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Welcome to the Allentown Presbyterian Church



Sunday, May 31, 2026
Children & Youth Sunday
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

Call to Worship

Kinsley Kaplan

Opening Song

“I Know a Name”

Youth Band

Time of Greeting

Song *“Goodness of God”*

Minute for Ministry

Prayer of Confession

Rosalie Rossi

Dear God,
Please forgive us when our actions don't reflect Your love. Especially moments when we don't listen or say things that are hurtful to others. We are sorry for the times we are selfish, rude, or dishonest.

We know how you want us to behave. We should listen to others, be kind with our words, and honest with ourselves & others. Forgive us when we are not truthful or helpful.

Sometimes we don't tell others we are Christians, unlike the apostles Paul, Barnabas, & Timothy. Give us strength to embrace our faith and encourage others to join us at church. We know you want us to speak and act out loud like they did.

Assurance of Pardon

Danny Kirkenir

Song *“Goodness of God” (refrain)*

Children's Message

Miss Maureen & Friends

Scripture

1 Peter 4:8-11 & James 2:14-17

Keira Foy & Toni Rebadavia

Sermon

“Journey of Faith” Abigail Horner & Evelyn Deleso

Confirmation Class of 2026

Offering

“Party at Heaven’s Gate”

ROCK Choir

Doxology

Enoch Smith Jr. & 2nd Graders

Prayers

1st Graders

Closing Song

“Open the Eyes of my Heart”

Youth Band

Benediction

Alex Foy & Dylan Trama

Upcoming Events

- **Annual Congregational Meeting | Sunday, 6/7, 10:45am**
 - Join us immediately following the 9:30 worship service
 - Our men's ministry will provide a delicious breakfast, we will receive the annual report, elect new officers, and have some special recognitions.

- **Bear Bible Buddies**

- 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 on Sunday 6/14, 10:45am-12pm



- **VBS Work Day | Saturday, 6/13, 9am-7pm**

- Let us know if you are interested in helping us prepare for an incredible week!



- **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



- **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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