

CALENDAR

Today, 5/3 Sunday School, 9:00 am
Worship, 10:30 am
Diaconate Mtg (Session), 11:45 am

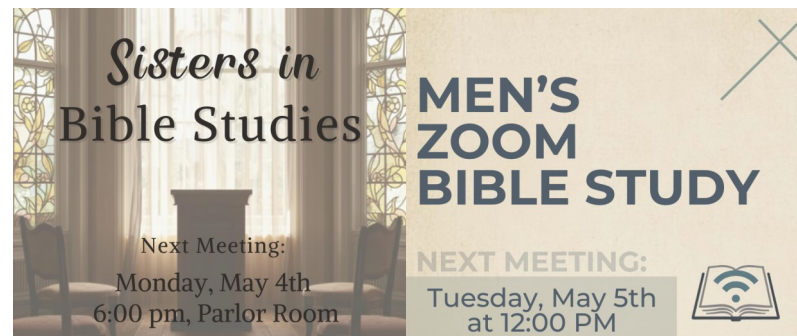
Monday, 5/4 SIBS (Sisters in Bible Study), 6:00 pm

Tuesday, 5/5 Men's ZOOM Bible Study, 12:00 pm
Adult Bible Study (Parlor); 5:15 pm
Chancel Choir, 6:30 pm

Wednesday, 5/6 First Wednesday Book Club (Parlor), 9:30 am
Feast @ First**Mexican Pot-Luck Style**(FH), 6:00 pm
FirstKids & Youth Group, 6:00 pm
Carillonners, 7:00 pm

Thursday, 5/7 Men's Breakfast (IHOP–Franklin SW), 8:00 am
Reading Club (Library), 6:00 pm

Friday, 5/8 Friday Prayer Group (Library), 9:30 am

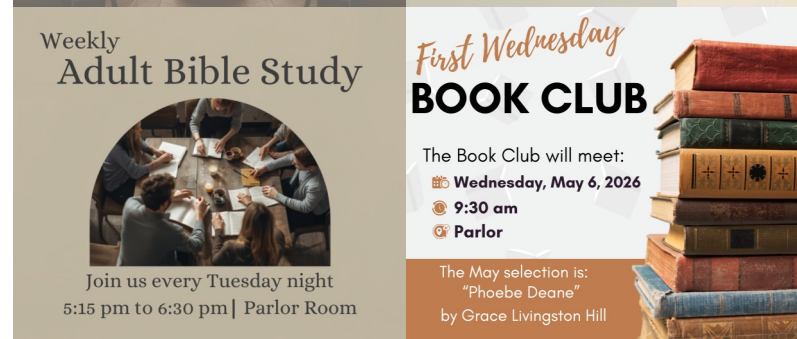


Sisters in Bible Studies

Next Meeting:
Monday, May 4th
6:00 pm, Parlor Room

MEN'S ZOOM BIBLE STUDY

NEXT MEETING:
Tuesday, May 5th
at 12:00 PM



Weekly Adult Bible Study

Join us every Tuesday night
5:15 pm to 6:30 pm | Parlor Room

First Wednesday BOOK CLUB

The Book Club will meet:
Wednesday, May 6, 2026
9:30 am
Parlor

The May selection is:
"Phoebe Deane"
by Grace Livingston Hill



Feast @ First

Wednesday, May 6th
6:00 pm

Bring a Mexican dish** Potluck Style**
and join us in the Fellowship Hall!

Men's IHOP Breakfast

Thursday, May 7th
8:00 am

IHOP | Franklin Rd SW



Reading Club

Thursday May 7th in Library
6:00 pm to 7:45 pm

Presbyterian Community Center Food Needs

Pancake Mix and Syrup

May

Elders <u>Class of 2026</u> Don Andree Robert Broyles David Smith <u>Class of 2027</u> Mike Abbott Scott Rice Michael Ridenhour <u>Class of 2028</u> Rea Brown Barry Caldwell Bob Moore	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).		
	Children's Ministry	Location	Teachers
	Infants & Toddlers	Room 115	Amanda Young
	PreK-K-1	Room 114	
	Grades 2-5	Room 205	Melanie Rice
	Youth	Location	Teachers
	Grades 6-12	Youth Room	Pete Guillard
	Adult Bible Study	Location	Teachers
	McClanahan/Good News	Room 207	
Koinonia/Cornerstone	Parlor		
Reminders			
Elders: Bob Broyles & Barry Caldwell Sound System: Scott Rice, Rea Brown, Bill Brooks, Eric LaPrad Deacon on Duty: May 3 – Donna Broyles May 10 – Tammy Caldwell May 17 – Karen & Bill Brooks May 24 – Karen & Bill Brooks Nursery Bible Time: May 3 – Wendy Andree May 10 – Karen Brooks May 17 – Chris Ayers May 24 – Anne Webb Greeters Narthex (10:00-10:30): May 3 – David Scott and Audra Sacher May 10 – Lee Slover and Julie Drewry May 17 – Mike and Roseanne Bumpass May 24 – Tammy, Bradley, and Jake Caldwell Greeters Ramp Room (8:50-9:00 & 10:00-10:30): May 3 – Nancy Gillespie May 10 – Daryl and Carolyn Keyes May 17 – Bud and Jesse Derey May 24 – Linda Brown			
Deacons <u>Class of 2026</u> Wendy Andree Bobby Caudle Sheila Harms Helen Thompson <u>Class of 2027</u> Karen Brooks Donna Broyles Tammy Caldwell Carolyn Moore <u>Class of 2028</u> Kathy Akers Bill Brooks Carolyn Keyes Charles Speck			

