Elders Class of 2024	<u>Sunday School 9:00 am</u> It is never too late for Children and Youth to join our Sunday				
Rea Brown	School Classes. If you need more information, please contact				
Mike Bumpass	Melanie Rice (Children) or Pete Guillard (Youth).				
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Bill Gearhart	Class - Age	Room	Teachers	Tues	
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Richard Harvey	PreK-K-1	114			
Doug McLaughlin David Smith	Children's Sunday School 2-5	Library	Kaye Wilkerson		
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Гoday, 8/18	Sunday School, 9:00 am; Worship, 10:30 am; Session
	Mtg., 5:00 pm
Monday, 8/19	Church office closed on Mondays
Fuesday, 8/20	Men's ZOOM Bible Study, 12:00 pm; Adult Bible Study
	(ABS), 5:15 pm
Wednesday, 8/21	PS Board Mtg., 9:00 am; Youth Group, 6:00 pm
Thursday, 8/22	Saff Meeting, 10:00 am
Friday, 8/23	Prayer Mtg., 9:30 am

learing devices are located in the Narthex to assist in listening to today's service FEPC Wi-Fi guest password is Guest2101*

ovides clipboards with crayons and children's bulletins for children to use during hip service. There are two options, based on the age of your child. They are locatbaskets in the Narthex and Ramp Room located in the back of the Sanctuary. We e parents to use these resources. As a courtesy, please return materials to the bashe next service.

Children's Worship We have ended for the summer. We will resume in September. Nursery for young children is available.			
Operating Fund Revenue through 7/31/24			
YTD Budgeted Giving	\$362,413		
YTD Actual Giving	\$348,326		
Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$14,087)		

Thank you for your faithful giving



Please join us August 25 at 5 pm in the Parlor for our monthly prayer gathering. "Be joyfal in hope, patient in affliction, faithfal in prayer." -- Rom. 12:12

welcome Andrew Phillips as our guest organist. Andrew is a student Turner in the First Music Academy. _____



Presbyterian Community Center Food Needs

August - Canned Fruit

First Evangelical Presbyterian Church

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AUGUST 18, 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

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

AUGUST 18, 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, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of this redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Prelude	"My Heart is Filled with Longing"	by J. S. Bach				
Call to Worshi	D.					
Leader: Our h	earts are ready, O Lord,					
our h	earts are ready!					
People: We w	ill sing and make melody!					
We w	vill awaken the dawn!					
Leader: We w	ill give thanks to you, O Lord, among the	e peoples,				
we wi	ll sing praises to you among the nations.					
People: For your steadfast love is great above the heavens,						
and y	our faithfulness reaches to the clouds.	-based on Psalm 108:1-4				
*Hymn	"Come, Though Almighty King"	No. 101				
*Prayer of Ador	ation					

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

Almighty and all-holy Father: we confess ourselves unworthy of your unspeakable gift. We have not loved you as we ought; nor have we always been loving to one another, nor kind-hearted, forgiving one another, even as you, for Christ's sake, have forgiven us. We have too often forgotten vour goodness, and taken your blessings for granted. In your mercy, forgive and blot out our offenses through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. Renew our minds, sanctify our hearts, and transform our lives by the indwelling power of your Holy Spirit. Having received the grace of your compassion, may we be more gracious and compassionate toward others. Having received your blessings for body and soul, may we be truly thankful, mindful of the needs of others, and ever willing to follow Him who said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." May we no longer live for ourselves but for Him who loved us and gave up Himself for us; in whose name we pray. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news: This saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Thanks be to God! -based on 1 Timothy 1:15; 1 Peter 2:24

*Gloria Patri

No. 735

No. 599

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

*Hymn

"Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us"

Offering of Our Gifts and Tithes Offertory "Jesu, meine Freude" by J. Walther *Doxology No. 731 *Prayer of Dedication Anthem "As the Deer" by Martin Nystrom Carolyn Fedison, Soprano Soloist Scripture: Matthew 18:5-14 Leader: This is the word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God. Prayer of Illumination Sermon "Moving Toward Holiness - Others" 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 *Hymn "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian' No. 530 *Benediction No. 739 Postlude by D. Buxtehude "Toccata"

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

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.

This Fall, Monday Nite SIBS (Sisters in Bible Study) will study **Discerning the** Voice of God: How to Recognize When God Speaks by Priscilla Shirer. We meet each Monday 6:00 - 7:30 pm. We will kick off our year and hand out books at a fellowship gathering 9/16 at the home of Ter ra Wiley and then begin our study the following Monday 9/23 in room 202 at the church.

are \$20 each. _____

During the month of August our Worship Commission is offering different formats for our order of worship. We welcome any thoughts that you might share which could make our worship experience more meaningful. In order to collect these suggestions, please make them via email or in writing and send them to the church office at lwright@fepcroanoke.org

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.

Announcements

Prayer Focus Pray for a life abiding in Christ. John 15:4-5; Galatians 2:20; Colossians 3:16

FIRST WEDNESDAY BOOK CLUB

Beginning Sept 4 we will meet the 1st Wednesday of each month 9:30AM in the church parlor. Come prepared to discuss the FIRST book selection "Safely Home" by Randy Alcorn. (You can order from Amazon, your favorite bookstore or borrow from your local library.) Come, bring a friend or neighbor and prepare for a time of discussion and fellowship. Kathy Akers 540 769 2008







We would love to have you join us in this study! If you are interested, please reach out to Chris Ayers so a book can be ordered for you. The study guides

You may call or text 540/798-6919 or email robert.chris.ayers@cox.net