

FIRST EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July, 2019



"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."
--Romans 12:12

Community Prayer@ First

"God's grace flows to us through prayer. That's why prayer must be central, not peripheral, in our lives and families, and ministries."

--John Piper

First EPC is hosting a monthly community prayer gathering the **fourth** Sunday of each month at 6:00pm. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall while our voices come together in prayer. We will pray for one another, our community, our leaders, our country, and more.

We also invite you to prayers for the church and each other Fridays in the Session Room from 9:30 - 10:30 am

I Thessalonians 5:16-21: ¹⁶ Rejoice always, ¹⁷ pray continually, ¹⁸ give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. ¹⁹ Do not quench the Spirit. ²⁰ Do not treat prophecies with contempt ²¹ but test them all; hold on to what is good

Laying a firm foundation in Christ

The Discipleship Commission of First EPC provides the congregation with *Tabletalk* Magazine, a daily devotion. This Ligonier Ministries publication has daily Bible studies that offer structure for your devotional life. Bringing the best in biblical scholarship together with down-to-earth writing, *Tabletalk* helps you understand the Bible and apply it to daily living.

Every issue provides a month's worth of valuable insights that point you to God and his Word by including a short Bible study for each weekday, plus thought-provoking and encouraging articles for the weekends.

If you are looking for an excellent daily devotion guide, pick up a copy of *Tabletalk* in the ramp room.

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On Sundays

Sunday School, 9-10 am

Adult Sunday School Classes:

McClanahan & Good News Class: Room 207 Koinonia & Cornerstone Class: Room 202

The Agape Class: Parlor

It is never too late to join our Sunday School Classes

Church Worship 10:30 am, Sanctuary

Sunday Children

Infants & Toddlers: Room 115

PreK-K: Room 114 Grades 1-5: Room 203

Grades 6-12: Youth Room, downstairs

Weekdays

Mondays:

Church Office Closed Sermon Apps, 7 pm

Tuesdays:

Adult Bible Study (ABS), 5:15 pm

Wednesdays:

Youth Group, 6 pm (except 4th) Feast at First, 6 pm (4th Wed.)

Thursdays:

Men's Breakfast, 7 am (1st & 3rd)

Fridays:

Prayers for the church, 9:30 am

Lectionary Readings:

July 7 - 2 Kings 5:1-14; Psalm 30; Galatians 6:[1-6] 7-16; Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

July 14 - Amos 7:7-17; Psalm 82; Colossians 1:1-14; Luke 10:25-37

July 21 - Amos 8:1-12; Psalm 52; Colossians 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42

July 28 - Hosea 1:2-10; Psalm 85; Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19]; Luke 11:1-13

Upcoming Events

July 4: Independence Day, Church office closed

July 5: Friday's at First, 11 am - 1 pm

July 7 - 14: Mission Trip

July 12: Friday's at First

July 14: Diaconate Mtg., 5 pm

July 19: Friday's at First

July 21: Session Mtg., 6 pm

July 22 - 26: Pre School Summer Camp,

9 am - 1 pm

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Reminders

Elders: Rea Brown, Al Soltis

Sound System

Kaye Wilkerson, Rea Brown, Scott Rice, Mike

Stoots

Greeters

Ramp Room (8:50 - 9; 10 -10:30)

July 7 - Daryl & Carolyn Keyes

July 14 - Ed & Debbie Bennett

July 21 - Ed Kappus

July 28 - Pat Povtak

Narthex (10 - 10:30)

July 7 - Jeanette Hinkle

July 14 - Tom Turner

July 21 - Gary Roth

July 28 - Jeff Povtak

Deacons on Duty

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Birthdays

6 - Charlie Bain

7 - Martha Bensinger

7 - Carol Lockhart

8 - Haley Fedison

8 - Emogene Davis

9 - Ken Powell

9 - Ren Fowen
9 - Bob Collis

11 - Jim Wimmer

11 - Beth Harris

12 - Elizabeth Jones

14 - Al Soltis

20 - Charlotte Bain

23 - Bill Hartman

23 - Barry Webb

23 - Luke Laucella

24 - Dick Jamison

25 - Kenny Rickerson

26 - Susan Dobyns

26 - Mike Stoots

29 - Andy Roberts

29 - Artie Bush

29 - Sam Guelich

30 - Meredith Scott

30 - Monica Scott

Youth Activities

Sunday School, 9 am located downstairs in Youth Room

Bojangles Bible Study 12 pm every Tuesday

Youth Group 6 pm, Wednesdays downstairs in the Youth Room

To my dear church friends —My family joins me in thanking each of you for your love and concern during Jim's illness and his death. Your prayers, visits, calls, cards and notes were so comforting to us. We do appreciate your thoughtfulness. With love, Jane Preston

Church friends - We so appreciate the show of love for us during our mother (grandmothers) illness and death. Love, Randy & Caroline Roberts

"A god who is all love, all grace, all mercy, no sovereignty, no justice, no holiness, and no wrath is an idol."

R. C. Sproul

Elders

<u>Class of 2019</u>

Ed Bennett Phil Brown

Artie Bush Scott Rice

Mike Stoots

Class of 2020

Andrew Fuller Ed Kappus

Gary Roth

Tom Turner

Class of 2021

Rea Brown Mike Bumpass

Bob Collis

Bill Gearhart

Al Soltis

Deacons

Class of 2019
Joyce Barker
Aman

Mary Ann Bennett Dennis Harris

Carolyn Keyes

Sandra McCullar

Melanie Rice Marcia Ridenhour

Jan Tvree

<u>Class of 2020</u> <u>Class of 2021</u>

Amanda Bean Chris Ayers
Linda Brown Susan Blanding

Carol Danielsen Pat Povtak

Susan Guelich Michael Ridenhour Patty Hunt Helen Thompson

Brenda White-Edwards

The Rev. Robert D. Smith, Pastor, bsmith@fpc.roacoxmail.com Mrs. Patricia Trail, Director of Music & Children's Ministries,

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Dr. R. Wayne Gallops, Organist,

Dr. Erma Rose, Handbell Director

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Office Hours: Tuesday—Friday, 8:00 am—4:30 pm

Sunday School begins at 9 am. Sunday worship service begins at 10:30 am in the Sanctuary. Nursery provided for infants and toddlers from 9 am to 12 pm.

Guests always welcome

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