

CALENDAR

- Today, 1/19** Sunday School, 9:00 am; Worship, 10:30 am; Diaconate Mtg., 11:45; Session Mtg., 5:00 pm
- Monday, 1/20** Church office closed on Mondays; SIBS (Sisters in Bible Study), 6:00 pm
- Tuesday, 1/21** Sisters in Bible Study (SIBS), 10:00 am; Men's ZOOM Bible Study, 12:00 pm; Adult Bible Study (ABS), 5:15 pm; Chancel Choir, 6:30 pm
- Wednesday, 1/22** Youth Group & First Kids, 6:00 pm; Carillonneurs, 7:00 pm
- Thursday, 1/23**
- Friday, 1/24** 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 Nursery**

There is a nursery available for infants and children up through and including kindergarten.  
 Children from first grade up should remain in the service and worship with their family.

**Elders**  
Class of 2025  
 Stuart Bain  
 Richard Harvey  
 Doug McLaughlin

Class of 2026  
 Don Andree  
 Robert Broyles  
 David Smith

Class of 2027  
 Mike Abbott  
 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
<b>Children's Ministry</b>		
Infants & Toddlers	115	Amanda Young
PreK-K-1	114	
Children's Sunday School 2-5	Library	Melanie Rice
<b>Youth</b>		
Grades 6-12	Youth Rm	Pete Guillard

Adult Sunday School  
 McClanahan /Good News - Room 207  
 Koinonia/Cornerstone - Parlor

**Reminders**

- Elders:** Scott Rice, Dave Smith
- Sound System:** Kaye Wilkerson, Scott Rice, Rea Brown
- Greeters Ramp Room (8:50-9:00 & 10:00-10:30):**
  - Jan. 12 - David & Kathy Akers
  - Jan. 19 - Teal Bennett
  - Jan. 26 - Diana Harvey
- Greeters Narthex (10:00-10:30):**
  - Jan. 12 - Sandy McCullar
  - Jan. 19 - Jeff & Pat Povtak
  - Jan. 26 - Martha Minter
- Deacon on Duty:**
  - Jan. 12 - Helen Gearhart Thompson
  - Jan. 19 - Marlene Flynn
  - Jan. 26 - Wendy Andree



**Presbyterian Community Center Food Needs**

Jan. - Tuna

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JANUARY 19, 2025

10:30 a.m.

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

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

JANUARY 19, 2025

## 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, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## WELCOME AND INVITATION TO SHARE OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

Prelude "Andante espressivo" Froberger

Call to Worship Rev. Don Hardman

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. His love endures forever.

People: Give thanks to the God of gods. His love endures forever.

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord of lords: His love endures forever.

People: Give thanks to the God of heaven. His love endures forever.

-Psalm 136:1-3, 26 NIV

\*Hymn "Come, Thou Almighty King" No. 101

\*Prayer of Adoration

\*Prayer of Confession (unison)

Giving and forgiving God, you see our hearts and know the secret sins we would rather hide. But trusting in your mercy we confess our failure to be the people you have regenerated us to be. You have sent Jesus to us and given us your Spirit, but in a world where nothing seems free, we have difficulty simply receiving, by faith alone, the salvation that comes by your free grace. O God, we so easily fall into the mistaken belief that we must understand enough, be good enough, follow the rules well enough, pray or attend church often enough, or work hard enough at worthy causes, as if we could earn your favor, as if we could earn the assurance that we are members of your kingdom, and inheritors with Christ of eternal life. The result is fear and anxiety, guilt and insecurity. Our sin lies heavily upon us. Help us to receive anew the assurance that you have forgiven us in Christ, and that our rebirth is by your Spirit alone. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

\*Assurance of Pardon

"For the sake of the joy that was set before him Jesus endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God." Our faith depends on him from start to finish, and he unceasingly intercedes on our behalf. Therein abides our hope and our assurance. Thanks be to God!

\*Gloria Patri No. 735

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

Children's Time Kim Smith

\*Hymn "Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken" No. 345

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.

Anthem "In Remembrance" by Buryl Red

Offering of Our Gifts and Tithes

Offertory "Improvisation on Hyfrydol" Manz

\*Doxology No. 731

\*Prayer of Dedication

Scripture: Matthew 7:24-27 page 961

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon "Right From The Start" Rev. Don Hardman

\*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

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

(Take the bread as served; hold the cup to take together.)

Hymn "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less" No. 521

\*Benediction No. 739

Postlude "How Firm a Foundation" arr. Hustad

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\*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.

Prayer Focus

Pray for courage and protection.  
Psalm 91

Summer Mission Team  
Reminder

Meetings are the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday immediately after worship

Next Meeting - January 26



First Wednesday Book Club Feb. 5. The first part will be discussion of "The Fisherman's Testament" (January selection), then "Some Wildflower in My Heart" (February selection).



Please join us January 26 at  
5 pm in the Parlor for our monthly prayer gathering.

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



This will be our Annual Corporate meeting and a time to share about what's happening on the financial front for the past year and the budget for 2025.