***The Reading of the Word of God** Colossians 1:24-29

**Proclamation of the Word of God** "The Work of the Church"

***Departure Hymn** "Have Thine Own Way, Lord" #688

1 Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Thou art the potter; I am the clay.
Mold me and make me after thy will,
while I am waiting, yielded and still.

2 Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Search me and try me, Master, today!
Whiter than snow, Lord, wash me just now,
as in thy presence humbly I bow.

3 Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Wounded and weary, help me, I pray!
Power, all power, surely is thine!
Touch me and heal me, Savior divine!

4 Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Hold o'er my being absolute sway!
Fill with thy Spirit till all shall see
Christ only, always, living in me!

***Benediction** Zechariah 8:7-8

Thus says the Lord of hosts: Behold, I will save my people from the east country and from the west country, [8] and I will bring them to dwell in the midst of Jerusalem. And they shall be my people, and I will be their God, in faithfulness and in righteousness."

**Postlude** "Paean" arr. Young

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

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# Order of Worship

**November 15, 2026**
**Welcome to First Evangelical Presbyterian Church!**

We are glad to have you here with us members and visitors. If you are early, take some time to read through some of the bulletin in preparation for worship this morning. We will pray, sing, and proclaim the Glory of Our Triune God!

**Ringing of the Chimes**

**Announcements**

**Prelude** "Sing to the Lord of Harvest" arr. by Sondra Tucker
Carillonneurs

***Call to Worship** *read responsively* Psalm 7:17 , 54:6

Give to the Lord the thanks due his righteousness,
And sing praise to the name of the Lord, the Most High

**I will give thanks to your name, O Lord, for it is good**

***Hymn of Adoration** "God Moves in a Mysterious Way" #128

1 God moves in a mysterious way
his wonders to perform;
he plants his footsteps in the sea,
and rides upon the storm.

2 Deep in unfathomable mines
of never-failing skill
he treasures up his bright designs,
and works his sovereign will.

3 Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take;
the clouds ye so much dread
are big with mercy, and shall break
in blessings on your head.

4 Judge not the Lord by feeble sense,
but trust him for his grace;
behind a frowning providence
he hides a smiling face.

5 His purposes will ripen fast,
unfolding ev'ry hour;
the bud may have a bitter taste,
but sweet will be the flow'r.

6 Blind unbelief is sure to err,
and scan his work in vain;
God is his own interpreter,
and he will make it plain.

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## Confession of Sin

**Merciful Lord, we confess that with us there is an abundance of sin, but in you there is the fullness of righteousness and the abundance of mercy. We are spiritually poor, but you are rich and in Jesus Christ came to be merciful to the poor. Strengthen our faith and trust in you. We are empty vessels that need to be filled; fill us. We are week in faith; strengthen us. We are cold in love; warm us. Make our hearts fervent for you that our love ,ay go out to one another and to our neighbors. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Hymn of Response "When I Survey the Wonderous Cross" #252

1 When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.

2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
save in the death of Christ my God:
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down:
did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were a present far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

## Assurance of Pardon 2 Chronicles 30:9

*For if you return to the LORD, your brothers and your children will find compassion with their captors and return to this land. For the LORD your God is gracious and merciful and will not turn away his face from you, if you return to him."*

## *Gloria Patri #734

**Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

## *Confession of Faith The Apostles' Creed

**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.**

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## Anthem "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" arr. by Henry Coleman

## Pastoral Prayer concluding with the 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 "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less arr. Held

## *Doxology #731

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## *Prayer of Thanksgiving

## *Hymn of Praise "O Word of God Incarnate" #140

1 O Word of God Incarnate,
O Wisdom from on high,
O Truth unchanged, unchanging,
O light of our dark sky;
we praise thee for the radiance
that from the hallowed page,
a lantern to our footsteps
shines on from age to age.

2 The church from her dear Master
received the gift divine,
and still that light she lifteth
o'er all the earth to shine.
It is the golden casket,
where gems of truth are stored;
it is the heav'n-drawn picture
of Christ, the living Word.

3 It floateth like a banner
before God's host unfurled;
it shineth like a beacon
above the darkling world.
It is the chart and compass
that o'er life's surging sea,
'mid mists and rocks and quicksands,
still guides, O Christ, to thee.

4 O make thy church, dear Savior,
a lamp of purest gold,
to bear before the nations
thy true light, as of old.
O teach thy wand'ring pilgrims
by this their path to trace,
till, clouds and darkness ended,
they see thee face to face.

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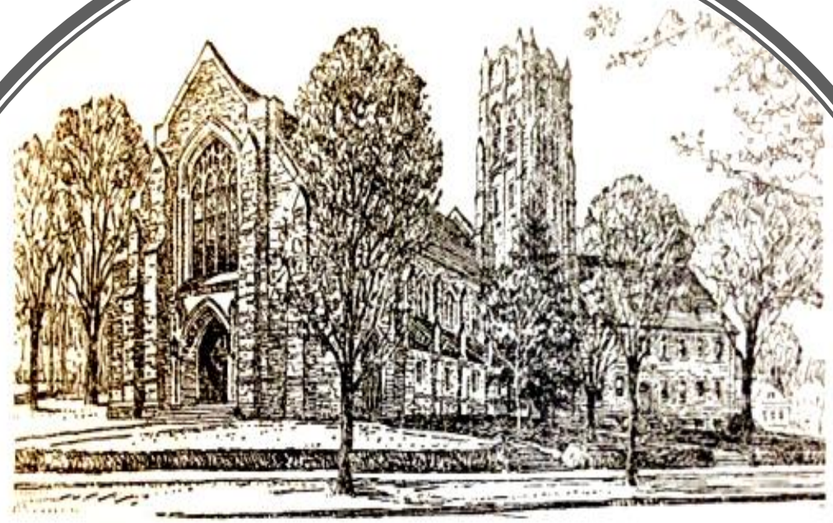
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# First Presbyterian Church

Roanoke, Virginia

Organized May 28, 1851

NOVEMBER 15, 2026

10:30 am

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

# 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.

## 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

**Coffee & Tea & Social**

Located: Ramp Room Hallway

Seating: Parlor Room

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

♦ **Sunday Worship, 10:30 am**

## SUNDAY RESOURCES

### KiDS @ FiRST!

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

Available to you:

- Children's bulletin
  (Ages 3+ and 7+ available)
- Coloring Sheet Clipboards & Crayons

Locations near you:

- Ramp Room (basket on table)
- Narthex table

### ♦ Hearing Devices Available

Where are they? : Narthex & Ramp Room

How to listen? : www.fepcroanoke.org/sermons

Wifi: **FEPC Guest**

Password: **Guest2101***

## Calendar

**Today**, 11/15 9:00 am — Sunday School
10:30 am — Worship
11:45 am — Christmas Play Practice w/lunch
5:00 pm — Prayer Gathering
**Monday**, 11/16 6:00 pm — Sisters in Bible Study
**Tuesday**, 11/17 12:00 pm — Men's ZOOM Bible Study
5:15 pm — Adult Bible Study
6:30 pm — Chancel Choir ( in Sanctuary)
**Wednesday**, 11/18 6:30 pm — First Kids & Youth Group
7:00 pm — Carillonneurs
**Thursday**, 11/19 8:00 am — Men's Breakfast (IHOP – Franklin Rd. SW)
10:30 am — PS Board Meeting
5:00 pm — Spiritual Growth Meeting
**Friday**, 11/20 9:30 am — Friday Prayer Group
3:00 pm — Administration Meeting
**Saturday**, 11/21
**Sunday**, 11/22 9:00 am — Sunday School
10:30 am — Worship
11:45 am — Christmas Play Practice w/lunch
5:00 pm — Session Meeting




## Reminders

**November Elders:** Don Andree & Barry Caldwell

**Deacon on Duty:**
November 15 — Kathy Akers
November 22 — Helen Gearhart
November 29 — Carolyn Keyes

**Sound System:**
November 15 — Scott Rice
November 22 — Eric LaPrad
November 29 — Rea Brown

**Greeters:**

**Narthex ( 10:00a to 10:30a ) :**
November 15 — Mike & Roseanne Bumpass
November 22 — Ed & Debbie Bennett
November 29 — Artie & Catherine Bush

**Ramp Room ( 8:50a to 9:00a & 10:00a to 10:30a ) :**
November 15 — Bud & Jesse Derey
November 22 — Linda Brown
November 29 — Diana Harvey

## Officers

| | Class of '26 | Class of '27 | Class of '28 |
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| **Elders** | Robert Broyles | Mike Abbott | Rea Brown |
| | David Smith | Scott Rice | Barry Caldwell |
| | | Michael Ridenhour | Bob Moore |

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| | Bobby Caudle | Tammy Caldwell | Carolyn Keyes |
| | Sheila Harms | Carolyn Moore | Charles Speck |
| | Helen Thompson | | |

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