

## Would you like to help in worship on Sunday mornings?

Pastor Andrea is looking for help with Sunday morning worship.

### Ways to help in worship:

1. Reading Scripture and leading the Call to Worship
2. Sharing a children's moment
3. Helping with the soundboard and video
4. Preparing Communion
5. Sharing Special Music



*Singing in worship!*

WE ARE SINGING IN WORSHIP  
AGAIN, OCACIONALLY!  
FOR NOW WE WILL BE SINGING ON  
THE SUNDAYS THAT OUR PIANIST  
DONNA IS ABLE TO BE WORSHIP WITH  
US! WE HOPE YOU WILL JOIN US IN  
MAKING A JOYFUL NOISE AGAIN!

WORSHIP TEAM  
*updates*



### We need your help! Advent will be here before we know it

We need help decorating the sanctuary!  
We will be decorating following worship on Sunday November 21!

We are also looking for families or individuals who would like to participate in lighting the Advent wreath at the beginning of worship each Sunday of Advent!  
Look for the sign up sheet in the Narthex to pick what Sunday you would like to read and light the candles.



### Sunday Morning Worship at First Christian Church

In Person in the sanctuary is at **10am** \*\*Radio 99.7 KDLS is at **11am**

Online on the church's Facebook page in the early afternoon

#### **\*Things to know about In Person Worship\***

**SAFETY PRECAUTIONS:** Mask are recommended when being distanced is not possible. A shortened service time helps us continue to keep each other safe.

**COMMUNION:** We invite you to bring your own communion elements if you would like. There will also be prepared communion available.

## STAY CONNECTED



Check out the many different ways to connect at FCC



### SATURDAY SMALL GROUP

Coffee and Conversation

This small group will meet on **November 13th at 9am** at Perry Perk

**WHAT:** A time and place to gather to have conversations about life and faith and how we survive in the world!

**WHO:** Anyone who enjoys good coffee (or tea or hot chocolate or water) and great conversation.

Kids welcome.

There will **NOT** be 2nd Thursday in November



**The Christian Education Team is working on developing some new programming ideas. Keep checking back for updates, more details will be coming soon!**



**ARE "U" WHAT IS MISSING IN OUR VOLUNTEER TEAM?**

### **Clothes Closet Volunteers Needed!**

We need volunteers like you to help make the Clothes Closet run smoothly!

The Clothes Closet is open on Saturdays from 8am-Noon

Contact the church office if you have questions or would like to let us know when/how you can help!

## Help the Food Pantry!

The Food Pantry is always taking donations of nonperishable food items, as well as cash donations to purchase eggs, meat, and other perishable items. You can drop your donations off in the grocery cart in the Narthex on Sunday morning or when the church office is open Monday-Thursday 1-3:30pm

### **The Food Pantry is in need of the following items:**

- SOUPS OTHER THAN TOMATO & CHICKEN NOODLE
- SUGAR, FLOUR, KETCHUP, MUSTARD
- CRACKERS OF ANY KIND
- CAKE MIXES

Please make sure that all products are within the "Best Used By" date. The Pantry cannot distribute expired products.

# 150th Anniversary Shirts for Sale!

ARTWORK: FRONT Left chest: **Short Sleeve** Full Back design:

xs-xl \$5  
2x-3x \$9

**Long Sleeve**  
m-xl \$8  
2x \$12

**150**  
**Years serving God  
and the Community**  
First Christian Church  
Perry, Iowa

Contact the church office or see Pastor Andrea on Sunday morning if you would like to purchase a shirt!

Thank you to everyone who helped make our 150th celebration a great success! Decorating, cooking, serving, cleaning up without your help, the celebration couldn't have happened!

I am grateful for you!

Pastor Andrea

Pastor Andrea will be away and out of the office November 5-12. She will be in Atlanta for an intensive class as she continues working toward her certification in Spiritual Direction.



## Perry Fine Arts Concerts Are Back!

Our first concern is everyone's health. If Covid numbers, go up we will cancel or postpone. Our facilities are large enough to social distance and masks are recommended, but not required.

The annual William Bell Memorial Tuba and Euphonium Day clinic/concert will be held Saturday November 6th at the First United Methodist Church at 1100 3rd St, Perry, Iowa. A public concert will be at 4 pm is free and open to all and the facility is handicapped accessible. From 5:30-5:45 a memorial performance will be held at William Bell's grave site. Following this, performers eat, socialize, and plan next year's event.



Remember to turn your clocks back before you go to bed Saturday November 6th or you will arrive an hour early for Worship on Sunday!

**Minister**

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**Minister's Office Hours**

Mon-Thurs 10am- 1pm Or By Appointment  
 Day off- Friday



**First Christian  
 Church**  
 (Disciples of Christ)

Where you can be yourself.  
 No matter where you are on life's journey,  
 We invite you to join us as we strive to follow  
 Jesus in real and different ways.

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 Office Closed on Friday

# The Chimes

NEWSLETTER OF EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES FOR  
 FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, PERRY, IOWA

**FROM THE PASTOR**

## "GIVING THANKS"

Hello fellow followers of Jesus,

I hope this newsletter finds you well. As we enter into the month of November, a month that is greatly associated with giving thanks, I want to share some "thanks-givings" with you. Here is what made my top 10 Thankful for List this year!

### Top 10 Things I'm Thankful For in 2021

10. Cinnamon Rolls- because they are delicious!
9. Local Coffee shops...well coffee in general!
8. Friends who share baked goods- thank you for sharing!
7. Phone calls and video chats with my nieces and nephews- I wish we lived closer together!
6. Time with family who live out of state- even short visits are better than no visits!
5. The ability to be back together even if it's still a little different than before- let's embrace different!
4. My husband Brandon and my stepson Colson- I don't know what I'd do without you both!
3. The Church secretary Betty, without whom I would never get anything done- Thank you is never enough for all you do!
2. Encouragement and support from a generous congregation- I am honored to serve as your pastor!
1. Another successful (even if different) year of ministry together! I am looking forward to another year together!

I wonder what your top 10 list looks like this year? Join us in worship this month as we finish up our "Rooted in Love" series! We will finish this series on November 21st, with service of healing and hope as we prepare to enter the season of Advent. I give thanks for each of you and pray you know God's grace, peace, and love surrounds you wherever you are, whatever you are doing.

Peace on the journey,

*Pastor Andrea*