

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 Patti Trail (Children) or Pete Guillard (Youth) at 344-3204.

Class - Age	Room	Teachers
Children's Ministry		
Infants & Toddlers	115	Dale Brower, Niki Payne, Amanda Young
PreK-K-1	114	Mike Trail
Children's Sunday School 2-5	Library	Kaye Wilkerson
Youth		
Grades 6-12	Youth Rm	Pete Guillard

Adult Sunday School
McClanahan /Good News - Room 207
Koinonia/Cornerstone - Fellowship Hall
Agape Class - Parlor

Reminders

Elders: Scott Rice, Andy Fuller
Sound System: Kaye Wilkerson, Scott Rice, Mike Stoots, Rea Brown
Greeters Ramp Room (8:50-9:00 & 10:00-10:30):
 Aug. 30 - Lew Richardson
 Sept. 6 - Nancy Poore
 Sept. 13 - Bobby & Susan Dobyns
 Sept. 20 - CP & Carol Lockhart
 Sept. 27 - Marcia Ridenhour
Greeters Narthex (10:00-10:30):
 Aug. 31 - Greg Richardson
 Sept. 6 - Andrea Guillard
 Sept. 13 - Jim Gibson
 Sept. 20 - Tom & Helen Thompson
 Sept. 27 - Tanya Villani
Deacons on Duty:
 Aug. 30 - Amanda Bean
 Sept. 6 - Linda Brown
 Sept. 13 - Chris Ayers, Roseann Bumpass
 Sept. 20 - Susan Blanding
 Sept. 27 - Marlene Flynn
Acolytes:
 Aug. 30 - Stella Guelich

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

Operating Fund Revenue thru 7/31/20:

YTD Budgeted	\$352,502
YTD Actual	\$297,694
Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$54,808)

Please make every effort to keep your financial stewardship up-to-date.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in memory of Oscar Thornsbury.

CALENDAR

Today, 8/30 Sunday School, 9:00 am; Worship, 10:30 am
Monday, 8/31 Church office closed on Mondays
Tuesday, 9/1 Men's ZOOM Bible Study, 12:00 pm; SIBS (Sisters in Bible Study), 10:00 am; Adult Bible Study (ABS), 5:15 pm
Wednesday, 9/2 Youth Group, 6:00 pm
Thursday, 9/3 Men's Breakfast, 7:00 am; Staff meeting, 10:00 am; Men's Bible Study, 2:30 pm
Friday, 9/4 Prayer Mtg., 10:00 am

*Hearing devices are located in the Narthex to assist in listening to today's service
 Wi-Fi password is Guest2101**

Greetings from First Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Good morning and welcome to First Evangelical Presbyterian Church. We are glad you are here, and if you are visiting, we pray that you will return often and that you will consider joining us here at First church in Ministry and Service. First EPC is a caring family of all ages. Children and families are special to us, and this is a great place to make new friends and to grow in Christian Discipleship.

You can join First EPC by Profession of Faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior; Reaffirmation of Faith if you have already made a Profession of Faith but have not been active in a church for some time; or by Transfer of Letter if you have been a member of another Church and now want to join First EPC. We do hope you will consider joining us here.

Just speak to Rev. Bob Smith or the two Elders at the right front of our Sanctuary at the end of our Service today!

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

Children's Worship

In an effort to keep leaders and greeters safe from germs, we are pausing Children's Worship for the time being. The children may worship with his/her parents.

Please take care and keep trusting in our sovereign Lord.

All the Best,
 Patti Trail

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AUGUST 30, 2020

10:30 a.m.

Pastor: The Rev. Robert D. Smith
 Director of Music & Children's Ministries:
 Mrs. Patricia K. Trail
 Director of Youth & Adult Christian Education:
 Mr. Pete G. Guillard
 Organist: Mr. William Turner
 Handbell Director: Dr. Erma Rose

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

AUGUST 30, 2020

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PREPARATION, PROMISES AND PRAISE

(We invite you to quiet yourself in preparation for the worship of God when you hear the prelude music.)

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

WELCOME AND INVITATION TO SHARE OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

Prelude "Blessed Jesus, We Are Here" Bach

Call to Worship The Rev. Robert Smith

Leader: Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.

People: The Lord is the stronghold of our lives.

Leader: We desire to live in God's house and to seek God in his holy temple.

People: We have come with shouts of joy, to sing and to make music to the Lord.

Leader: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

People: Teach us your ways and make straight our paths in this hour of worship and always. —based on Psalm 27; John 4:23

*Hymn "Lift High the Cross" insert

*Prayer of Adoration

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

Forgive us, O Lord, for everything that spoils our home life: for the moodiness and irritability that make us difficult to live with, for the insensitivity that makes us careless of the feelings of others, for the selfishness that makes life harder for others. Forgive us, O Lord, for everything that spoils our witness for you; that we so often deny with our lives what we say with our lips; for the difference between our creed and our conduct, our profession and our practice; for any example that makes it easier for people to criticize your church or for another to sin. When we think of ourselves and of the meanness and ugliness and weakness of our lives, we thank you for Jesus Christ, our Savior. Grant unto us a true penitence for our sins. Grant that at the foot of the cross we may find our burdens rolled away. And so strengthen us by your Spirit that in the days to come we may live more nearly as we ought. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news: This saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Thanks be to God. —based on 1 Timothy 1:15; 1 Peter 2:24

*Gloria Patri No. 735
(Let the children come forward during the singing of the Gloria.)

LISTENING TO THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Time The Rev. Robert Smith

*Hymn "All to Jesus I Surrender" insert

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Matthew 16:21-28

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: "Prayer from *Les Miserables*" Schönberg
Bryan Matheson, solo

Scripture: Romans 12:9-21

Sermon "A Significant Christian Walk"
The Rev. Robert Smith

RESPONSE IN DEDICATION AND OBEDIENCE

Prayers of the People of God and Our Lord's Prayer

*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

Offering of Ourselves to God and to One Another

Our Greetings

Offertory "Gabriel's Oboe" Morricone

Our Gratitude

"The Doxology" No. 731
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn "Here I Am, Lord" insert

Benediction "Twofold Amen" No. 739

Postlude "Rigaudon" Campra/Biggs

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

Announcements

Presbyterian Community Center Food Needs

Sept. - Chicken Noodle & Tomato soup



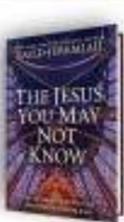
Prayer Focus

Pray for God's grace to equip you for everything good.
1 Cor. 1:30; Rom. 6:4; 2 Cor. 10:4-5

SISTERS IN BIBLE STUDY

On Tuesday 9/1/20 we'll visit China, the Philippines, and South Korea with Tim Challies as our travel guide. Today there are millions of believers in these countries because of the seeds lovingly planted by missionaries. Join us at 10:00 AM to learn more about the spread of the gospel in these Asian countries!

Monday night (SIBS), sisters in bible study will resume on September 21. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall from 6:00-7:30. Our first study will be "The Jesus You May Not Know" by David Jeremiah. We will practice social distancing and a face covering will be required. Please contact Deborah Mattern if you want to attend so a book can be ordered. 540-761-9302 (call or text), mattern.deborah@gmail.com



LISHY'S GIFT
2ND ANNUAL BENEFIT
GOLF TOURNAMENT

ENTRY FEE:

\$100 per person; \$400 per team; \$100 hole sponsor
Captain's Choice
Friday, October 2, 2020
Hanging Rock Golf Club

More information and to register visit www.lishysgift.com

Tuesday Morning Bible Study (SIBS) fall semester begins 9/15/2020! We will begin David Jeremiah's Agents of Babylon at 9:30 AM on Tuesday, 9/15/20 - this is a 12-week, video-driven study concerning the prophecies found in the book of Daniel, and how they may relate to the end times. Our classes meet on Tuesdays except for the second Tuesday of each month. Due to CDC guidelines and physical distancing requirements, the location for our classes is still being determined, but if you would like a hard surface on which to take notes, bring a lap desk or tv table. I've purchased study books, which are available for \$10/each. Please prayerfully consider joining us for this timely study that's sure to be thought-provoking. Any questions? Contact me, Lynn Wimmer, at (H) 540-769-5169 or (C) 540-581-5445.



The FEPC Nominating Committee has begun work to select a group of candidates to fill positions of Elder and Deacon for the Class of 2023. If you would like to suggest the name of someone for consideration, please complete the following and place it in the offering plate

I am submitting _____ to the Nominating Committee for consideration for the office of _____.