WELCOME FRIENDS



First Presbyterian Church of Ambler September 14, 2025 9:00 am Traditional Worship

Children are always welcome in worship.

Activity packets and sensory toys are available in the Narthex.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

Atkinson / Hustad

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader:

Who is wise and understanding among us?

People:

Those who seek wisdom and understanding each and every day.

Those who delight in God and meditate on God's law.

Leader:

Come, learn more about the wisdom from above, a wisdom that yields a harvest of righteousness.

People:

O God, your wisdom is more precious than jewels! We draw near to you.

*HYMN #32 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(in unison)
Oh, most holy God,
we confess today how difficult it is
to tame our tongues.

We lay before you...
words that we wish we could unspeak,
silence kept when it would have been better to speak,
our double speak and inconsistency,
all the talk behind backs,
all the chatter that tears down,

every confidence broken,
every wound that words have inflicted.
We pray that you would bridle our tongues...
help us to think before we speak,
guide us to use our words to build up rather than to tear down,
help our tongues to lead us to maturity in faithfulness.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*OUR RESPONSE, Gloria Patri #581
Glory be to the Father
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHORAL ANTHEM

Give Me A Song

Pepper Choplin

Sanctuary Choir

Give me a song and let me sing and I'll not ask for anything; no wealth or fame, no worldly praise, but let me raise my voice to You.

And if the world should stop to hear, Lord, let Your melody come sound strong and clear, that through my song, that through my voice, they will rejoice in the music of You.

Hymns to Sing of Your mighty pow'r, Psalms to sing of Your grace. Come and give the songs to sing with your Spirit as You fill the weary soul.

So if I have one life to live, how shall I choose my life to give? I'll lift my voice to fill my days with grateful praise. O give me a song to praise, O my Lord, my God.

SCRIPTURE:

Proverbs 13:3-5; 17:27-28 James 3:5-10NRSVue

MESSAGE: The Tongue: The Pyromaniac of the Body

Pastor Don Kazen

HYMN#286 Breathe on Me, Breath of God

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

ORDINATION

George Faulkner Hal Stansfield

OFFERING

OFFERTORY Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

Emma Lou Diemer

*RESPONSE #606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN #686 God of Our Life

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Dan Miller

*Indicates to please stand if you are able.

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SERMON HOMEWORK

For the next 48 hours, just the next two days, determine within yourself that you will speak only positive and hopeful things about your job, your children, your spouse, your health, your future, your church. Speak positively about anything and everything that affects your life.