

## CALENDAR

Today, 6/21	9:00 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Worship 5:00 pm – Session Meeting, Session Room
Monday, 6/22	
Tuesday, 6/23	12:00 pm – Men's ZOOM Bible Study 5:15 pm – Adult Bible Study, Library 6:30 pm – Chancel Choir
Wednesday, 6/24	6:00 pm – Youth Group
Thursday, 6/25	
Friday, 6/26	9:30 am – Friday Prayer Group, Library

## Reminders

**Elders:** Barry Caldwell & Mike Abbott

**Deacon on Duty:**

June 21 – Donna Broyles  
June 28 – Tammy Caldwell  
July 5 – Bob Caudle  
July 12 – Wendy Andree

**Sound System:**

June 21 – Scott Rice  
June 28 – Eric LaPrad  
July 5 – Rea Brown  
July 12 – Scott Rice

**Greeters:**

**Narthex (10:00-10:30):**

June 21 – Kaye Ward  
June 28 – Barry & Anne Webb  
July 5 – Sandy McCullar  
July 12 – David & Pam Beckner

**Ramp Room (8:50-9:00 & 10:00-10:30):**

June 21 – Bob & Donna Broyles  
June 28 – Don & Wendy Andree  
July 5 – Teal Bennett  
July 12 – David & Cathy Akers

### Sunday School 9:00 am

**Adult Bible Study**

Library – Koinonia/Cornerstone  
Room 207 – McClanahan / Good News

**Youth (Grades 6th-12th)**

Youth Room – Pete Guillard

**Children's Ministry (Grades K-5)**

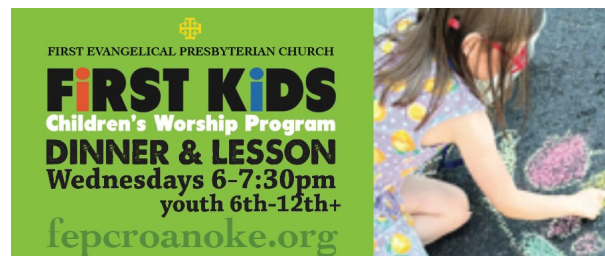
Room 205 – Melanie Rice



Hearing devices are located in the Narthex to assist in listening to today's service

FEPC Wi-Fi guest password is Guest2101\*

You can listen to our services by going to our website, [www.fepcroanoke.org](http://www.fepcroanoke.org), and clicking on the sermons link.



FiRST KiDS! 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. We encourage parents to use these resources. As a courtesy, please return materials to the baskets for the next service.

## First Evangelical Presbyterian Church



JUNE 21, 2026

10:30 a.m.

### First Evangelical Presbyterian Church

2101 South Jefferson Street  
Roanoke, Virginia 24014-0538  
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[www.fepcroanoke.org](http://www.fepcroanoke.org)

Pastor: Rev. Jeff Schrage  
Director of Music: Rev. Keith Olivier  
Director of Christian Education: Mr. Pete Guillard  
Organist: Mr. William Turner  
Handbell Director: Dr. Erma Rose

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

JUNE 21, 2026

## PREPARATION, PROMISES, AND PRAISE

*O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; 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

### Chiming of the Bells

With the Chiming of the Bells, please observe silence as we prepare for Worship.

### Welcome & Announcements

Prelude "Antiphon III" Dupré

\*Call to Worship Rev. Jeff Schrage

Leader: Exalt the Lord our God;  
worship at his footstool!  
Holy he is!

People: **I, through the abundance of your steadfast love,  
will enter the house.**

**I will bow down toward your holy temple  
in the fear of you**

—Psalm 99:5 & 5:7 ESV

\*Hymn of Adoration "God of Our Fathers" No.710

### Prayer of Confession (unison)

**Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and 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. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus, our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Hymn of Response "Jesus Calls Us" No.591

### Assurance of Pardon

*As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him. For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.*

—Psalms 103:13-14

\*Gloria Patri No. 735

\*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**

(Parents may take children to the nursery.)

Anthem "Be Thou My Vision" arranged by Dan Forrest

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

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy 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.**

### Offering of Our Gifts and Tithes

Offertory "Amazing Grace" arr. Held

\*Doxology No. 731

### \*Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Hymn of Praise "Faith of Our Fathers!" No.570

\*Scripture: Ezra 2:1-35 Page 461-462

### Prayer of Illumination

Sermon "Choose This Day"  
Rev. Jeff Schrage

\*Departure Hymn "O Jesus, I Have Promised" No.654

\*Benediction Romans 15:13

*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.*

Postlude "Rise Up, O Men of God" arr. Young

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

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## Welcome to First Evangelical Presbyterian Church

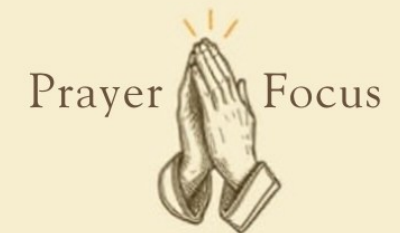
We are glad you are here and we pray that, as we share with each other and worship our God, you will find here a special presence and blessing of God. Guest, we hope you will come again and, if so led, consider making First EPC your church home.

### Children's Nursery

There is a nursery available for infants and children up through and including kindergarten. You may take your child to the nursery at the indicated time.

## Pray for a strong faith built on the Word of God

Gal. 2:20, Colossians 2:6-7, Hebrews 11:1, Psalms 16:8



### Sermon Notes: