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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

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# *Welcome to the Allentown Presbyterian Church*



**Sunday, November 30, 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 →  
*If you need to step out at any point, the service  
will be playing next door.*



**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 - 9:45-10:45am**

**\*\*No Christian Ed 11/30\*\***

**Worship - 11:00am**

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### **Advent Sermon Series:**

***What Are You Waiting For?***

The hymn, "O Come O Come Emmanuel" captures the spirit of  
advent. It tells of the deep longing for God to break into the  
world; a longing that was met with the birth of Jesus. This  
longing continues, as we wait with expectation for Jesus to  
come again, and again. Join us this advent as, along with the  
prophets of old, we await the coming of the Messiah.

### **December Adult Ed Series:**

***Growing in Prayer and the Contemplative Life***

## Order of Worship

### Welcome/Announcements

*Maureen Harshman*

### Advent Candle Lighting

*The Van Morter Family  
The Burgess Family*

**Song** “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

### Confession

Good and gracious Parent,  
all that you require of us is to do justice,  
love kindness, and journey humbly with you.  
We confess that we are ensnared in systems  
that trade justice for comfort of the few.  
Forgive us for fearing the risks of following you  
in a culture where money & power is king,  
for chasing after earthly things rather than moving  
towards your outstretched arms.

Audacious Spirit, give us the courage to do your justice.  
Compassionate Christ, teach us to love kindness and to  
share each other's burdens gladly. Amen.

**Song** “Light of the World”

### Children's Message

*Maureen Harshman*

**Scripture** Isaiah 40: 27-31

**Sermon** Waiting Well

*J.C. Fowler*

**Offering** “Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”

### Prayer

**Closing Song** “Come thou Long Expected Jesus”

### Benediction

## Upcoming Events

- **Advent Village 2025 | Saturday December 6<sup>th</sup>, 10-3pm**
  - Join us for an alternative shopping experience.
  - Enjoy a delicious meal, festive holiday entertainment, and a stroll down Mission Avenue!
  - Special guests:
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    - The Silent Monks
    - Drew Smith and the Philly Connection
    - Christmas Trivia with Richie Rich
    - Holiday Favorites with Enoch Smith Jr.
  - Petting Zoo: 11:00am-2:00pm
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