

Elders
Class of 2023
 Robert Broyles
 Phillip Brown
 Andrew Fuller
 Lewana Richardson
 Emery St. Cyr
 Tom Turner

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

Class of 2025
 Don Andree
 Stuart Bain
 Doug McLaughlin
 David Smith

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 2023
 Pat Guerrant
 Sheila Harms
 Jeanette Hinkle
 Linda Kappus
 Melanie Rice
 Marcia Ridenhour

Class of 2024
 Debbra Bennett
 Alison Boozer
 Linda Brown
 Clifford (Bud) Dery
 Carolyn Keyes
 Kim Smith
 Brenda White-Edwards

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

Reminders

Elders: Rea Brown & Don Andree
Sound System: Kaye Wilkerson, Scott Rice, Rea Brown
Greeters Ramp Room (8:50-9:00 & 10:00-10:30):
 Aug. 6 - Daryl & Carolyn Keyes
 Aug. 13 - Linda Brown
 Aug. 20 - Dick & Jean Jamison
 Aug. 27 - Doug & Marlene Flynn
Greeters Narthex (10:00-10:30):
 Aug. 6 -
 Aug. 13 - Brenda White-Edwards
 Aug. 20 - Lee Slover & Julie Drewry
 Aug. 27 - Bill & Karen Brooks
Deacons on Duty:
 Aug. 6 - Brenda White-Edwards, Donna Broyles
 Aug. 13 - Lynn Wimmer, Sheila Harms
 Aug. 20 - Karen Brooks, Linda Kappus
 Aug. 27 - Linda Brown, Alison Boozer
Acolytes:
 Aug. 6 - Bryleigh Trevett
 Aug. 13 - Elizabeth Rice
 Aug. 20 - Bryleigh Trevett
 Aug. 27 - Charlotte Bain
Nursery:
 Aug. 6 - Tammy Caldwell
 Aug. 13 - Camille Soukup
 Aug. 20 - Roseanne Bumpass
 Aug. 27 - Mike Trail

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in memory of Ted Richardson on his birthday from Pat and family.

CALENDAR

Today, 8/6 Sunday School, 9:00 am; Worship, 10:30 am; Diaconate Mtg., 11:45 am
Monday, 8/7 Church office closed on Mondays
Tuesday, 8/8 Men's ZOOM Bible Study, 12:00 pm; Adult Bible Study (ABS); 5:15 pm
Wednesday, 8/9 FirstKids & FaithWeaver Friends, 6:00 pm; Youth Group, 6:00
Thursday, 8/10 Mission & Outreach Commission, 5:30 pm
Friday, 8/11 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**

Greetings from First Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Good morning and welcome to First Evangelical Presbyterian Church. We are glad you are here, and if you are visiting, we pray that you will return often and that you will consider joining us here at First church in Ministry and Service. First EPC is a caring family of all ages. Children and families are special to us, and this is a great place to make new friends and to grow in Christian Discipleship.

You can join First EPC by Profession of Faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior; Reaffirmation of Faith if you have already made a Profession of Faith but have not been active in a church for some time; or by Transfer of Letter if you have been a member of another Church and now want to join First EPC. We do hope you will consider joining us here.

Just speak to the two Elders at the right front of our Sanctuary at the end of our Service today!

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.

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AUGUST 6, 2023

10:30 a.m.

Transitional Pastor: The Rev. 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

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

AUGUST 6, 2023

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PREPARATION, PROMISES AND PRAISE

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

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

WELCOME AND INVITATION TO SHARE OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

Prelude "Morning Hymn" Young

Call to Worship The Rev. Don Hardman

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

People: Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. -Psalm 95:1-2

*Hymn "Amazing Grace" No. 460

*Prayer of Adoration

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Friends, hear the Good News: He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

Know this to be true. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! -1 Peter 2:24

*Gloria Patri No. 735

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

LISTENING TO THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Time Julie Drewry

*Hymn "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less" Page 521

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Psalm 84:11 Page 584

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: "O, How I Love Jesus" arr. Larson

Scripture: Romans 3:21 - 31

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Sermon "Awesome, Amazing Grace" The Rev. Don Hardman

RESPONSE IN DEDICATION AND OBEDIENCE

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

*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 Ourselves to God and to One Another

Our Greetings

Offertory "Chorale Prelude on Song 13" Willan

Our Gratitude

"The Doxology" No. 731

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn "Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It" No. 701

Benediction "Amen" No. 740

Postlude "Finale in D Minor" Thiman

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

Announcements



Presbyterian Community Center Food Needs

August - Canned fruit

Prayer Focus

Pray for courage to make God the sole desire of your heart.

Ps. 73:25-26; Ps. 63:1-5

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunity at The Rescue Mission of Roanoke

- Seeking 8 people to serve supper on Friday, August 18th
- Volunteers need to be at the Rescue Mission from 4:15 to 6:15
- Please sign up in the Ramp Room (sheet is on the desk)

Dear Church Family,

Cameron May and Don Andree would like to invite all who may be interested in a new Bible Study to Don Andree's house on Sunday, August 6th at 7:00pm. The address is 2812 Stephenson Ave, Roanoke, Va.

We will be using a book called Gentle and Lowly: The Heart of Christ for Sinners and Sufferers - by Dane Ortlund as our guide. We expect our time together to be a time of lively discussion and deep Biblical study.

Please consider attending. We are hopeful this study will be a blessing.

Cameron & Don



Today we welcome Don and Barbara Hardman to FEPC. Don was selected by our Search Committee and our Session to serve as our Transitional Pastor (TP). Both Don and Barbara are native West Virginians where Don attended West Virginia University and Morris Harvey College (now the University of Charleston).

After graduating from college, Don worked as an officer in the Trust Department of a large bank in Charleston, WV. Sensing God calling him into full time ordained ministry, he and Barbara, along with their family, moved to Richmond, VA to attend Union Theological Seminary where he graduated in 1977 with a Doctor of Ministry degree.

After graduation Don and Barbara have served numerous churches in North Carolina and retired in 2015 from Lebanon EPC near Charlottesville, VA. Since "retiring" and moving to North Myrtle Beach, SC, Don has occasionally preached in several churches and ministered in 3 longer term transitional pastorates. Most recently at Buffalo EPC in Greensboro for just over 2 years. He and Barbara, both, love the Lord, love people, and love the church. They are excited about continuing to serve in ministry.

Barbara and Don have been blessed with three, now adult, daughters who live in Maryland, Virginia, and North Carolina.

Welcome Don and Barbara!