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Offering Plate: Place an envelope with your cash/check donation in collection plate during the offering time

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Welcome to

the Allentown Presbyterian Church

Sunday, October 11, 2026

8:30 & 11:00am

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 8:15-12:15am. 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 - 8:30am *(livestream available)*
Christian Education - 9:45-10:45am
Worship - 11:00am

Current Series: The Story
Have you ever wanted to read the Bible? Or wondered what it's really all about? Here's your chance. Beginning September 20th, we are reading through the narrative of Scripture together, as one church family, over one year. "The Story" is the Bible's own text, arranged in 31 easy-to-read chapters (with some sections edited or summarized) that let the grand sweep of the narrative shine through – from creation, through Moses and David, to the Messiah Jesus and the birth of the Church.

Order of Worship

Opening Song *"I Thank God"* *Enoch Smith Jr*

Time of Greeting *Rev. Lindsay Anderson-Beck*

Song *"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" / "No Longer Slaves"*

Prayer of Confession *Sam Buckley / Paula Lotito*
Yahweh,
you hold all that has been and all that will be
in every moment of our lives.
Still, we question your plans though we see your hand
on our hearts. We see our own limitations and push back,
give up, and deny your purpose and plan for our lives.
Forgive our impatience, Lord, and bring us back
to the innocence of a child, trusting that your promise
is the stronghold that will push away our fears
and strengthen our faith in you.
Hear us, as we pray...

Assurance of Pardon

Children's Message *Maureen Harshman*

Minute for Ministry *Rev. Dr. Stephen Heinzel-Nelson*

Scripture Exodus 14:10-15, 21-25

Sermon *"Choose Your Hard"* *J.C. Fowler*

Offering *"Egypt"*

Doxology

Prayers

Closing Song *"Firm Foundation"*

Benediction

Upcoming Events

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- **Family Fellowship Gathering (FFG) | Mon, 10/12, 5:30-7pm**
  - It's GAME NIGHT!
  - Join us in Schulte Hall for dinner, fun, & games!
  - Please RSVP to Maureen 609-658-1975

- **Marriage Genius | Sunday, 11/1, 5-7:30pm**
  - Join us at Crossroads for dinner and a fun, interactive evening where you'll discover what energizes you, what drains you, and how understanding one another can strengthen your marriage and help you grow closer to God.
  - $45 per couple
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