

February, 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 hosts 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.

Upcoming Dates: February 24 March 24 April 28

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

### FIRST EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# **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 Sisters in Bible Study (SIBS), 6 pm Sermon Apps, 7 pm

#### **Tuesdays:**

Sisters in Bible Study (SIBS), 9:30 am (except 2<sup>nd</sup>) Women in Ministry, 10:45 am (2<sup>nd</sup>) Adult Bible Study (ABS), 5:15 pm Choir, 6:30 pm

#### Wednesdays:

FirstKids, Youth Group, 6 pm (except 4<sup>th</sup>)

Feast at First, 6 pm (4<sup>th</sup> Wed.)

#### Thursdays:

Men's Breakfast, 7 am (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>) Men's Bible Study, 2:30 pm (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>) 5:30 pm (2<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>)

#### Fridays:

Prayers for the church, 9:30 am

### **Lectionary Readings:**

### **February**

Feb. 3 - Jeremiah 1:4–10 Psalm 71:1–6 1 Corinthians 13:1–13 Luke 4:21–30 Feb. 10 - Isaiah 6:1–8 (9–13) Psalm 138 1 Corinthians 15:1–11 Luke 5:1–11 Feb. 17 - Jeremiah 17:5–10 Psalm 1 1 Corinthians 15:12–20 Luke 6:17–26

Feb. 24 - Genesis 45:3–11, 15 Psalm 37:1–11, 39–40 1 Corinthians 15:35–38, 42–50 Luke 6:27–38

### **Upcoming Events**

Feb. 1 - Children's Lock In
Feb. 2 - Elder Retreat
Feb. 10 - Diaconate Mtg.
Feb. 16 - Blood Drive
Feb. 21 - 24 - Men's Golf Trip
Feb. 27 - Feast at First

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### Reminders

Elders: Gary Roth, Mike Stoots Sound System Kaye Wilkerson, Rea Brown, Scott Rice, Mike Stoots Greeters **Ramp Room** (8:50 - 9; 10 - 10:30) Feb. 3 - Nancy Poore Feb. 10 - Linda Brown Feb. 17 - Lee Slover, Julie Drewry Feb. 24 - Sandy McCullar Narthex (10 - 10:30) Feb. 3 - Jeff & Pat Povtak Feb. 10 - Barry & Anne Webb Feb. 17 - Daryl & Carolyn Keys Feb. 24 - Caroline Roberts **Bread Delivery** Feb. 3 - Nancy Poore Feb. 17 - Artie & Catherine Bush **Deacons on Duty** Feb. 3 - Brenda White-Edwards, Helen Thompson Feb. 10 - Susan Blanding, Mary Ann Bennett Feb. 17 - Joyce Barker, Amanda Bean Feb. 24 - Marcia Ridenhour, Michael Ridenhour

## **Birthdays**

- 1 Tori Petty
- 8 Gary Roth
- 9 Cathy Loving-Kirk
- 10 Emma Hartman
- 11 Will Jones
- 12 Terra Wiley
- 14 Jo Anne Baldwin
- 19 Joan Ward
- 24 Michael Ridenhour

- 25 Ken Ward
- 26 David Hurst
- 27 Eliza Bain
- 28 Caroline Roberts

## Youth Activities

Sunday School, 9 am located downstairs in Youth Room

Bojangles Bible Study 7 am every Tuesday

Youth Group 6 pm, Wednesdays downstairs in the Youth Room



"Grace is the pleasure of God to magnify the worth of God by giving sinners the right and power to delight in God without obscuring the glory of God."

- John Piper

#### **Elders**

<u>Class of 2019</u> Ed Bennett Phil Brown Artie Bush Scott Rice Mike Stoots

<u>Class of 2020</u> Andrew Fuller Ed Kappus Gary Roth Tom Turner Terra Wiley

<u>Class of 2021</u> Rea Brown Mike Bumpass Bob Collis Bill Gearhart Al Soltis

#### Deacons

<u>Class of 2019</u> Joyce Barker Mary Ann Bennett Dennis Harris Sandra McCullar Melanie Rice Marcia Ridenhour Jan Tyree Class of 2020QAmanda BeanQLinda BrownSCarol DanielsenFSusan GuelichMPatty HuntFBrenda White-Edwards

<u>Class of 2021</u>

Chris Ayers Susan Blanding Pat Povtak Michael Ridenhour Helen Thompson

The Rev. Robert D. Smith, Pastor, bsmith@fpc.roacoxmail.com
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Dr. R. Wayne Gallops, Organist,
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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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