

CALENDAR	
Today, 2/22	Sunday School, 9:00 am; Worship, 10:30 am; Mission Meeting (Parlor), 12:00 pm ; Prayer Gathering (Parlor), 5:00 pm
Monday, 2/23	SIBS (Sisters in Bible Study), 6:00 pm
Tuesday, 2/24	Men’s ZOOM Bible Study, 12:00 pm; Adult Bible Study (ABS); 5:15 pm; Chancel Choir, 6:30 pm
Wednesday, 2/25	FirstKids & Youth Group, 6:00 pm; Carillonneurs, 7:00 pm
Thursday, 2/26	Reading Club (Library), 6:00 pm; VBS Training (Session Room), 6:00 pm
Friday, 2/27	Friday Prayer Group, 9:30 am

Prayer Gathering

Sunday Feb. 22 at 5:00 pm

Sisters in Bible Studies

Next Meeting:
Monday, Feb. 23
6:00 pm, Parlor Room

MEN'S ZOOM BIBLE STUDY

NEXT MEETING:
Tuesday, Feb. 24
at 12:00 PM

Reading Club

The Book Club will meet:
📅 **Wednesday, March 4, 2026**
🕒 **9:30 am**
📍 **Library**

The March selection is:
"The Robe"
by Lloyd C Douglas

Thursday Feb. 26
6:00 pm to 7:45 pm

Women in Ministry Bible Study

We are studying the Gospel of Mark led by Marcia Ridenhour

Tuesday, March 10th
at 11:00 a.m.

Potluck lunch is served immediately thereafter at noon.
Please join us and bring a shareable dish!

Presbyterian Community Center Food Needs

Feb. - Cereal and Oatmeal
Mar. - Spaghetti Sauce and Pasta

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	<u>Sunday School 9:00 am</u> 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).		
	<u>Children’s Ministry</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Teachers</u>
	Infants & Toddlers	Room 115	Amanda Young
	PreK-K-1	Room 114	
	Grades 2-5	Room 205	Melanie Rice
	<u>Youth</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Teachers</u>
	Grades 6-12	Youth Room	Pete Guillard
	Adult Sunday School McClanahan /Good News - Room 207 Koinonia/Cornerstone - Parlor		
	<u>Reminders</u>		
	Elders: Michael Ridenhour and Rea Brown Sound System: Scott Rice, Rea Brown, Bill Brooks, Eric LaPrad Greeters Ramp Room (8:50-9:00 & 10:00-10:30): Feb. 22—Linda Brown Mar.1—Doug and Marlene Flynn Mar.8—Sue Brown Mar.15—Marcia Ridenhour Greeters Narthex (10:00-10:30): Feb. 22—Lee Slover and Julie Drewry Mar.1—Artie and Catherine Bush Mar.8—Kaye Ward Mar.15—Barry and Anne Webb Deacon on Duty: Feb. 22—Tammy Caldwell Mar.1—Carolyn Moore Mar.8—Kathy Akers Mar.15—Karen Brooks Nursery Bible Time: Feb. 22— Chris Ayers Mar. 1—Anne Webb Mar.8—Kim Smith Mar.15—Diana Harvey		
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.

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First Presbyterian Church
Roanoke, Virginia
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FEBRUARY 22, 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

FEBRUARY 22, 2026

PREPARATION, PROMISES AND PRAISE

O Lord, you have taught us that without love whatever we do is worth nothing; Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your greatest gift, which is love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue, without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son Jesus Christ, 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

Chiming of the Bells

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

Choir Introit “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” No. 32 stanza 1

Announcements

Prelude “Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness” Walther

Call to Worship Elder Edward Bennett

Leader: Jesus is king of kings and lord of lords.

People: There is none greater in heaven or on earth.

Leader: Christ rules over all peoples with justice and with mercy; and of Christ's kingdom there will be no end.

People: Jesus the Christ is our salvation; through him we are graced with God's forgiveness and amazing love.

Leader: Let us praise God for such a gift; let us worship Christ the King!

*Hymn “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!” No. 296

*Prayer of Adoration

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

O God, we confess how quick we are to judge others and how slow to judge ourselves, how reluctant we are to submit to your judgment and admit to our sins. When we are confronted by your Spirit with the fallacy of our righteousness, we so often try to rationalize our behaviors, to make excuses for our sin. We confess now that we are prone to the same arrogance and pride, the same jealousies and fears that put Jesus on the cross. We confess our tendency to presume we can be saved either through self-correction and will power alone, or through the expertise of human kingdoms of this world, giving them power over us, depending upon them to deliver us from the sin that binds us, the guilt that haunts us. Thus, we turn in sorrow and humility to you, Lord, asking your pardon and seeking new life born of your forgiveness. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Friends, hear the Good News! All the prophets testify about Christ that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name. Trust this promise and know this to be true—in Jesus Christ we are forgiven! —from Acts 10:43

*Gloria Patri No. 735 (Parents may take children to the nursery.)

*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

*Hymn "At the Name of Jesus" No. 163

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 "O Holy Jesus” by Jonathan Willcocks

Offering of Our Gifts and Tithes

Offertory “Jesus, Priceless Treasure” arr. Burkhardt

*Doxology No. 731

*Prayer of Dedication

Scripture: Philippians 2:9-11 Pg.1162
Psalms 110 Pg.603

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon “Our Forever Priest-King, Jesus Christ”
Rev. Seth McCormick

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper
(Take the bread as served; hold the cup to take together.)

*Hymn "Join All the Glorious Names” No. 301

*Benediction “Twofold Amen” No. 739

Postlude “Fail Me Not, O Holy Christ” Scheidt
*The congregation is asked to stand, as you are able.

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

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. 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. Children from first grade up should remain in the service and worship with their family.

Pray with thanksgiving-
the cure for anxiety.

Philippians 4:60



Prayer Focus