

CALENDAR

- Today, 3/9** Sunday School, 9:00 am; Worship, 10:30 am; Mission Team Mtg., after Worship; Circle of Hope Book Club, 5:30 pm
- Monday, 3/10** Church office closed on Mondays; Sisters in Bible Study (SIBS), 6:00 pm
- Tuesday, 3/11** Women in Ministry Bible Study, 11:00 am; Women in Ministry Lunch, 12:00 pm; Men's ZOOM Bible Study, 12:00 pm; Adult Bible Study (ABS), 5:15 pm; Chancel Choir, 6:30 pm
- Wednesday, 3/12** First Kids & Youth Group, 6:00 pm; Carillonners, 7:00 pm
- Thursday, 3/13** Worship/Discipleship Commission Mtg., 12:30 pm; Outreach Ministries Mtg., 5:00 pm
- Friday, 3/14** Prayer mtg., 9:30 am; Administration Commission, 3:00 pm

*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.

BEGINNING MARCH 9, 5:30 PM
HOME OF DON & WENDY ANDREE
2812 STEPHENSON AVE. ROANOKE, VA

**CIRCLE OF
HOPE BOOK
CLUB**

We will be reading C.S. Lewis' The Screwtape Letters
All are welcome. Bring a friend as this is a great way to introduce friends to the FEPC family.
If you have questions, contact Don (804-525-8363) or Wendy (540-761-2855)

Elders <u>Class of 2025</u> Stuart Bain Richard Harvey Doug McLaughlin <u>Class of 2026</u> Don Andree Robert Broyles David Smith <u>Class of 2027</u> 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
	Children's Ministry		
	Infants & Toddlers	115	Amanda Young
	PreK-K-1	114	
	Children's Sunday School 2-5	Library	Melanie Rice
	Youth		
	Grades 6-12	Youth Rm	Pete Guillard
	Adult Sunday School McClanahan /Good News - Room 207 Koinonia/Cornerstone - Parlor		

Deacons <u>Class of 2025</u> Susan Blanding Marlene Flynn Marcia Ridenhour Helen Thompson <u>Class of 2026</u> Wendy Andree Bobby Caudle Cameron May Sandra McCullar <u>Class of 2027</u> Karen Brooks Donna Broyles Tammy Caldwell Carolyn Moore	Reminders	
	Elders: Michael Ridenhour, Don Andree	
	Sound System: Kaye Wilkerson, Scott Rice, Rea Brown	
	Greeters Ramp Room (8:50-9:00 & 10:00-10:30):	
	Mar. 9 - Sue Brown	
	Mar. 16 - Charles Speck	
	Mar. 23 - Bob & Donna Broyles	
	Mar. 30 - Don & Wendy Andree	
	Greeters Narthex (10:00-10:30):	
	Mar. 9 - Sara King	
Mar. 16 - Barry & Anne Webb		
Mar. 23 - Deborah Matter		
Mar. 30 - Ed & Debbie Bennett		
Deacon on Duty:		
Mar. 9 - Helen Thompson		
Mar. 16 - Karen Brooks		
Mar. 23 - Susan Blanding		
Mar. 30 - Karen Brooks		



Presbyterian Community Center Food Needs
March - Cereal and Oat meal

First Evangelical Presbyterian Church

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MARCH 9, 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

MARCH 9, 2025

PREPARATION, PROMISES AND PRAISE

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

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

WELCOME AND INVITATION TO SHARE OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

Prelude "Jesus, Priceless Treasure" by Crüger

Call to Worship Rev. Don Hardman

Leader: Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy.

People: For the LORD, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth.

Leader: God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

People: Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.

*Hymn "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" No. 53

*Prayer of Adoration

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

Almighty and merciful God, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us and allow that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

For the Father has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son He loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Friends, believe this good news. In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven. -Colossians 1:13-14

*Gloria Patri No. 735

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

Children's Time Keith Olivier

*Hymn "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" No. 679

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 "Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God" by Carl F. Mueller

Offering of Our Gifts and Tithes

Offertory "Meditation from Thäis" Massenet

*Doxology No. 731

*Prayer of Dedication

Scripture: John 5:1-18 page 1054

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon "The Path to Wholeness" 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 "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" No. 481

*Benediction No. 739

Postlude "O Lord, We Praise You" Walther

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

This morning during the last hymn we will receive a Communion Offering which serves to help those in need within and without our church family. We will remain seated during this hymn.

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 a healthy fear of God & His Word to be rooted in you. Ps. 111:10; Prov. 15:33; Ps. 86:11; Prov. 23:17

Summer Mission Team Reminder

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

Next Meeting - TODAY



chili cook off

& BAKED GOODS SALE TO SUPPORT THE MISSION TEAM

March 23, 2025

AFTER WORSHIP

FIRST EPC FELLOWSHIP HALL



FIRST WEDNESDAY

BOOK CLUB

APRIL 2: 9:30 AM

We will be discussing, "Lord Foulgrin's Letters" by Randy Alcorn. Fashioned after The Screwtape Letters of C. S. Lewis, these letters give us a peek into the mind of our enemy. You can order from Amazon, your favorite bookstore, or borrow from the library. Come, bring a friend or neighbor, and prepare for a time of discussion and fellowship. Kathy Akers 540-761-2008.

