

CALENDAR

Today, 4/12 Sunday School, 9:00 am
Worship, 10:30 am
Mission Mtg (Parlor), 12:00 pm

Monday, 4/13 SIBS (Sisters in Bible Study), 6:00 pm

Tuesday, 4/14 Women in Ministry (Fellowship Hall), 11:00 am
Men's ZOOM Bible Study, 12:00 pm
Adult Bible Study (Parlor); 5:15 pm
Chancel Choir, 6:30 pm

Wednesday, 4/15 PS Board Mtg (Parlor), 9:15 am
Resource Mtg (Session Room), 10:30
FirstKids & Youth Group, 6:00 pm
Carillonners, 7:00 pm

Thursday, 4/16 Men's Breakfast (IHOP-Franklin Rd SW), 8:00 am
Spiritual Growth Mtg (Parlor), 5:30 pm

Friday, 4/17 Friday Prayer Group (Library), 9:30 am



Sisters in Bible Studies

We are studying the Gospel of Mark led by Marcia Ridenhour.

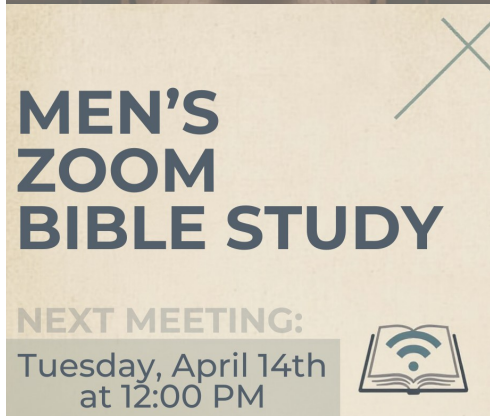
Next Meeting:
Monday, April 13th
6:00 pm, Parlor Room



Women in Ministry Bible Study

Tuesday, April 14th at 11:00 a.m.

Lunch is served immediately thereafter at noon!



MEN'S ZOOM BIBLE STUDY

NEXT MEETING:
Tuesday, April 14th at 12:00 PM



Weekly Adult Bible Study

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



Men's IHOP Breakfast

Thursday, April 16th
8:00 am

IHOP | Franklin Rd SW



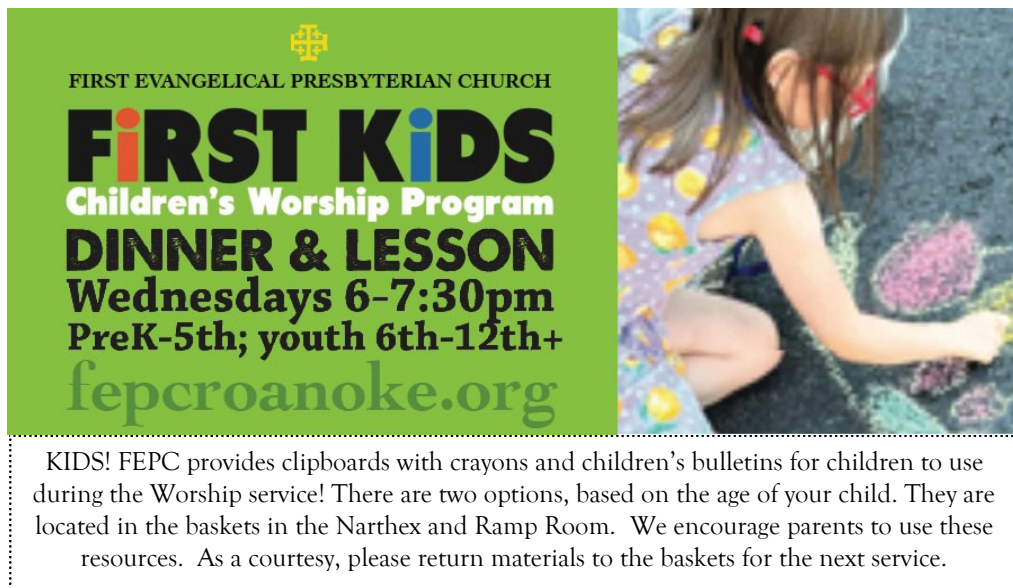
Presbyterian Community Center Food Needs

