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Welcome to the Allentown Presbyterian Church



Sunday, June 14, 2026
9:30am

*In response to the grace of God, our mission is to grow a
community of fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ to
produce abundant spiritual fruit for the Kingdom of God.*

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Welcome

Welcome to worship at APC!
We are a 305-year-old church with a youthful spirit and a sense that God is always “doing a new thing” in our midst.

We're so glad you're here!

New? Wanting to go deeper? We'd love to get to know you and help you take your next step in your faith journey. Place a Connect Card in the offering plate or get connected here! →



Have Children?

Nursery Care is provided for infants through age 3, from 9:15-10:45am. **KinderWorship** is available during worship for ages Pre-K (4) thru 1st Grade after the Children's Message. Register here →



If you need to step out at any point, the service will be playing next door in Schulte Hall.



Prayer Requests: Leave a written request in the offering plate or submit your prayer request here.

Sundays at APC

Worship - 9:30am (online & in-person)

Christian Education will pause until September

Summer Sermon Series: Oh, The Places You'll Go

Join us for our summer sermon series, 'Oh, The Places You'll Go,' as we journey through the most iconic landscapes of Scripture. From quiet gardens and remote mountains to bustling cities and lakesides, these ancient locations are more than just dots on a map. They are the backdrops of faith, courage, and grace. Discover how these places speak to our lives today and remind us that wherever we go, God goes with us.

Order of Worship

Opening Song “Beautiful One”

Enoch Smith Jr.

Time of Greeting

Song “Come Thou Fount”

Prayer of Confession

Isaac Meerleo

Creator God,
You formed us in love
and placed us within the goodness of Your creation.
Yet we confess that we often trust ourselves
more than You.

We seek our own wisdom, pursue our own desires,
and ignore the boundaries that lead to life.
When we fall short, we hide behind excuses,
blame others, and withdraw from Your presence.
Forgive us for the ways we turn from You.
Restore our trust in Your goodness.
Teach us to walk faithfully with You,
and renew in us the joy of living as Your beloved people.
Hear us as we pray...

Assurance of Pardon

Children's Message

Rev. Dr. Stephen Heinzl-Nelson

Minute for Ministry

Scripture Genesis 2:8-17

Sermon “The Road Back to Eden”

Rev. Lindsay Anderson-Beck

Offering “Gratitude”

Doxology

Prayers

Closing Song “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Benediction

Upcoming Events

- **Bear Bible Buddies | TODAY!**

- For kids PreK (4) - rising 6th graders
- A new opportunity to stay connected with God and their faith community over the summer with their own Bear Bible Buddy!
- Program dates: 6/28-8/29
- Be sure to register & RSVP
- **"Meet Your Bear" at Crossroads TODAY Sunday 6/14, 10:45am-12pm**



- **VBS 2026: Rainforest Falls | 6/22 - 6/26**

- Register a participant or as a volunteer
- Free! All are welcome!
- PreK(4) through 6th Graders
- 6:15pm - 8:45pm



- ***We need 220 Pringles containers WITH the LIDS (empty or full) for VBS.***

- **APC at Trenton Thunder | Saturday 7/25, 6:00PM**

- APC is going to the ballpark!
- There will be fireworks after the game and it's "Faith and Family" night at the park.
- APC has reserved 40 tickets so RSVP now to save your seat! Only \$8 per ticket.
- Contact Maureen with any questions



- **Crossroads Camp | 8/24-8/28**

- Incoming 6th-8th graders are invited to join us for a week of igniting joy, deepening faith, unleashing creativity, and building lasting connections with God and one another!
- When: August 24th- August 28th: 9am-4pm
(Early drop off and late pickup available)
- Cost: \$225 (Partial Scholarships are available!)
- Sign up by 8/1 - SPOTS ARE LIMITED!
- Contact Isaac Meerleo with any questions 609-668-7422



- **Marriage Mentorship**

- We believe that marriage matters and that strong marriages grow in community with others.
- Sign up to be paired with a mentor couple a few steps ahead in their own marriage journey. Mentorship isn't counseling or crisis care— it's encouragement, prayer, practical wisdom, and steady support.



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Kneeling Notes

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

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