

- 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	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, 10/11	9:00 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Worship 1:30:pm – Crop Walk
Monday, 10/12	6:00 pm – Sisters in Bible Study (SIBS)
Tuesday, 10/13	11:00 am – Women In Ministry 12:00 pm – Men's ZOOM Bible Study 5:15 pm – Adult Bible Study (ABS) 6:30 pm – Chancel Choir
Wednesday, 10/14	9:15 am – PS Board Meeting 10:30 am – Resource Meeting 6:00 pm – First Wednesday Book Club 6:30 pm – First Kids & Youth Group 7:00 pm – Carillonneurs
Thursday, 10/15	8:00 am – Men's Breakfast (IHOP-Franklin Rd SW)
Friday, 10/16	5:00 pm – Spiritual Growth Meeting 9:30 am – Friday Prayer Group 3:00 pm – Administration Meeting
Saturday, 10/17	
Sunday, 10/18	9:00 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Worship 5:00 pm – Prayer Gathering

REMINDERS

October Elders: Scott Rice & Mike Abbott

Deacon on Duty:

October 11 –
October 18 –
October 25 –

Sound System:

October 11 – Eric La Prad
October 18 – Rea Brown
October 25 –

Greeters:

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

October 11 – David & Pam Beckner
October 18 – Don & Wendy Andree
October 25 – Martha Minter

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

October 11 – David & Kathy Akers
October 18 – Pat Povtak
October 25 – Eric & Sara LaPrad





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.)





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. In addition to bringing great joy to millions of boys and girls in need, the children are offered The Greatest Journey, a 12-lesson program designed especially for shoebox recipients. We praise God that since The Greatest Journey was launched, over 27 million children have made decisions for Christ.

To participate, pick up a shoe box provided in the Sanctuary or use a regular shoe-box that you already have. There is a leaflet provided by Samaritan’s Purse in each shoebox. Follow the instructions in the leaflet on how to pack your shoebox, affix the included label and then secure the filled box with the included rubber band. Bring your filled shoebox back to the Sanctuary on or before Sunday, November 15th, 2026. Your box will then be taken to a regional drop-off location, processed by volunteers and sent to its destination to be distributed to a child as an expression of God’s love.

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OCTOBER 11, 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

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

OCTOBER 11, 2026

PREPARATION, PROMISES, AND PRAISE

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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.

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude “Sink Not Yet, My Soul, to Slumber” Walther

*Call to Worship Rev. Jeff Schrage

Leader: A day in the Lord’s courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.
Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!

Psalms 84:10 & 100:4

*Hymn of Adoration “Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise” No.38

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Most gracious and most merciful God, we confess to you and to one another that time after time we have entered your presence with countless prayers but with hearts that have been closed to your grace. We have lifted our hands to you in praise, but our feet have still walked in the ways of evil. We have rehearsed your commandments but have refused to see your face in the needs of our neighbor. We pray, Lord, that you forgive our lack of faith and pardon our sins. Grant us the healing that comes from your presence and the cleansing of your all-powerful Word, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

Hymn of Response "Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive" No.494

(The congregation may come forward to place their 2¢-A-Meal offering in the container at the front of the Sanctuary)

Assurance of Pardon

“But truly God has listened; he has attended to the voice of my prayer. Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!”

Psalms 66:19-20

*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 “We Say Amen!” by Keith Wilkerson

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 “O Loving Savior” Gounod

*Doxology No. 731

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn of Praise "The Church’s One Foundation” No.347

*Scripture: Colossians 1: 1-2 Page 470

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon “What Are Your Nouns”
Rev. Jeff Schrage

Departure Hymn "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus” No.196

*Benediction Jude

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever.

Postlude “Recessional” Asper

*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.

The flowers in the sanctuary today are in honor of all of our Pastors for Pastor Appreciation Sunday.

Pastor Schrage,

Your congregation is appreciative by the clarity and leadership you are bringing here. God is good, and what a blessing it is He guided you here.

Appreciation extends to all the Pastors of FEPC
Urias Powers, Henry Martyn White, James Power Smith, Alfred Jones, John Speck Lefevre, John Calvin Dinwiddie, William Creighton Campbell, Thomas Kay Young, Robert Alberti Lapsley, Jr., John Edwards Richards, Walker Bocock Healy, James William Patton, *Interim Pastors between Patton and LaMotte, Dr. Morris D. Warren, Dr. Charles C. Talley, Dr. J. Harris Stephens, John Hunter LaMotte, Robert D. Smith, Dr. Don Hardman
*Interim Pastor .

Sermon Notes

October 11th, 2026

Title: “What Are Your Nouns?” Rev. Jeff Schrage
Scripture: Colossians 1:1-2