

- SUNDAY SERVICES
- ♦ Sunday School, 9:00 am

Adult Ministry:

Library – Koinonia/Cornerstone – Phil Brown

Room 202 – McClanahan/Good News – Becky Bane

Youth Ministry: (Grades 6–12)

Youth Room – Pete Guillard

Children Ministry: (Grades K–5)

Room 206 – Wendy Andree

- ♦ Sunday Worship, 10:30 am

Coffee & Tea & Social

Located: Ramp Room Hallway

Seating: Parlor Room

Starting at 9am for Sunday School and as we mingle before and after worship!

Hearing Devices Available!

Location: Narthex & Ramp Room

How to listen:

www.fepcroanoke.org/sermons

Wifi: FEPC Guest

Password: Guest2101*

OFFICERS

Elders

Class of '26

Don Andree

Robert Broyles

David Smith

Class of '27

Mike Abbott

Scott Rice

Michael Ridenhour

Class of '28

Rea Brown

Barry Caldwell

Bob Moore

Deacons

Class of '26

Wendy Andree

Bobby Caudle

Sheila Harms

Class of '27

Donna Broyles

Tammy Caldwell

Carolyn Moore

Class of '28

Kathy Akers

Carolyn Keyes

Charles Speck

KIDS @ FiRST!

Available:

– Children's bulletin

(Ages 3+ and 7+ available)

– Coloring Sheet Clipboards

– Crayons

Locations:

• Ramp Room(basket on table)

• Narthex table

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

DINNER STUDY GAMES SONGS

KIDS@FiRST WEDNESDAYS@6

Sept-May, ages 4-11 & youth group

CALENDAR

Today, 9/27

9:00 am – Sunday School

10:30 am – Worship

5:00 pm – Session Meeting

Monday, 9/28

6:00 pm – Sisters in Bible Study (SIBS)

Tuesday, 9/29

12:00 pm – Men’s ZOOM Bible Study

5:15 pm – Adult Bible Study (ABS)

6:30 pm – Chancel Choir

Wednesday, 9/30

6:00 pm – First Kids &Youth Group

7:00 pm – Carillonneurs

Thursday, 10/1

8:00 am – Men’s Breakfast (IHOP–Frankling Rd SW)

9:30 am – Friday Prayer Group

Friday, 10/2

9:00 am – Sunday School

Saturday, 10/3

10:30 am – Worship

Sunday, 10/4

11:45 am – Deacon Meeting

Feast @ First **Baked Potato**

Wednesday, October 7th @ 6:00pm

Potluck: Toppings, Sides, & Desserts

PCC

Presbyterian Community Center

Pork & Beans

October

- REMINDERS
- September Elders: Rea Brown & Bob Moore
- Deacon on Duty:

September 27 – Helen Gearhart

October 4 –

October 11 –

October 18 –
- Sound System:

September 27 – Rea Brown

October 4 – Eric LaPrad

October 11 – Scott Rice

October 18 – Rea Brown
- Greeters:

Narthex (10:00a to 10:30a) :

September 27 – Ed & Debbie Bennett

October 4 – Sandy McCullar

October 11 – David & Pam Beckner

October 18 – Don & Wendy Andree

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

September 27 – Don & Wendy Andree

October 4 – Teal Bennett

October 11 – David & Kathy Akers

October 18 – Pat Povtak

First Evangelical Presbyterian Church



SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

10:30 am

First Evangelical Presbyterian Church

2101 Jefferson Street SW

Roanoke, Virginia 24014-0538

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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

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

PREPARATION, PROMISES, AND PRAISE

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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 "Prelude in G" Coleman

*Call to Worship Rev. Jeff Schrage

Leader: Tell to the coming generation,
the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might,
and the wonders that he has done
People: Blessed be the Lord forever!
Amen.

Psalm 78:4 & 89:52

*Hymn of Adoration "Are You Weary, Are You Languid" No.477

Prayer of Confession (unison)

"Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature, prone to evil and slothful in good, and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned: in wandering from your ways; in wasting your gifts; in forgetting your love. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, and forgive us for all the ways we have failed to love you and our neighbor. May the blood of Christ, the grace of your Spirit, and the truth of your Word renew our hearts and strengthen our souls to live in your light and walk in your ways. Through Jesus Christ our only Savior and Lord. Amen"

Hymn of Response "God, Be Merciful to Me" No.486

Assurance of Pardon

Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 5:20 – 21

*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 "Thanks be to Thee" G.F. Handel, arr. by Marcus Wiley

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 "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" arr. Lau

*Doxology No. 731

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn of Praise "Nothing but the Blood of Jesus" No.307

*Scripture: Ezra 9 Page 469-470

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon "Setting Ourselves Up"
Rev. Jeff Schrage

*Departure Hymn "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" No.530

*Benediction Romans 11:33, 36

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

Postlude "Toccata" Wagner

*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.



FEPC Outreach

Trunk or Treat

Sign up to come and decorate your car trunk and give out candy! We are asking for Biblical themed trunks, or fall themed. If you can't be there to decorate, WE STILL NEED LOTS OF CANDY DONATIONS!

Date: 10/31/2026 (Sat.)





CROP Hunger Walk

Sunday, October 11th, 2026

ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME



Volunteers Needed



Just around the corner!
Operation Christmas Child

is a project of Samaritan's Purse, an international Christian relief and evangelism organization headed by Franklin Graham. The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world, and together with the local church worldwide, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. Details to come!



VOLUNTEER TO SERVE DINNER AT THE ROANOKE RESCUE MISSION
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17TH FROM 4:15 PM - 6:15 PM
6 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
SIGN-UP SHEET IN RAMP ROOM

Sermon Notes

September 27th, 2026

Title: "Setting Ourselves Up" Rev. Jeff Schrage

Scripture: Ezra 9
