

CALENDAR

Today, 6/28	9:00 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Worship 5:00 pm – Prayer Gathering
Monday, 6/29	
Tuesday, 6/30	12:00 pm – Men's ZOOM Bible Study 5:15 pm – Adult Bible Study, Library 6:30 pm – Chancel Choir
Wednesday, 7/1	6:00 pm – Youth Group
Thursday, 7/2	8:00 am – Men's Breakfast (IHOP-Franklin Rd SW)
Friday, 7/3	OFFICE CLOSED 9:30 am – Friday Prayer Group, Library

Reminders

Elders: Barry Caldwell & Mike Abbott

Deacon on Duty:

June 28 – Tammy Caldwell
July 5 – Bob Caudle
July 12 – Wendy Andree
July 19 – Tammy Caldwell

Sound System:

June 28 – Eric LaPrad
July 5 – Rea Brown
July 12 – Scott Rice
July 19 – Eric LaPrad

Greeters:

Narthex (10:00-10:30):

June 28 – Barry & Anne Webb
July 5 – Sandy McCullar
July 12 – David & Pam Beckner
July 19 – Pat Povtak

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

June 28 – Don & Wendy Andree
July 5 – Teal Bennett
July 12 – David & Cathy Akers
July 19 – Charles Speck

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, 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 28, 2026

10:30 a.m.

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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

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PREPARATION, PROMISES, AND PRAISE

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; 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 "For Me to Live Is Jesus" Walther

*Call to Worship Rev. Jeff Schrage

Leader: Sing of steadfast love and justice;
to the Lord, make music.

People: I will praise the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have
my being.

—Psalm 101:1 & 146:2

*Hymn of Adoration "The Mighty God, the Lord" No.316

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Almighty God, we confess that we are often swept up in the tide of our generation. We have failed in our calling to be your holy people, a people set apart for your divine purpose. We live more in apathy born of fatalism than in passion born of hope. We are moved more by private ambition than by justice. We dream more of privilege and benefits than of service and sacrifice. We try to speak in your name without relinquishing our glories, without nourishing our souls, without relying wholly on your grace. Help us to surrender anew to you as you occupy more of our hearts and lives. By your Holy Spirit, forgive us, revive us, and reshape us in your image. Amen.

Hymn of Response "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" No.530

Assurance of Pardon

For I will be merciful toward their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more.

—Hebrews 8:12

*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 "At the River" adapted by Aaron Copeland

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 "Fugue in G Minor" Bach

*Doxology No. 731

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn of Praise "Teach Me, O Lord, Your Way of Truth" No.149

*Scripture: Ezra 2:36-63 Page 462

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon "Follow the Instructions"
Rev. Jeff Schrage

*Departure Hymn "Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying" No.443

*Benediction Colossians 3:17

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Postlude "March" Clarke/Wolff

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

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.

Lemonade on the Lawn

Join us for "Lemonade & cookies 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.



Sincerely & completely confess your sins before God

Luke 13:6-7, Luke 6:1, Hebrews 5:12



Sermon Notes: