

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
Available for Sunday services

Hearing Devices Available!
Location: Narthex & Ramp Room
How to listen: Go to www.fepcroanoke.org/sermons
Wifi: FEPC Guest
Password: Guest2101*

KIDS @ FiRST!
Available:
– Children's bulletin
 (Ages 3+ and 7+ available)
– Coloring Sheet Clipboards
– Crayons
Locations:
• Ramp Room, basket on table
• Narthex table

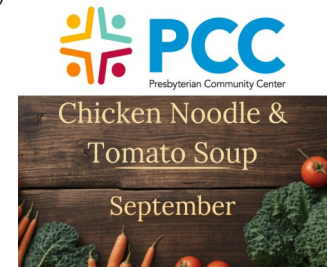
We encourage parents to use these resources. As a courtesy, please return materials to the baskets for the next service.

OFFICERS			
Elders	Class of '26	Class of '27	Class of '28
	Don Andree	Mike Abbott	Rea Brown
	Robert Broyles	Scott Rice	Barry Caldwell
	David Smith	Michael Ridenhour	Bob Moore
Deacons	Class of '26	Class of '27	Class of '28
	Wendy Andree	Donna Broyles	Kathy Akers
	Bobby Caudle	Tammy Caldwell	Carolyn Keyes
	Sheila Harms	Carolyn Moore	Charles Speck



CALENDAR	
Today, 9/20	9:00 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Worship 5:00 pm – Prayer Gathering
Monday, 9/21	6:00 pm – Sisters in Bible Study (SIBS)
Tuesday, 9/22	12:00 pm – Men's ZOOM Bible Study 6:30 pm – Chancel Choir
Wednesday, 9/23	6:00 pm – First Kids & Youth Group 7:00 pm – Carillonneurs
Thursday, 9/24	
Friday, 9/25	9:30 am – Friday Prayer Group
Saturday, 9/26	
Sunday, 9/27	9:00 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Worship 5:00 pm – Session Meeting

Feast @ First **Baked Potato**
Wednesday, October 7th @ 6:00pm
Potluck: Toppings, Sides, & Desserts



REMINDERS	
Elders: Rea Brown & Bob Moore	Greeters:
Deacon on Duty:	Narthex (10:00a to 10:30a) :
September 20 – Carolyn Moore	September 20 – Kaye Ward
September 27 – Helen Gearhart	September 27 – Ed & Debbie Bennett
Sound System:	Ramp Room (8:50a to 9:00a & 10:00a to 10:30a) :
September 20 – Scott Rice	September 20 – Robert & Donna Broyles
September 27 – Rea Brown	September 27 – Don & Wendy Andree

First Evangelical Presbyterian Church



SEPTEMBER 20, 2026
10:30 am

First Evangelical Presbyterian Church
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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 20, 2026

PREPARATION, PROMISES, AND PRAISE

Grant us, O Lord, not to mind earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to cleave to those that shall abide; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee 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 "I Need Thee Every Hour arr. Lau

*Call to Worship Rev. Jeff Schrage

Leader: Come, let us bow down in worship,
People: let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;
Leader: for he is our God
People: and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

Psalm 95:6-7

*Hymn of Adoration "Come, We That Love the Lord" No.700
Alternative tune; Festal Song

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Most merciful God, we come to You confessing that we have failed to love You as we should. We have failed to act wisely when You are the source of our wisdom; failed to be generous when You have been so gracious to us; failed to forgive others while we presume Your forgiveness to us; failed to praise You in all things, and rely on You for our daily bread. In Your great mercy forgive us and restore us to fellowship with You and with one another. In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen.

Hymn of Response "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me" No.611

Assurance of Pardon

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 John2:1-2

*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 "Come Down, O Love Divine" Ralph Vaughn Williams
arr. by P.R. Dietterich

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 If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee arr. Manz

*Doxology No. 731

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Reception of New Members Patty Vipperman

*Hymn of Praise "I Love Thy Kingdom Lord" No.353

*Scripture: Ezra 8:24-36 Page 468-469

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon "God's Plan for Heaven's Treasure" Rev. Jeff Schrage

*Departure Hymn "Give Thanks unto the Lord, Jehovah" No.613

*Benediction Revelation 7:12
Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever!

Postlude Postlude on Italian Hymn Young

*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.)





Volunteers Needed



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 20th, 2026

Title: "God's Plan for Heaven's Treasure" Rev. Jeff Schrage
Scripture: Ezra 8:24-36