



**WELCOME to
First Presbyterian Church of Ambler**

Drive-in Worship – tune to 91.9 FM
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PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

We worship the God of eternity, the God of the saints, who is:

**stronger than the elements,
brighter than the shadows,**

stronger than our fears,

and stronger than the dark powers that assail us.

Let us worship God together.

HYMN

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Come thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love!

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel lit, prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God,
we confess to you that we often believe
that we can make it on our own.
We think that we can make it through every situation
without your help, or the aid of the people around us.
We do not acknowledge your leading or use your gifts.
Forgive us, Lord, for believing that we are self-sufficient
without you.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

HYMN

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

Come sing, O Church, in Joy! Come join, O church, in song!
For Christ the Lord has led us through the ages long!
In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now
and praise the Lord!

Long years have come and gone, and still God reigns supreme,
empowering us to catch the vision, dream the dream!
in bold accord, come celebrate the journey now
and praise the Lord!

Let courage be our friend; let wisdom be our guide,
as we in mission magnify the Crucified!
In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now
and praise the Lord!

Come sing, O Church, in Joy! Come join, O church, in song!
For Christ the Lord has triumphed o'er the ages long!
In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now
and praise the Lord!

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SCRIPTURE – Exodus 18:13-27; Hebrews 12:1-2

MESSAGE

“Learning From Each Other”
The Reverend Ryan Balsan

PROFESSION OF FAITH

from *The Second Helvetic Confession, (Switzerland, 1561)*

We acknowledge [saints] to be living members of Christ and friends of God who have gloriously overcome the flesh and the world. Hence, we love them as brothers, and also honor them; yet not with any kind of worship but by an honorable opinion of them and just praises of them.

We also imitate them. For with ardent longings and supplications we earnestly desire to be imitators of their faith and virtues, to share eternal salvation with them, to dwell eternally with them in the presence of God, and to rejoice with them in Christ.

And in this respect we approve of the opinion of St. Augustine: “Let not our religion be the cult of men who have died. For if they have lived holy lives, they are not to be thought of as seeking such honors; on the contrary, they want us to worship him by whose illumination they rejoice that we are fellow-servants of his merits. They are therefore to be honored by way of imitation, but not to be adored in a religious manner.”

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS FROM FPC AMBLER

(see attached list)

HYMN

Let Us Break Bread Together

Let us break bread together on our knees; (on our knees)
Let us break bread together on our knees; (on our knees)
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me (on me)

Let us drink wine together on our knees; (on our knees)
Let us drink wine together on our knees; (on our knees)
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me (on me)
Let us praise God together on our knees; (on our knees)

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THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER AND PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

(If you have a prayer request, text it to Ryan at 908.399.8865)

HYMN

For All the Saints

**For all the saints who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might;
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE



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**A place where lives are changed by Christ
and we live out our faith together.**