

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 Melanie Rice (Children) or Pete Guillard (Youth).

Class - Age	Room	Teachers
Children's Ministry		
Infants & Toddlers	115	Amanda Young
PreK-K-1	114	
Children's Sunday School 2-5	Library	Kaye Wilkerson
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

Class of 2026
 Wendy Andree
 Tamara Caldwell
 Bobby Caudle
 Cameron May
 Sandy McCullar
 Carolyn Moore

Reminders

Elders: Al Soltis, Bob Collis
Sound System: Kaye Wilkerson, Scott Rice, Rea Brown, Bill Brooks
Greeters Ramp Room (8:50-9:00 & 10:00-10:30):
 July 21 - Teal Bennett
 July 28 - Charles Speck
 Aug. 4 - Nancy Gillespie
 Aug. 11 - Daryl & Carolyn Keyes
 Aug. 18 - Bud & Jesse Derey
 Aug. 25 - Linda Brown
Greeters Narthex (10:00-10:30):
 July 21 - Jeff & Pat Povtak
 July 28 - Andrea Guillard
 Aug. 4 - Deborah Mattern
 Aug. 11 - Diana Harvey
 Aug. 18 - Mike & Roseanne Bumpass
 Aug. 25 - Lee Slover & Julie Drewry
Deacons on Duty:
 July 21 - Tammy Caldwell, Susan Blanding
 July 28 - Marlene Flynn, Brenda Edwards
 Aug. 4 - Carolyn Keyes, Alison Boozer
 Aug. 11 - Mary Thornhill, Marcia Ridenhour
 Aug. 18 - Susan Blanding, Kim Smith
 Aug. 25 - Shelia Harms, Carolyn Keyes
Acolytes:
 July 21 - Emma & Kylie Woolard
 July 28 - Bryleigh Trevett
 Aug. 4 - Elizabeth Rice
 Aug. 11 - David Bean
 Aug. 18 - Emma & Kylie Woolard
 Aug. 25 - Bryleigh Trevett

CALENDAR

Today, 7/21 Sunday School, 9:00 am; Worship, 10:30 am; Session Meeting, 5:00 pm
Monday, 7/22 Church office closed on Mondays
Tuesday, 7/23 Men's ZOOM Bible Study, 12:00 pm; Adult Bible Study (ABS), 5:15 pm; Chancel Choir, 6:30 pm
Wednesday, 7/24 FirstKids Adventure Camp, 4:30 pm; Youth Group, 6:00 pm
Thursday, 7/25 Staff Meeting, 10:00 am
Friday, 7/26 Prayer Mtg., 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**

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
 We have ended for the summer. We will resume in September.
 Nursery for young children is available.

Sermon Notes

First Evangelical Presbyterian Church

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JULY 21, 2024
 10:30 a.m.

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Don Hardman
 Director of Music: Rev. Keith Olivier
 Director of Youth & Adult Christian Education:
 Mr. Pete G. Guillard
 Organist: Mr. William Turner
 Handbell Director: Dr. Erma Rose



Presbyterian Community Center Food Needs

July - Peanut Butter & Jelly
 August - Canned Fruit

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

JULY 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.)

Almighty God, thank you for the love and mercy poured out upon us. You are, indeed, our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Comfort us as we come to find shelter from the evils of our world and give us courage and strength to stand as faithful servants of your kingdom. Revive us, in this time of worship, by the grace of your Holy Spirit. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

Prelude "Shall We Gather at the River" Robert Lowry

Call to Worship Rev. Don Hardman

Leader: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

People: Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

People: For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations. —Psalm 100

*Hymn "Jesus Calls Us" No. 591

*Prayer of Adoration

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

Almighty and most merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We confess our disobedience and ingratitude, our pride and self-pity. Have mercy upon us, O God; and forgive us where we have failed. In your great goodness and love, and by the sanctifying power of your Holy Spirit, help us to amend what we have done; and, for the sake of your glory, direct that we may walk in the light of life, living our lives pleasing in your sight; through your Son, our Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ; in whose name we pray. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Friends, hear the Good News! When you were dead in trespasses... God made you alive together with Christ, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross.

Thanks be to God! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! —from Colossians 2:13-14

*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

*Hymn "My Jesus, I Love You" No. 648

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 2:9 Page

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem "Jesu, the very thought of thee" by Simon Lole

Scripture: John 21:15-22 Page 1075

Sermon "Living with Focus" 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 "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" Irish Melody

*Doxology No. 731

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn "Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us" No. 599

*Benediction No. 739

Postlude "Lord of the Dance" Shaker Tune

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

Announcements

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.

Lemonade on the Lawn

Join us for "Lemonade on the Lawn" today immediately after church and continuing through the summer. Please linger awhile, help yourself to some lemonade and enjoy each other's company before you leave.



Prayer Focus

Thank God for Christ's death and resurrection. Rom. 4:25; Rom. 1:4; Rev. 1:18; 1 Cor. 15:20-23

Please join us July 28 at 5 pm in the Parlor for our monthly prayer gathering.

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

Operating Fund Revenue thru 6/30/24
YTD Budgeted Giving \$310,640
YTD Actual Giving \$312,771
Surplus/(Deficit) \$2,131
Thank you for your faithful giving.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

THE RESCUE MISSION OF ROANOKE

- Seeking 7 people to serve **supper** on **Saturday, August 10th**
- Volunteers need to be at the Rescue Mission from 4:15pm to 6:15pm
- Please sign up in the Ramp Room (sheet is on the desk)

