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## Weekly Program Registrations



### Children's Ministry Sunday School

Pre-K - 5: Sun. 9:45-10:45am  
**Stepping Stones**  
Grades 1&2: Thurs. 5-6:15pm  
**R.O.C.K.**  
Grades 3-5: Thurs. 5-7:30pm

### Adult Ministry



### Crossroads Youth Ministry Sunday School

Grades 6-12: Sun. 9:45-10:45am  
**HS Youth Group**  
Grades 9-12: Tues. 6:30-8:30pm  
**MS Youth Group**  
Grades 6-8: Wed. 6:30-8:30pm

## Giving at APC

**Mail a Check:** APC - 20 High St. Allentown, NJ 08501

**Scan the QR** or visit [allentownpresbyterian.org/give](http://allentownpresbyterian.org/give)

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# Welcome to the Allentown Presbyterian Church



**Sunday, November 16, 2025**  
**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. Get connected here →



### **Have Children?**

Nursery Care is provided for infants through age 3,  
from 8:15am-12:15pm. KinderWorship is available  
during worship for ages Pre-K (4) thru 1st Grade  
after the Children's Message. Register here →



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

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## Sundays at APC

**Worship - 8:30am** (*livestream available*)

**Christian Education for all ages - 9:45-10:45am**

**Worship - 11:00am**

### **Sermon Series:**

#### ***Sent: The First Missionary Journey of Paul***

The church in Antioch was young—yet it was bold enough  
to send Paul and his companions into uncharted territory  
with the gospel. From the very beginning, Christianity has  
been a **sent faith**—a faith on the move. Join us as we step  
into this exciting story of adventure, opposition, and  
unexpected victories. It's the story of the earliest church  
planting efforts. And it's also our story. Just as Paul was  
sent, we too are sent—right here in Allentown and beyond  
—to preach, teach, serve, and bring healing in Jesus' name.

## Order of Worship

### Welcome

*Rev. Lindsay Anderson-Beck*

### Call to Worship

*Peggy Sue Wright / Mike De Ieso*

L: In a world where lies surround us,  
All: **Your word is like fire, God nearby!**

L: In a world full of false prophets and empty promises,  
All: **Your word is like fire, God nearby!**

L: In a world where words don't have meaning,  
All: **Your word is like fire, God nearby!**  
L: We are here, ready for our faith to be kindled by  
your word.

All: **We are here to worship the God who is nearby!**

### Song “*This is the Day*”

### Confession

Holy God, we lament the ways in which worldly voices  
whisper lies and yell falsehoods, drowning out calls for  
justice, suffocating reasons for hope, fueling division, and  
sparking anger. We confess that often we listen to these  
foolish voices, believing their lies, accepting despair,  
allowing apathy to smother our aching for justice, and  
permitting partisanship to permeate our purpose.  
Grant us the grace to evaluate the words of the world  
according to the truth we have from you, through the  
Word we have from you, in the hope we have from you.  
Turn our divisions into connections. Turn our apathy into  
action. Turn our anger into peace-filled purpose. Turn our  
destructive impulses into opportunities for your righteous  
restoration. Hear us as we pray...

### Song “*Way Maker*”

### Children's Message

*Rich Daesener*

### Scripture Acts 14: 8-20

### Sermon Sent: Just Like You

*Rev. Dr. Stephen Heinzl-Nelson*

### God Moment

*Ella Petrowski*

### Offering “*Do It Again*”

### Doxology

### Prayers

### Closing Song “*Goodness of God*”

### Benediction

# Upcoming Events

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  - Join us as we welcome our new members!
  - We will also have the opportunity to make our financial pledges for 2026.
    - You should receive a letter and pledge card in the mail this week.
    - Pledge cards are also available in the pews.
- **Church Decorating | Saturday November 29<sup>th</sup>, 12-3pm**
  - Help us decorate the Sanctuary  for the season of Advent!
  - Lunch will be provided.
  - RSVP by Wednesday 11/26
  - Questions? [courtney@allentownpresbyterian.org](mailto:courtney@allentownpresbyterian.org)
- **Advent Village 2025 | Saturday December 6<sup>th</sup>, 10-3pm**
  - Join us for an alternative shopping experience.
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