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### APC Church Officers

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## 3/16/2025 Allentown Presbyterian Church

"I am the vine, you are the branches;  
if you abide in me you will bear much fruit." (John 15:5)  
*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.*

### Welcome/Announcements

Rev. Dr. Stephen Heinzl-Nelson

### Confession

Isaac Meerleo / Bob Rhoad

### Opening Song

How Great Thou Art

### Confession

Lord of All Creation, we cannot even fathom the endless lengths to which your love goes. Again and again, you give yourself to us, and you give us the choice to accept your saving grace.

But in our weak humanness, we neglect your great gift and don't share it with your intentions. We love conditionally, and we judge unfairly. We let our ignorance rule, afraid to accept what we don't understand.

Lord Jesus, we ask your mercy and forgiveness for these choices that serve no one. Guide us toward the path of acceptance of others, and of ourselves. Hear us as we pray...

### Song

Heart Won't Stop / Stand By Me

### Children's Message

Maureen Harshman

### Sacrament of Baptism

Emersyn Anne Oris

### Scripture

Matthew 21:12-17

### Sermon

Flipping Tables

J.C. Fowler

### Offering

Turning Over Tables

### Doxology

### Communion

### Closing Song

The Way

### Benediction

## Welcome

Welcome to worship at APC!

We are a 304-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 that you have said yes to God's invitation to be a part of it this morning.

**Welcome to our Guests:** If you are looking for a church family or just visiting, we welcome you. As a child of God you belong here. Please fill out the Connect Card located in front of you and place it in the offering plate so we can send you some information about APC. If you have questions about APC, call the office (609-259-7289) or speak with one of the Pastors following Worship.

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

*Coloring books and crayons are located in the back of the sanctuary for our youngest worshippers.*

**Prayer Requests:** If you have requests, please see one of the Pastors or any of our Elders or Deacons. You can also scan the QR code to submit a prayer request.

**Restrooms:** Are located next door through Schulte Hall and the Potter Room and also downstairs next to the Nursery.



## Sundays at APC

### Worship | 8:30am (online & in-person) and 11:00am (in-person)

#### Lenten Sermon Series: The Table

The Gospels are full of stories of Jesus sharing meals with disciples, friends, and even tax collectors and Pharisees. In one moment he's multiplying bread to feed a whole crowd, next he's relaxing with his inner circle, and then he's telling curious elites stories about even greater banquets. These stories culminate in "the last supper" on the night before his crucifixion; a meal Jesus invites his followers to continue eating long after his resurrection. Join us in worship during the season of Lent, as we receive communion weekly and explore the rich imagery and symbolism of the table -- and how it speaks to our lives today.

### Christian Education for All Ages | 9:45-10:45am

#### Adult Education Series: And Who Is My Neighbor? *Cultivating Love and Justice in Dangerous Times*

Americans don't agree about much these days but across various lines that divide mistrust and fear are on the rise and a sense of danger is growing. Is it still possible for congregations to cultivate both love and justice in times like these? Join us for our new adult education series as we look to the great cloud of witnesses who has gone before us and reflect together on the age-old question, "And who is my neighbor?". The class will be led by Dr. Heath W. Carter, the Associate Professor of American Christianity and the Director of PhD Studies at Princeton Theological Seminary.

## Giving at APC

Thank you to everyone who has continued to give!  
Below are a variety of ways that you can give to APC.

**Members: 2025 Per Capita is \$40.**

Scan the QR code or visit [allentownpresbyterian.org/give](http://allentownpresbyterian.org/give)  
Text to Give: Gifts can be submitted by text using credit/debit cards or ACH bank transfers. Text: **GIVE2APC** To: **1-888-364-4483**

Mail a Check:  
Allentown Presbyterian Church, 20 High St., Allentown, NJ 08501

**Did you make a pledge for 2025?** Scan the QR or go to our website to learn how to edit your existing donation or set up a new one!



