

**December 7, 2025**



We are so glad you could join us.  
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**NURSERY CARE** is available at both the 9:00 am and 10:30 am worship services. Children (infants through age 3) are invited to play in our nursery, located on our main floor, while their parents attend worship. Our nursery staff welcomes children 10 minutes before the start of worship and will have them ready to pick up when the service ends.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN** (preschool – 5<sup>th</sup> grade)

Sunday school is available during both the 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. services. Children can meet their teachers in the Narthex beginning 5 minutes before the start of worship and walk to the Sunday school classroom together. After their lesson, the teachers walk the children back to the sanctuary to reunite with their families. **PLEASE NOTE: there will be no Sunday School on December 28.**

**YOUTH SMALL GROUPS** meet monthly on the **first Sunday of the month at 9:00 am in Fellowship Hall.** These gatherings are a safe place for students to grow their relationships with each other and with God. You are invited to join us for the 10:30 am contemporary worship.

Middle school and high school students meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month for **ECHO**. This gathering is a time of group games, Bible learning, small groups, prayer, dessert, and fellowship together. All are invited from 6:30-8pm.

**ADULT EDUCATION.** The One who made everything chose to make Himself nothing for us...and now we have promises that endure! God is always near us, always for us, always within us. **Join our four-week Advent Study, “Because of Bethlehem: Love is Born, Hope is Here,” by Max Lucado, beginning Nov. 23 and concluding Dec. 21** (no class Nov 30). We meet in Conference Room 1 at 10:30 am.

We have a team of prayer warriors who will be honored to pray for your concerns and keep them confidential. Send your prayer requests to [Debi@FPCAmbler.org](mailto:Debi@FPCAmbler.org).

## MEMBER PRAYER CONCERNS

Adam Baker  
Becky Brams  
Gladys Bunio  
Tracy Diehl  
Carol Douglas  
Falcone family  
Barb Frankl  
John Gill, Jr.  
Peggy Kay

Deb Koziol  
Cheryl Kurpiel  
Diana Mackie  
Dick McNeal  
Peg Powell-Morris  
George Mullin  
Gwen Neveil  
Helen Riley  
Alice Rogerson

Al Tweedie, Jr.  
Dianne Wiggins  
Leslie Wise  
Usha Varughese  
Denise Walters  
Rob Weir  
Suzanne Whitley  
Mark Yantek

### **Prayer requests from family and friends.** (Listed in the order received):

Cooper asks for prayers for a Happy First Christmas for Ryland  
Kaycey Reff, sister of Junior Reff  
David Sawyer, father of Eloise Sawyer  
Gen Gerhard  
Joe and children Sebastian and Gabriella  
    whose wife/mother Veronica has died, friends of Sara Ingram  
Dave Thompson, stepbrother of Adam Baker  
Andy Callegari, brother-in-law of Linda Callegari  
Kelley and Dani Stratton and families, cousins of Jean Miksch  
Evan Knaff, friend of Matt and Janessa Davis  
Lindsay Anderson asks us to pray for Erik and his family  
Co-worker friend of Katie Marlowe



**THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS**  
are given in loving memory  
of Robert Morris from Margaret and family.

To dedicate sanctuary flowers (\$70)  
contact: Holly Stevens ([holly.h.stevens@hotmail.com](mailto:holly.h.stevens@hotmail.com))



**OUR LITURGICAL CALENDAR.** Advent is a period of reflection to celebrate the birth of Jesus. But this is only part of its meaning as Advent also points us toward the Second Coming of Christ. At the end of the Old Testament, Israel was in exile, waiting and hoping in prayerful expectation for the coming of the Messiah. In this same way, we look forward in eager anticipation to the coming of Christ's kingdom when He returns for His people.

*Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering,  
for He Who promised is faithful. (Hebrews 10:23)*



### **CHRISTMAS FLOWER DEDICATIONS.**

You are invited to help us fill the sanctuary with the joy and beauty of Christmas! Please complete a dedication form and submit a minimum donation of \$10 by December 14.

#### **How to Submit a Dedication:**

- Online: [Complete the dedication form](#) (link/QR code).
- Paper Form: Pick one up at the Welcome Desk and place it in the offering plate or return it to the church office.
- Mail: Send your form and payment to:  
*First Presbyterian Church of Ambler*  
*4 S. Ridge Avenue, Ambler, PA 19002*



#### **How to Give:**

- Online: Follow the GIVE tab at [fpcambler.org](http://fpcambler.org).
- Check: Payable to *First Presbyterian Church of Ambler*, with "Christmas Flowers" in the memo line, and return to the church office.



**ANGEL TREE.** This year the deacons are collecting \$25 grocery gift cards. Take an envelope off the Angel Tree, buy a gift card at a grocery store mentioned on the label, put it in the envelope and return it in the offering plate or church office by Dec. 21. You can also donate online, and the deacons will buy your gift card. Thank you for your generosity!

# Christmas Eve Worship

3:00 pm Family

5:00 pm Contemporary

9:00 pm Traditional

Christmas offerings will be given to Family Promise

December 28 - Hymn Sing at 10:00 am



**YOU ARE INVITED** to an Ambler Community Youth Event **TODAY, Sunday, December 7, 2025**, from 3-5pm at Ambler Borough Gym, 131 Rosemary Avenue. Hosted by: Ambler Church of the Brethren, Ambler Mennonite Church, Darchei Noam, First Presbyterian Church of Ambler, Grace Baptist Church Blue Bell, and WeCare. Lets celebrate together! Questions: email [wecare.ambler@gmail.com](mailto:wecare.ambler@gmail.com).





## **CHRISTMAS COOKIE EXCHANGE.**

You are invited on **Monday, December 8 at 7 pm** to our annual Cookie Exchange. Come taste cookies, meet new friends, and help us package treats for our homebound! We will be meeting in the Cafe and Lounge. Please bring 3-4 dozen cookies depending upon size. We'll make up some care packages to be delivered to someone who might need cheering up this

season. You'll leave with an assortment of Christmas cookies from the excellent bakers of our church. If you have any questions, contact Denise Walters ([dwalters931@gmail.com](mailto:dwalters931@gmail.com) | 267-471-2293.)



**BREAK EVERY CHAIN.** This event is about breaking free from barriers, building strength, and walking into new beginnings.

Free will offering with proceeds benefiting

**Being Beautiful Foundation** and

**Half a Million Kids Foundation.**

**December 12, 2025 | 6:30 pm.**

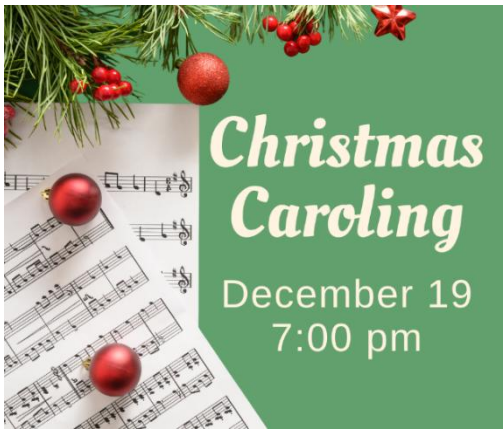


**Youth Group Bake Sale Fundraiser!**

**Sunday December 14<sup>th</sup> between services.**

Save the date now to pick up some sweet treats for your holiday parties and get together! If you would like to donate some baked good for the sale, just bring them the Sunday morning at 9am the day of the sale and know we appreciate your generosity! Middle School and High School students and families be sure to sign up with

Breanna Grant what you will be bringing. Thanks!



Join us for **CHRISTMAS CAROLING** at Silver Stream Nursing Center on **Friday, December 19**. Meet us in Silver Stream's parking lot at 7 pm, then continue the seasonal celebration with light refreshments at the home of Kim Henry.



### **HOSTING FAMILY PROMISE FAMILIES.**

Anyone who watches the news or shops for real estate knows how expensive housing is. Families in our own area struggle with homelessness and we at FPCA are honored to be able to help. Each year in January we host families from Family Promise. Beginning on Sunday, November 2, sign up to be a morning, dinner or evening host or provide meals. All

details will be provided. Daily hosting requires approximately 15 minutes.



### **SEEDS OF JOY MYSTERY READER.**

Come to Seed of Joy and read to our 2-, 3- or 4-year-old classes. We welcome readers of all ages, college kids on break, retired adults and working adults during their lunch hour!

Contact Teresa Nolin ([TNolin@fpcambler.org](mailto:TNolin@fpcambler.org) \ 267-644-5688)

## Sunday School Teachers Needed



Be part of something truly meaningful.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL.** You are invited to be a part of something truly meaningful this Fall season. Our children's ministry **urgently needs volunteers** to serve as Sunday school teachers and assistants. Whether you can give a few hours or serve more regularly, your presence can make a lasting difference in the lives of our kids. If you feel called to serve or are just curious about what's involved, contact Carmen Ferrarello ([decarmeister@gmail.com](mailto:decarmeister@gmail.com)).

## Connections REFLECT & CONNECT

Immediately following the Contemporary worship



We invite you to **CONNECTIONS** on Sundays to share and reflect together in the lounge after the 10:30 am contemporary worship service. We need volunteers to join the Connections team! If you sense a call to welcome, engage, and invite others with the love of Christ, or have thoughts or input on how to make this time more captivating, valuable, or relatable, please contact Moses Kim. Email: [mosekim305@gmail.com](mailto:mosekim305@gmail.com).



## PASTOR SEARCH PROCESS WEBPAGE

For updates and information about our Pastor Search, visit our [Pastor Search Process webpage](#) on our website. If you have any questions, please contact a Session member.



**SATURDAY PRAYER ON ZOOM.** This is a time for us to pray for wisdom, discernment, and faithfulness, for wise decisions and continued blessing and growth. And so, I invite you to come together for 15-20 minutes of prayer each Saturday morning at 8 am. [Zoom information here](#) or scan the QR code.





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# We're Glad You Are Here!

## NEXT STEPS

If you're new, visiting, or need to update your information, we'd love to connect with you! Please share your contact details so we can provide more information about our church and help you get connected.

**Put this page in the offering plate.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **Yes, send me the First Pres Ambler weekly ENews.**

☐ I want to join the Sunday Worship team (usher, greeter, media) \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I want to help with Sunday School \_\_\_\_\_

☐ \_\_\_\_\_

Your preferred way for us to contact you about the above is:

Text me at: \_\_\_\_\_

Call me at: \_\_\_\_\_

Email me: \_\_\_\_\_



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