November 30, 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 – 5th 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 November 30 or 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 3rd 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.

MEMBER PRAYER CONCERNS

Helen Riley Adam Baker John and Sara Ingram **Becky Brams** Peggy Kay Alice Rogerson Gladys Bunio Deb Koziol Al Tweedie, Jr. Tracy Diehl Cheryl Kurpiel Dianne Wiggins Carol Douglas Diana Mackie Leslie Wise Falcone family Dick McNeal Usha Varughese Claudette Fleischmann Peg Powell-Morris **Denise Walters** Barb Frankl George Mullin Rob Weir Suzanne Whitley Gwen Neveil John Gill, Jr.

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

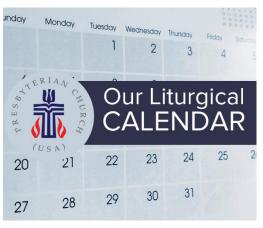
Joe and children Sebastian and Gabriella
whose wife/mother Veronica has died, friends of Sara Ingram
Dave Thompson, stepbrother of Adam Baker
Andy Callegari, brother-in-law of Linda Callegari
Kelley and Dani Stratton and families, cousins of Jean Miksch
Evan Knaff, friend of Matt and Janessa Davis
Lindsay Anderson asks us to pray for Erik and his family
Co-worker friend of Katie Marlowe
Connie Thompson, friend of Linda Callegari
Jonathon, friend of Todd Smith



THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS

are given by the deacons to the glory of God.

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



OUR LITURGICAL CALENDAR. Today's lighting of the **Hope Candle** begins Advent, the first season of the church 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: <u>Complete the dedication form</u> (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 <u>fpcambler.org.</u>
- Check: Payable to *First Presbyterian Church of Ambler*, with "Christmas Flowers" in the memo line, and return to the church office.



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.



THANKSGIVING OFFERINGS given in the Thanksgiving envelopes will be donated to the Mattie N. Dixon Community Cupboard.
Thanksgiving offering envelopes can be found in your envelope offering box and at the Welcome Desk. Checks can be made out to First Presbyterian Church of Ambler with "Thanksgiving Offering" in the memo line. Donations can also be made by following the GIVE link on our website at

fpcambler.org. Thank you for your generosity.



SPARK THE SEASON. Join us for AN AFTERNOON OF ADVENT CONNECTION, wreath making, caroling, decorating, ornament making, sweet treats, and something for all ages. Sunday, November 30 from 2:00-4:00 pm.



SOUP KITCHEN – December 5 and 6. We are part of a coalition of churches and organizations working with St. Marks Church to provide meals every Saturday to people in the Frankford area. You can be part of this effort by helping to prepare the meal on Friday night at our church and/or serving on Saturday.

Contact Mark and Barb Yantek at myantek@verizon.net or call (215) 272-8094.



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 | 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.



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.



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 \ 267-644-5688)



SUNDAY SCHOOL. You are invited to be a part of something truly meaningful this Fall season. children's ministry urgently Our 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 involved, about what's contact Carmen Ferrarello (decarmeister@gmail.com).



YOU ARE INVITED to an Ambler Community Youth Event. 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.



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.



PASTOR SEARCH PROCESS WEBPAGE

For updates and information about our Pastor Search, visit our <u>Pastor Search Process webpage</u> 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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Judy Seidel

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Holly Stevens.





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.

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