



# FIRST EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February, 2020

## The Season of Lent

During the Christian Year, the season of Lent is a time when we focus on simple living, prayer, and fasting in order to expand our relationship with God. Ash Wednesday begins the season of Lent and Easter concludes it.

### Ash Wednesday

**Feb. 26, 6:00 pm Pancake Dinner & Service**

During the Christian Year, the season of Lent is a time when we focus on simple living, prayer, and fasting in order to expand our relationship with God. Our annual Ash Wednesday pancake dinner is prepared and served by individuals who have been called to represent our church in the mission field. Donations are appreciated. Please come and break bread and fellowship at this special dinner and join us afterwards in Lapsley Chapel for our traditional Ash Wednesday service.

### Palm/Passion Sunday

**April 5**

On Palm Sunday Christians celebrate the triumphal entry of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem, the week before his death and resurrection. Palm Sunday, often referred to as "Passion Sunday," marks the beginning of Holy Week, which concludes on Easter Sunday. Join us for Sunday school at 9:00 am and Worship at 10:30 am.

### Maundy Thursday

**April 9, 7:00 pm**

"MAUNDY THURSDAY," also known as Holy Thursday, is the anniversary day of Jesus' institution of his Last Supper in the upper room in Jerusalem, the eve before his crucifixion. The word 'maundy' comes from the Latin word 'mandatum,' which means 'to command.' It refers to the command Jesus gave to his disciples that evening as recorded in John 13:34, "And now I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another." Please join us for this special service at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

### Good Friday

**April 10**

Good Friday is observed on the Friday before Easter Sunday. On this day Christians commemorate the passion, or suffering, and death on the cross of the Lord, Jesus Christ. You are invited to engage in a time of prayer and reflection in Lapsley Chapel from noon until 3:00 pm.

### Easter Sunday

**April 12**

On Easter Sunday, Christians celebrate the resurrection of the Lord, Jesus Christ. Join us for Sunday school at 9:00 am and Worship at 10:30 am.

## Feast @ First

Join us in the fellowship hall on Feb. 5 at 6pm for dinner with programming for adults at 6:40 and we will be finished by 7:30.

We will have a potato bar with all the fixings and salad. Please bring a dessert to share. No reservations needed.



Join us for Feast @ First

**FEBRUARY**  
5th @ 6PM

Reformed Evangelical Christian

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## *On Sundays*

Sunday School, 9-10 am

Adult Sunday School Classes:

McClanahan & Good News Class: Room 207

Koinonia & Cornerstone Class: Room 202

The Agape Class: Parlor

*It is never too late to join our Sunday School Classes*

Church Worship 10:30 am, Sanctuary

## *Sunday Children*

Infants & Toddlers: Room 115

PreK-K: Room 114

Grades 1-5: Room 203

Grades 6-12: Youth Room, downstairs

## *Weekdays*

### **Mondays:**

Church Office Closed

Sisters in Bible Study (SIBS), 6 pm

Sermon Apps, 7 pm

### **Tuesdays:**

Sisters in Bible Study (SIBS), 9:30 am  
(except 2<sup>nd</sup>)

Women in Ministry, 11 am (2<sup>nd</sup>)

Adult Bible Study (ABS), 5:15 pm

Choir, 6:30 pm

### **Wednesdays:**

FirstKids, Youth Group, 6 pm

Feast @ First, 1st Wed., 6 pm

Carillonneurs, 7pm

### **Thursdays:**

Men's Breakfast, 7 am (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>)

Men's Bible Study, 2:30 pm (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>)

5:30 pm (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>)

### **Fridays:**

Prayers for the church, 9:30 am

## *Lectionary Readings:*

Feb. 2 - Micah 6:1-8; Psalm 15; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31; Matthew 5:1-12

Feb. 9 - Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12]; Psalm 112:1-9 [10]; 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 [13-16]; Matthew 5:13-20

Feb. 16 - Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 119:1-8; 1 Corinthians 3:1-9; Matthew 5:21-37

Feb. 23 - Exodus 24:12-18; Psalm 2 or Psalm 99; 2 Peter 1:16-21; Matthew 17:1-9

## *Upcoming Events*

Feb. 2 - Scout Sunday

Feb. 5 - Feast @ First

Feb. 9 - Diaconate mtg., 5:00 pm

Feb. 16 - Preschool Sunday

Feb. 20-23 - Men's Golf Trip

Feb. 23 - Prayer Gathering

Feb. 26 - Ash Wed.

## Reminders

**Elders:** Tom Turner, Ed Kappus

### Sound System

Kaye Wilkerson, Rea Brown,  
Scott Rice, Mike Stoots

### Greeters

**Ramp Room** (8:50 - 9; 10 -10:30)

Feb. 2 - Lee Slover, Julie Drewry

Feb. 9 - Sandy McCullar

Feb. 16 - Tom & Helen Thompson

Feb. 23 - Linda Brown

**Greeters Narthex** (10:00-10:30):

Feb. 2 - Teal Bennett

Feb. 9 - Barry & Anne Webb

Feb. 16 - Cathy Loving-Kirk

Feb. 23 - Trish Hawley

### Deacons on Duty:

Feb. 2 - Helen Thompson,  
Brenda White-Edwards

Feb. 9 - Jan Tyree

Feb. 16 - Linda Brown, Carol Danielsen

Feb. 23 - Lynn Wimmer

## Birthdays

1 Tori Petty

8 Gary Roth

9 Cathy Loving-Kirk

10 Emma Hartman

11 Will Jones

12 Terra Wiley

19 Joan Ward

24 Michael Ridenhour

25 Ken Ward

26 David Hurst

27 Eliza bain

28 Caroline Roberts

## Youth Activities

Sunday School, 9 am located downstairs in Youth Room

Bojangles Bible Study 7 am every Tuesday

Youth Group 6 pm, Wednesdays downstairs in the Youth Room

For the first time ever, we are having

### Preschool Sunday.

When: Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>

Time: 10:30

Location: FEPC Sanctuary

Families from the preschool will join us for worship, a children's story and a reception following the service in the fellowship hall. First EPC loves the preschool and we encourage you to get to know them better. If you have memories to share please email them to Kaye Wilkerson at [folkharp111@gmail.com](mailto:folkharp111@gmail.com).



“God has entrusted to us the ministry of the Word, not its results.”

R. C. Sproul

## ***Elders***

### Class of 2020

Andrew Fuller  
Ed Kappus  
Scott Rice  
Mike Stoots  
Tom Turner

### Class of 2021

Rea Brown  
Mike Bumpass  
Bob Collis  
Bill Gearhart  
Al Soltis

### Class of 2022

Karen Hankins  
Doug McLaughlin  
Kaye Wilkerson

## ***Deacons***

### Class of 2020

Amanda Bean  
Linda Brown  
Carol Danielsen  
Susan Guelich  
Patty Hunt  
Jan Tyree  
Brenda White-Edwards

### Class of 2021

Chris Ayers  
Susan Blanding  
Pat Povtak  
Michael Ridenhour  
Helen Thompson

### Class of 2022

Roseanne Bumpass  
Carolyn Fedison  
Marlene Flynn  
Sheila Harms  
Lynn Wimmer

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Mr. William Turner, Organist

Dr. Erma Rose, Handbell Director

Mrs. Lorri Wright, Administrative Assistant, [lwright@fpc.roacoxmail.com](mailto:lwright@fpc.roacoxmail.com)

Office Hours: Tuesday—Friday, 8:00 am—4:30 pm

Sunday School begins at 9 am. Sunday worship service begins at 10:30 am in the Sanctuary. Nursery provided for infants and toddlers from 9 am to 12 pm.

Guests always welcome

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