Beef Stew

April

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 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	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: Scott Rice and Michael Ridenhour Sound System: Scott Rice, Rea Brown, Bill Brooks, Eric LaPrad Deacon on Duty: April 19— Nursery Bible Time: April 19— Tammy Caldwell April 26— Missy Reed May 3— Wendy Andree May 10— Karen Brooks Greeters Narthex (10:00-10:30): April 19— Pat Povtak April 26— Martha Minter May 3— David Scott and Audra Sacher May 10— Lee Slover and Julie Drewry Greeters Ramp Room (8:50-9:00 & 10:00-10:30): April 19— Teal Bennett April 26— Sara King and Eric LaPrad May 3— Nancy Gillespie May 10— Daryl and Carolyn Keyes			

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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APRIL 12, 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

APRIL 12, 2026

PREPARATION, PROMISES AND PRAISE

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. 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 Wonderous Love Is This" arr. Mark Hayes
Performed by Caroline Johnson
Early American Melody Quoting *Prelude in C# Minor, Op. 3, No. 2 by Rachmaninoff*

Call to Worship Rev. Jeff Schrage
Leader: The Lord is Sovereign; let the people tremble in awe.
People: God is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.
Leader: The Lord is great in Zion and is high above all peoples.
People: Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God, and worship God upon the holy mountain. —based on Psalm 99:1-3

*Hymn of Adoration "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty" No. 376

Prayer of Confession (unison)
Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon
Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.
—Romans 5:1-2, ESV

*Hymn of Response "This Is the Day the Lord Has Made" No. 389
(The congregation may come forward to place their 2¢-A-Meal offering in the container at the front of the Sanctuary)

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 "His Robes for Mine" by Chris Anderson and Greg Habegger

Offering of Our Gifts and Tithes

Offertory "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" arr. Hopson

*Doxology No. 731

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn of Praise "A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing" No. 289

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.

Scripture: Numbers 22 Page 153

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon "A Pagan, a Prophet, and a King" Rev. Jeff Schrage

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

*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 "This Joyful Eastertide" arr. Wood

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

Welcome to First Evangelical Presbyterian Church

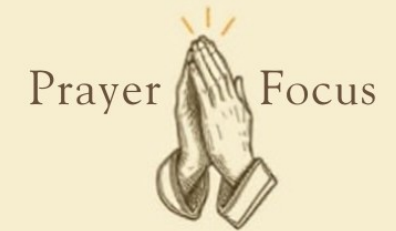
We are glad you are here and we pray that, as we share with each other and worship our God, you will find here a special presence and blessing of God. Guest, we hope you will come again and, if so led, consider making First EPC your church home.


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

Pray for wisdom and discernment in all things.

Philippians 1:9-11, Colossians 1:9-10, Psalms 119:133



 **Two Cents-a-Meal** invites every member of the congregation to prayerfully contribute 2 cents at each meal to help alleviate hunger and poverty following the example of the widow who gave all that she had (Luke 21:1-4). Participation is also a response to Jesus' command, "You give them something to eat." These resources are received normally on the 2nd Sunday of every month and then distributed to our community through The Presbyterian Community Center.

We welcome one of our First Academy of Music students to worship today!

A note from Caroline:

My name is Caroline Johnson. I am a fifteen year-old freshman at Faith Christian School and a student of the music academy at FEPC. I have been taking piano since third grade and I have found so much joy in sitting down at the keys every day! In addition to music, I enjoy reading, playing tennis, and acting in school plays. Today, I am playing one of my favorite hymns (namely What Wondrous Love is This), but it is combined with Rachmaninoff's Prelude in C# Minor. I hope you are reminded of God's wondrous love and enjoy listening as much as I enjoy playing!