## Coming Up

- **Game Night** | Friday March 21, 7-9pm
  - Hosted by the Mental Health Matters ministry
  - Light refreshments will be provided. Open to everyone ages 18+.
- **Congregational Potluck Dinner** | Sunday March 23, 6pm in Schulte Hall.
- **The Transfigured Night** | Monday April 7, 7:00pm in the Sanctuary
  - Music by Mozart and Schenberg
  - Performed by The Allentown Chamber Players
- **FFG** | Monday April 7, 6-7:30pm in Schulte Hall
  - Young families are invited to join us for dinner and fun!
  - RSVP to Maureen Harshman 609-658-1975



- **Maine Mission Trip** | Sign ups close 4/9!
  - July 19-26
  - Scan to learn more and sign up.
  - Questions? Contact [jcfowler@allentownpresbyterian.org](mailto:jcfowler@allentownpresbyterian.org)

- **Easter Ham Drive** | Now through April 13th
  - The deacons are collecting hams for 40 families in the community. Let us know if you'll be donating by scanning the QR code. Donations should be dropped off by 4/13. Email Rob Albright with questions. [albrighttrajr@gmail.com](mailto:albrighttrajr@gmail.com)



## Kneeling Notes

### In Our Thoughts and Prayers

**Members** - Nate Ugi; Savannah Barry; Dan Poll; Ed Velez; Katie Smith; Lisa Neuman; Ruth Bertagni; Sharon Ward; Kirsten Howell; Dave & Barbara Gray; Carolyn German; Lydia Boruta; Ida & Ken Ruch; Ruth & Ed Demarest; Jody Vaccarella; The Lotitos; Roberta Holmes; Kathy Plotner

**Friends** - Don Lacrosse; Maria DiStefano (Joe Bocchini's friend); Bob Dix (Joan Witherow's brother); Miriam Bajzath (Jim Bajzath's mother); Emily Worden (Friend of Melissa Mandeville); Dan Zander (Joe Bocchini's cousin); Cheryl Lotito, Audra Sussman, The Moore Family, Thomas Lotito, Mike Woods (friends and family of the Lotito family); Charles, Leyna, and Christianne Ferzli (family of Jessica Sudah); The family of Bob Myers (friend of Helen & Pat DeLorenzo); Margaret Neuman; Lari Sapnar (family member of Allyn McLaughlin); Judi Carroll and Bob Hoch (friends of Laura Pellichero); Jeff (Janet Jackson's Husband); Barry Jesse (friend of Vicki & Jeff McLaughlin); Luke Borden (family member of Vicki Elkins); Peter Sharpe and Family (friend of Thea Tantum); Diane Judkins (friend of Vicki Elkins); Julie (cousin of Renee Martin); Debra Maurer; Linda Carr; Brooke Bierne (niece of Maureen Harshman); Thomas (JoAnn Mount's son); Tracey Amico; Mariah Scott; Joan Thomas (sister-in-law of Dawn Koetting); Jessica Sudah's Father; Lorraine Bruno and Christopher Brooks (Mother and Brother-in-Law of Heather Saracen); JoAnn Harvey (Ashley LeBrun's grandmother); Joyce Offery (sister of Pam Wargo); Jen Bullock's Mother & Family; Don Heddy (brother of Rich Heddy); Ben Swomiak and family; Verle Cristman (Jan Cristman's father-in-law); Elaine Szul (friend of Helen DeLorenzo); Shaune Denson (son of Linda Carr); Jackie (friend of Beverly Blauvelt); Staci Blahut (cousin of Brittany Kaplan); Meghan Sacks (friend of the Harshmans); Eveleen Conti (friend of Anne Haines); Suzanne Albright (mother of Rob Albright); Larry Long & Brooke Long (friends of Ann Marie Wiedemann); Yun Lee (Julie Yi Kiernen's brother-in-law); Donna Damico (Janet Jackson's sister-in-law); Scott Crosson (nephew of the Harshmans); Andrew Sekeras (Mary Kokesh's brother).

**Our PCUSA Mission Co-Workers:** Rev. Leslie Vogel, Rev. Cheryl Barnes  
**Ministry Candidates Under Care for ordination in the PCUSA:** Dr. Sarah Vick, Jordan Heinz-Nelson