

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):
 Jan. 21 - Teal Bennett
 Jan. 28 - Charles Speck
 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):
 Jan. 21 - Jeff & Pat Povtak
 Jan. 28 - Andrea Guillard
 Feb. 4 - Deborah Mattern
 Feb. 11 - Diana Harvey
 Feb. 18 - Brenda White-Edwards
 Feb. 25 - Lee Slover, Julie Drewry
Deacons on Duty:
 Jan. 21 - Lynn Wimmer, Helen Gearhart Thompson
 Jan. 28 - Alison Boozer, Sheila Harms
Acolytes:
 Jan. 21 - Elizabeth Rice
 Jan. 28 - David Bean
 Feb. 4 - Emma & Kylie Woolard
 Feb. 11 - Bryleigh Trevett
 Feb. 18 - Elizabeth Rice
 Feb. 25 - David Bean

CALENDAR

Today, 1/21 Sunday School, 9:00 am; Worship, 10:30 am; Congregational Mtg., 11:45 am; Session/Diaconate Mtg., immediately after congregational mtg.

Monday, 1/22 Church office closed on Mondays; Sisters in Bible Study (SIBS), 6:00 pm

Tuesday, 1/23 Sisters in Bible Study (SIBS), 10:00 am; Chancel Choir, 6:30 pm

Wednesday, 1/24 FirstKids & FaithWeaver Friends, 6:00 pm; Youth Group, 6:00; Carillonners, 7:00 pm

Thursday, 1/25 Staff Mtg., 10:00 am

Friday, 1/26 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.

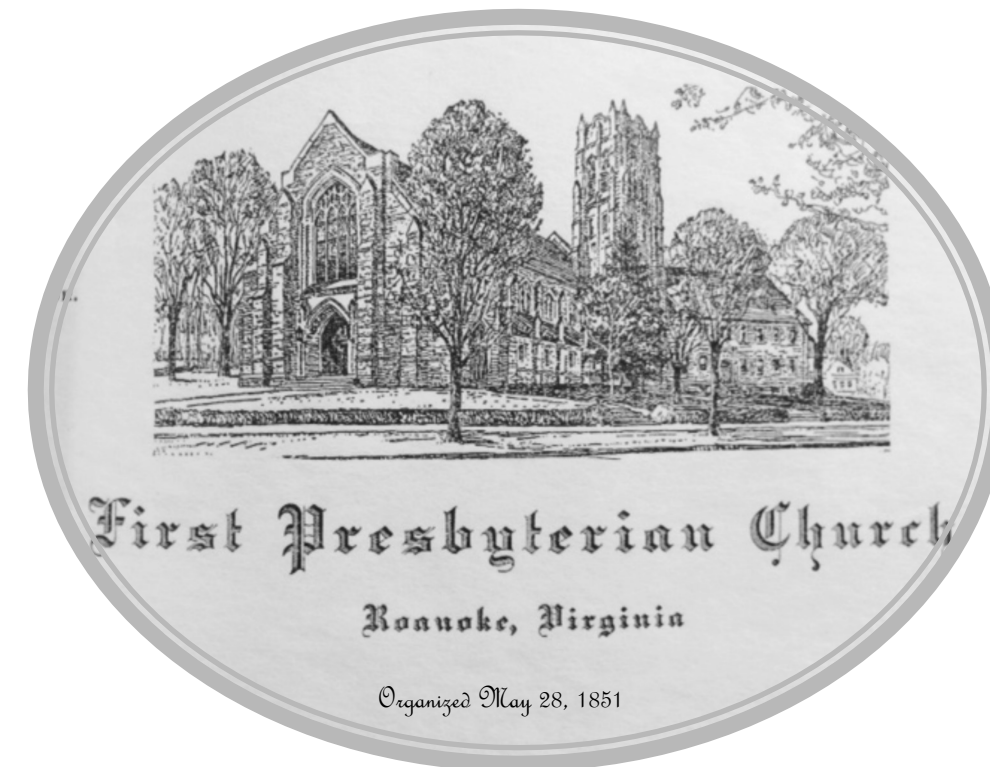
FEPC provides clipboards with crayons and children's bulletins for children to use during the Worship service. There are two options, based on the age of your child. They are located in the baskets in the Narthex and Ramp Room located in the back of the Sanctuary. We encourage parents to use these resources.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

Children's Worship

Jan. 21 - The Mustard Seed; Leader: Anne Webb; Greeter: Pat Povtak
 Jan. 28 - The Great Pearl; Leader: Anne Webb; Greeter: Mike Trail

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JANUARY 21, 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

January - Tuna

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

JANUARY 21, 2024

PREPARATION, PROMISES AND PRAISE

(We invite you to quiet yourself in preparation for the worship of God when you hear the prelude music.)

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

Prelude "Andante religioso" Mendelssohn

Call to Worship Rev. Don Hardman

Leader: The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it;

People: for he has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers.

Leader: Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place?

People: Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false, and do not swear deceitfully.

—Psalm 24:1-4

*Hymn "This Is the Day" No. 389

*Prayer of Adoration

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask for your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

—based on Psalm 51:10-12

*Assurance of Pardon

Hear the Good News! God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! Believe the Good News. In Christ we are forgiven!

—Romans 5:8-9

*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 4–3rd grade in Room 205. Parents, please escort your children to this room.

*Hymn "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" No. 30

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Romans 8:31-32 Page 1119

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem "From All That Dwell Below the Skies" Young

Scripture: Psalm 118:5-9, 18 Page 606

Sermon "God Is For You" 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 "Ah, Holy Jesus" Brahms

*Doxology No. 731

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" No. 32

*Benediction No. 740

Postlude "Postlude in G" Merkel

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

Announcements

Prayer Focus

Pray for a life abiding in Christ. John 15:4-5; Galatians 2:20; Colossians 3:16

Summer Mission Team Reminder

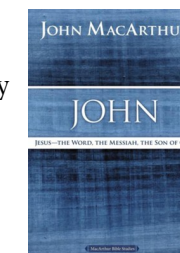
Meetings are the 2nd and 4th Sunday immediately after worship

Next Meeting - January 28



We will have a congregation meeting in the Fellowship Hall following worship to present our financial report from 2023 and share some of where we anticipate God is taking us in 2024. There will be some fund allocation that we are asking the congregation to approve and possibly other matters of finance that we may want the congregation to vote on. So, this is a formal meeting in that regard. However, our main desire is that we can have a time to come together and share the good news of what God is doing at FEPC and understand how we are setting up to go forward with respect to the HVAC loan, our up-coming search for a new pastor, and other matters that may be of interest to our church. To allow us to have ample time to answer questions and cover what could be a host of topics, we are providing lunch.

On Tuesday January 23rd at 10 am the Tuesday morning SIBS (Sisters in Bible Study) will begin a new Bible study using John by John MacArthur. Rescheduled from last week due to inclement weather.



All ladies are welcome.

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, Virginia

Meeting Times (Currently scheduled)
January 28 and February 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

Please join us Jan. 28 from 5 to 5:45 pm in the Parlor for our monthly prayer gathering.

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