

Elders
Class of 2024
 Rea Brown
 Mike Bumpass
 Bob Collis
 Bill Gearhart
 Al Soltis

Class of 2025
 Don Andree
 Stuart Bain
 Richard Harvey
 Doug McLaughlin
 David Smith

Class of 2026
 Mike Abbott
 Robert Broyles
 Aaron Burton
 Scott Rice
 Michael Ridenhour

Sunday School 9:00 am

It is never too late for Children and Youth to join our Sunday School Classes. If you need more information, please contact Patti Trail (Children) or Pete Guillard (Youth) at 344-3204.

Class - Age	Room	Teachers
Children's Ministry		
Infants & Toddlers	115	Amanda Young
PreK-K-1	114	Mike Trail
Children's Sunday School 2-5	Library	Patti Trail
Youth		
Grades 6-12	Youth Rm	Pete Guillard

Adult Sunday School
 McClanahan /Good News - Room 207
 Koinonia/Cornerstone - Parlor

Deacons
Class of 2024
 Debbra Bennett
 Alison Boozer
 Linda Brown
 Clifford (Bud) Derey
 Sheila Harms
 Carolyn Keyes
 Kim Smith
 Mary Thornhill
 Brenda White-Edwards

Class of 2025
 Susan Blanding
 Karen Brooks
 Donna Broyles
 Marlene Flynn
 Marcia Ridenhour
 Helen Thompson
 Lynn Wimmer

Class of 2026
 Wendy Andree
 Tamara Caldwell
 Bobby Caudle
 Cameron May
 Sandy McCullar
 Carolyn Moore

Reminders

Elders: Don Andree, Rea Brown
Sound System: Kaye Wilkerson, Scott Rice, Rea Brown
Greeters Ramp Room (8:50-9:00 & 10:00-10:30):
 Feb. 4 - Nancy Gillespie
 Feb. 11 - Daryl & Carolyn Keyes
 Feb. 18 - Bud & Jesse Derey
 Feb. 25 - Jean Jamison, Linda Brown
Greeters Narthex (10:00-10:30):
 Feb. 4 - Jim Hopkins
 Feb. 11 - Diana Harvey
 Feb. 18 - Brenda White-Edwards
 Feb. 25 - Lee Slover, Julie Drewry
Deacons on Duty:
 Feb. 4 - Karen Brooks, Susan Blanding
 Feb. 11 - Donna Broyles, Bobby Caudle
 Feb. 18 - Susan Blanding, Carolyn Keyes
 Feb. 25 - Marcia Ridenhour, Carolyn Moore
Acolytes:
 Feb. 4 - Emma & Kylie Woolard
 Feb. 11 - Bryleigh Trevett
 Feb. 18 - Elizabeth Rice
 Feb. 25 - David Bean

CALENDAR

Today, 2/4 Sunday School, 9:00 am; Worship, 10:30 am; Diaconate Mtg., 11:45 am
Monday, 2/5 Church office closed on Mondays; Sisters in Bible Study (SIBS), 6:00 pm
Tuesday, 2/6 Sisters in Bible Study (SIBS), 10:00 am; Men's ZOOM Bible Study, 12:00 pm; Adult Bible Study (ABS), 5:15 pm; Chancel Choir, 6:30 pm
Wednesday, 2/7 Feast @ First, 6:00 pm; FirstKids & FaithWeaver Friends, 6:30 pm; Youth Group, 6:30; Carillonners, 7:00 pm
Thursday, 2/8 Staff Mtg., 10:00 am ; Mission & Outreach Commission Mtg., 5:30 pm
Friday, 2/9 Prayers for the Church, 9:30 am

*Hearing devices are located in the Narthex to assist in listening to today's service
 FEPC Wi-Fi guest password is Guest2101**

Welcome to First Evangelical Presbyterian Church. We are glad you are here and we pray that, as we share with each other and worship our God, you will find here a special presence and blessing of God.
 If you are a guest with us this morning we hope you will come again and, if so led, consider making First EPC your church home.

FEPC provides clipboards with crayons and children's bulletins for children to use during the Worship service. There are two options, based on the age of your child. They are located in the baskets in the Narthex and Ramp Room located in the back of the Sanctuary. We encourage parents to use these resources. As a courtesy, please return materials to the baskets for the next service.

Children's Worship

Feb. 4 - The Sower; Leader: Anne Webb; Greeter: Mike Trail
 Feb. 11 - The Lenten Puzzle: Leader: Tammy Caldwell; Greeters: Bradley and Jake Caldwell
 Feb. 18 - Temptation (Jesus in the Wilderness)
 Feb. 25 - Jesus and the Children: Leader: Diana Harvey

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FEBRUARY 4, 2024

10:30 a.m.

