

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

CALENDAR

Today, 2/11 Sunday School, 9:00 am; Worship, 10:30 am; Mission Team Mtg., 11:45 am
Monday, 2/12 Church office closed on Mondays; Sisters in Bible Study (SIBS), 6:00 pm
Tuesday, 2/13 Women in Ministry Bible Study, 11:00 am; Women in Ministry Lunch, 12:00 pm; Men's ZOOM Bible Study, 12:00 pm; Adult Bible Study (ABS), 5:15 pm; Chancel Choir, 6:30 pm
Wednesday, 2/14 Ash Wednesday Pancake Supper & Service, 6:00 pm
Thursday, 2/15 Men's Breakfast, 7:00 am; Staff Mtg., 10:00 am; Men's Bible Study, 2:30 pm
Friday, 2/16 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. 11 - The Lenten Puzzle: Leader: Tammy Caldwell; Greeters: Bradley and Jake Caldwell
 Feb. 18 - Temptation (Jesus in the Wilderness); Leader: Missy Reed
 Feb. 25 - Jesus and the Children: Leader: Diana Harvey

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FEBRUARY 11, 2024

10:30 a.m.

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Don Hardman
 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 11, 2024

PREPARATION, PROMISES AND PRAISE

(We invite you to quiet yourself in preparation for the worship of God when you hear the prelude music.)
O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

Prelude "Dona Nobis Pacem" Wagner

Call to Worship Rev. Don Hardman

Leader: There is none like you, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.

People: All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name.

For you are great and do wondrous things, you alone are God.

—from Psalm 86:8-10

*Hymn "O Worship the King" No. 2

*Prayer of Adoration

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

You did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ.

—Romans 8:15-17

*Gloria Patri No. 735

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

LISTENING TO THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Time Diana Harvey

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

*Hymn "Rejoice, the Lord is King" No. 310

(The congregation may come forward to place their 2¢-A-Meal offering in the container at the front of the Sanctuary)

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Deut. 6:5 Page 178

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem "Lead me, Lord" Samuel Sebastian Wesley

Scripture: 1 John 4:7-10 Page 1207

Sermon "This is Love" 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 "Voluntary in F" Thiman

*Doxology No. 731

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" No. 529

*Benediction No. 739

Postlude "Promenade" Young

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

Announcements

Prayer Focus
Pray you will find your satisfaction in Christ.
Psalm 37:4

Summer Mission Team
Reminder

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



Next Meeting - Today

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 11, 25. Future dates TBD

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



Ash Wednesday Pancake Dinner & Service
Feb. 14, 6:00 pm

Our annual Ash Wednesday pancake dinner is prepared and served by individuals who have been called to represent our church in the mission field and will be doing so this summer. Donations are appreciated. Please come and break bread and fellowship at this special dinner and join us afterwards in Lapsley Chapel for our traditional Ash Wednesday service.

First Foundations

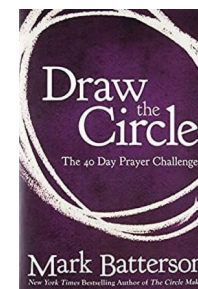
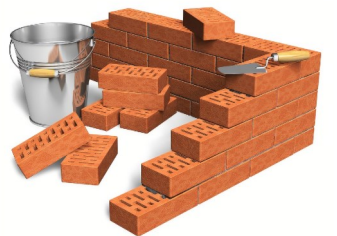
9 to 10am 2nd Floor—Room 202

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

We had our orientation class this morning, but there is still time to join us and learn 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.



The season of Lent is upon us— the 40 day time of spiritual preparation leading up to Easter. This year we are inviting each member of our church family to read and pray through the book entitled "Draw the Circle". It is a 40 day prayer challenge that can will build our faith in the power and purpose of God.

The book will be available at our Ash Wednesday Service (this Wednesday, 6:00 PM and next Sunday the 18th). Please pray with us as we seek together to draw closer to God.