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 EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

FIRST KIDS
 Children's Worship Program
DINNER & LESSON
 Wednesdays 6-7:30pm
 PreK-5th; youth 6th-12th+

fepcroanoke.org

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

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MAY 3, 2026
 10:30 a.m.

Pastor: Rev. Jeff Schrage
 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

MAY 3, 2026

PREPARATION, PROMISES, AND PRAISE

Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever 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 "What God Ordains Is Always Good" Walther

*Call to Worship Rev. Jeff Schrage

Leader: Great and amazing are your deeds,
O Lord God the Almighty!

People: **Just and true are your ways,
O King of the nations!**

Leader: Who will not fear, O Lord,
and glorify your name?

People: **For you alone are holy.
All nations will come and worship you!**

— Revelation 15:3-4, ESV

*Hymn of Adoration "Worship Christ, the Risen King!" No. 286

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Almighty God, who sent the promised power of the Holy Spirit to fill disciples with willing faith: We confess that we resist the force of your Spirit among us, that we are slow to serve you and reluctant to spread the good news of your love. God, have mercy on us. Forgive our divisions and by your Spirit draw us together. In flame us with a desire to do your will and be your faithful people for the sake of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

— 1 John 2:1-2, ESV

*Hymn of Response "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" No.529

*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

*one universal visible church

*Gloria Patri No. 735

(Parents may take children to the nursery.)

Anthem "O Risen Lord" by K. Lee Scott

Offering of Our Gifts and Tithes

Offertory "Voluntary in F" Thiman

*Doxology No. 731

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn of Praise "Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending" Insert

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.

*Scripture: 2 Peter 3:3b-10 Page 1205

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon "My Eyes Have Seen the Glory"
Rev. Jeff Schrage

*Departure Hymn "Alleluia! Alleluia!" No. 283

*Benediction 2 Peter 3:18

(May You) grow in grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and forever! Amen.

Postlude "March" Gluck

*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.

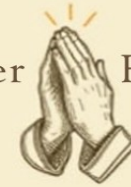
Children's Nursery

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.

Pray and don't give up.

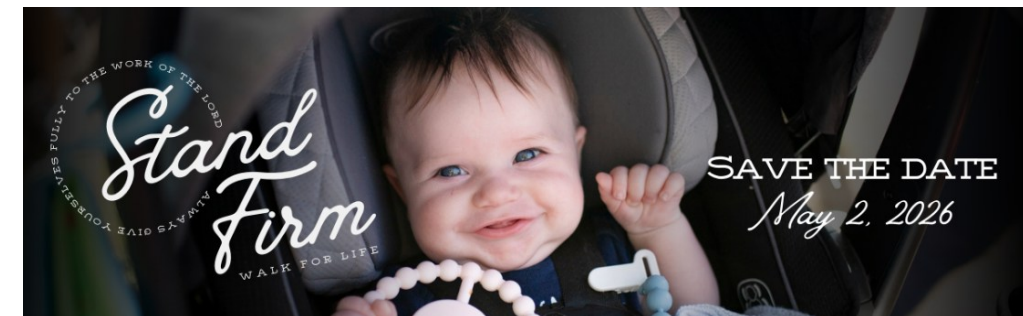
Luke 18:1-8

Prayer Focus



We will have Sr. recognition on May 10th.

We have two who will be recognized.
Jacob (Jake) Caldwell and Elizabeth (Lizzy) Rice



Lemonade on the Lawn Volunteers Needed

The Hospitality Committee is looking for additional volunteers to set up lemonade and water, each Sunday beginning May 24- Sept 6

As always, any treats such as cookies, muffins etc. are welcome!



Please reach out to
Barry (540-761-8148)
OR
Tammy Caldwell (540-354-1029)
for more information