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Don Hardman
 Director of Music & Children's Ministries:
 Mrs. Patricia K. Trail
 Director of Youth & Adult Christian Education:
 Mr. Pete G. Guillard
 Organist: Mr. William Turner
 Handbell Director: Dr. Erma Rose



Presbyterian Community Center Food Needs

February - Cereal & Oatmeal

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

FEBRUARY 4, 2024

PREPARATION, PROMISES AND PRAISE

(We invite you to quiet yourself in preparation for the worship of God when you hear the prelude music.)
Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

Prelude "Moderato" Voigtländer

Call to Worship Rev. Don Hardman

Leader: When Moses gathered the people of Israel, God said,
"I am the Lord your God,
who brought you out of the land of Egypt,
out of the house of bondage."

People: As we gather here today,
let us worship the Lord,
who continues to be our God
and who still brings us out of the places of our bondage.

—based on Exodus 20:1-2

*Hymn "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" No. 53

*Prayer of Adoration

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature. You alone know how often we have sinned: in wandering from your ways; in wasting your gifts; in forgetting your love. Too often we have lived in selfishness and worldly pride and taken for granted the good gifts which you have given us. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, and forgive us for all the ways we have failed to love you and our neighbor. By the grace of your Spirit and the truth of your Word, renew our hearts and strengthen our souls, that we may live in your light and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our only Savior and Lord. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Receive the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

—based on 2 Corinthians 5:17-18

*Gloria Patri No. 735

(Let the children come forward during the singing of the Gloria.)

LISTENING TO THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Time Wendy Andree

Children's Worship is provided for ages 4–2nd grade in Room 205.
Parents, please escort your children to this room.

*Hymn "The Church's One Foundation" No. 347

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Jeremiah 29:11 Page 780

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem "If You Love Me" M.K. Fabian

Janemarie Laucella and Michael Ridenhour

Scripture: Psalm 118:22-23 Page 606

Sermon "God Has A Plan"
Rev. Don Hardman

RESPONSE IN DEDICATION AND OBEDIENCE

Prayers of the People of God and Our Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Affirmation of Faith "The Apostles' Creed" Page 845

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

Offering of Our Gifts and Tithes

Offertory "Adagio" Muffat

*Doxology No. 731

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn "I Love to Tell the Story" No. 478

*Benediction No. 739

Postlude "Fail Me Not, O Holy Christ" Scheidt

*The congregation is asked to stand, as you are able.

Announcements

Prayer Focus
Pray for Godly wisdom and guidance.
Proverbs 3; James 1:5

Summer Mission Team
Reminder

Meetings are the 2nd and 4th Sunday immediately after worship



Next Meeting - February 11

Book Study Group

Please join us for a book study group on Sunday evenings at 5:30 pm. We are presently reading Gentle and Lowly by Dane Ortlund. We have been meeting since the fall and have a lively group but would like to see more folks joining us.

Meeting Place: Don and Wendy Andree's House; 2812 Stephenson Avenue; Roanoke, VA

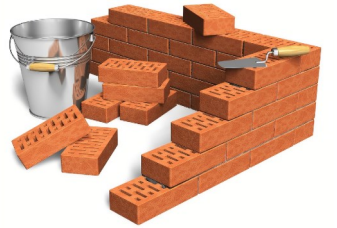
Meeting Times (Currently scheduled): February 4, 11, 25. Future dates TBD

If interested, contact Don or Cameron, or just show up
Don Andree: 804-525-8363; dhandree@gmail.com
Cameron May: Cameron.m.may@gmail.com

First Foundations

9 to 10am 2nd Floor—Room 202

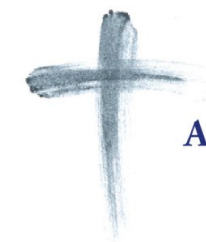
A good foundation is essential in order to have a solid structure... That is true in construction and that is true in the church.



Beginning on February 11th we will have a new Sunday morning class entitled "First Foundations" for those interested in learning more about First EPC, what we believe, the Reformed faith, being Presbyterian, and the Evangelical Presbyterian Church. It is an 8 week opportunity for those considering joining FEPC and for those already here who would like to explore more about who we are and where we believe God is leading us.

Pastor Don and some of our Elders will lead this class.

To help with materials, please call the church office to register or speak with Pastor Don.



Ash Wednesday
— Lent Begins

February 14 there will be an Ash Wednesday Service and pancake dinner beginning at 6pm.