro-Life What a Friend We Have in Jesus</i>	
* Song of Preparation	<i>Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed</i>	Gray 385
Scripture	Isaiah 52:13-53:9 (p. 716)	
Sermon	The Forbidden Chapter Continues	

Prayer

* Song of Dedication *The Old Rugged Cross* **Blue 327**

* Benediction

* Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* **Blue 815**

* Postlude *Tell Me the Stories of Jesus with
I Love to Tell the Story*



5:00 P.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude *Come, Let Us Worship and Bow Down
O Rest in the Lord*

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

* God's Greeting

* Song of Praise *I Love to Tell the Story* **Gray 530**

* Confession of Faith Apostles' Creed (in unison, Gray back cover)

Reading Psalm 46 (p. 553)

* Song of Response *Crown Him with Many Crowns* **Gray 410**

Evening Prayer

Offering
Offertory *Areopagus Campus Ministry
O Day of Rest and Gladness
O day of rest and gladness, O day of joy and light,
O balm of care and sadness, most beautiful, most bright;
On Thee the high and lowly through ages joined in tune,
Sing, Holy, Holy, Holy, to the great God Triune.

On Thee, at the creation, the light first had its birth;
On Thee, for our salvation, Christ rose from depths of earth;
On Thee our Lord victorious the Spirit sent from heaven,
And thus on Thee, most glorious, a triple light was given.*

* Song of Preparation *Spirit of the Living God* **Gray 424**

Scripture Genesis 1:31-2:3 (p. 2)

Sermon **The Discipline of Rest**

Prayer

* Song of Dedication *My Jesus, I Love Thee* **Gray 557**

* Benediction

* Doxology *Father, We Love You* **Gray 634**

* Postlude *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

January 28, 2024

Welcome to the Peoria Christian Reformed Church. As we observe Sanctity of Human Life Sunday today, we praise God in the words of Psalm 139:14, "I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well." (NIV)

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY
Greeters	Dale & Davona Fynaardt Mark Van Wyngarden family	Glen & Sandy Fynaardt Bernie & Nella Veenstra
Missionary Correspondents	Gifford - Deb Bruxvoort; Ippel - Melissa Copenhaver; Mark & JinHee - Harlan De Boer; Vander Wal - Ruth De Bruin	
Morning Prayer Team	Glen Fynaardt Mike Vander Hart	Mark Franje Frank Reitsma
Nursery Attendants	a.m. Michele De Boer, Madi Veenstra p.m. Kathy Franje, Jocelyn Veenstra	a.m. Amber Fynaardt, Taylor Klyn p.m. Davona Fynaardt, Gerrit Vos
Offering	a.m. Pella Pro-Life p.m. Areopagus Campus Ministry	a.m. Peoria Cadets p.m. Christian Education Fund

TODAY

We welcome **Alex Foley** as he leads our morning worship service.

Please join us as we **fellowship** over a cup of coffee or lemonade after the morning worship service.

Church School classes will meet after the morning service and dismiss at 11:30. Preschool class meets in the church basement; classes for grades K-8 meet in the school; high school class meets in the youth building. Visitors are welcome! Offering: Luke Roose and Taylor Roose (SE Asia)

The **Adult Church School** class will not meet today. We will resume next Sunday.

We welcome **Pastor Jamie Bogaard** as he leads our afternoon worship service.

CALENDAR

Tuesday 6:00 p.m. Deacons' Meeting
Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Cadets Game Night
7:00 p.m. GEMS
7:00 p.m. Youth Group, Devotions ~ Ben, Snack ~ Greta
Thursday 2:00 p.m. God in the Life of Abraham Study at Pella Manor (Genesis 22:2)

NEXT WEEK

Alex Foley will lead our morning worship service, and the Cadets will participate.

Pastor Erik Kamp will lead our afternoon worship service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **2024 church directory** is in your mailbox today. If you would like additional copies, or if you wish to exchange it for a large print edition, both are available from the east basement table.

Family visits scheduled for this week follow. All calls will last approximately one hour.

▸ Jan 29, 7:00 p.m., Fopma & Warden: Jon Klyn, Marshall Fynaardt

Thank you for taking time to reflect on Philippians 2:1-11. Topics for discussion may include one or more of the following questions:

- At this time in your life, how do you see yourself as a servant of God?
- What do you believe the Scriptures mean by “true faith”?
- What have you heard in a recent sermon that stirred you to think more deeply or, perhaps, act upon?

In 1983, President Ronald Reagan issued a proclamation establishing National **Sanctity of Human Life Sunday** (SOHLS), a day set apart to focus on the intrinsic value of human life and the fundamental right to life, as recognized by America's founding fathers. Since then, SOHLS has been held on the Sunday in January that falls closest to the day on which the Roe v. Wade decision was handed down by the U.S. Supreme Court on January 22, 1973. Even with the reversal of the Roe v. Wade decision on June 24, 2022, the fight to protect unborn lives continues. Each state now makes its own laws concerning abortion, which terminates the life of a separate, unique human being created in the image of God.

CHURCH FAMILY

“Thank you to the congregation for the cards, letters, and phone calls I received over the holidays. My church family is a blessing to me!” ~ **Lois Klyn**

SCHOOL NOTES

Save the date for the **Peoria Christian School Hostess Supper** on Saturday, February 17, at 5:00 p.m. The evening entertainment will be the Higher Power Quartet. Childcare and supper for children in 5th grade and under is provided if you RSVP your child. If you would like an invitation to this event or to RSVP for childcare, please contact Michelle by February 12 (office@peoriachr.org).

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

818 Forward With Faith invites you to their annual **Dessert Dash** on Friday, February 9, at the Vermeer Global Pavilion. If you are so inclined, please join us in dressing a little more formally this year (optional, of course). Valet parking will be available. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. with punch and appetizers served; dinner will begin at 6:30, followed by our speaker and the dessert dash. We are thrilled to have Mr. David Ring of David Ring Ministries as our speaker. David has cerebral palsy and has been passionately sharing the gospel of Christ to audiences all over the world. His incredible testimony of strength, courage, and faith leaves listeners of all ages inspired to fulfill God's calling on their lives. Please RSVP to this event at <https://www.forwardwithfaith.org/upcoming-events> or email us at contact@forwardwithfaith.org with names and how many will attend. We look forward to seeing you there. Thank you for your support!

PRAISEFEST ~ March 11-14, 2024: Gospel music lovers won't want to miss this event at the beautiful Mansion Theatre in Branson. Live performances include legendary artists and memorable sounds of The Collingsworth Family, Legacy Five, Booth Brothers, Ernie Haase & Signature Sound, Greater Vision, 4Him and more! A bus has been chartered, hotel rooms secured, and group tickets in the Gold Section are on hold so if you'd like to sit back and enjoy with us, please email Glenda.VanWoerkom@gmail.com or call 641-780-2637 for more information.

THRIVE FAITH FORMATION TIP: Retelling Bible stories together helps those stories “stick,” especially for kids. Check out the one-page resource “5 Ways to Retell a Bible Story with Kids” (tinyurl.com/5WaysRetell) for ideas. Learn more at crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject.