



# ALLENDALE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

MARCH 13, 2022

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## WELCOME

We are honored that you chose to worship with us today! To learn more about the life of the church, if you have a special need, or you wish to visit with the pastor, please contact Beth in the office at 727.527.6694, [office@allendaleumc.org](mailto:office@allendaleumc.org).

**Office Hours: Mon - Thu, 9 AM to 3 PM**

**Gender Pronouns:** Asking and correctly using someone's correct pronoun is one of the most basic ways to show your respect for their gender identity. When someone is referred to with the wrong pronoun, it can do harm.

**Childcare/Nursery:** Located in the courtyard, the first room to the right as you exit outside the sanctuary. Children are welcomed and encouraged to stay in worship, even if they are noisy! The nursery is available beginning at 10 AM for children younger than kindergarten.

**Children's activity sheets** and fidget bags are available in the narthex.

**Changing table** is available in the Nursery.

**Unisex/family restrooms** are accessible from the narthex, to the left as you exit the sanctuary.

**The balcony** is open for those wishing to have more social distancing.

**Holy Communion** is typically celebrated on the first Sunday of the month.

**Masks** are required while on campus at Allendale to protect the most vulnerable.

**Zoom** links for Allendale's virtual events can be found at [www.allendaleumc.org/online](http://www.allendaleumc.org/online)

# UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sun Mar 13 Tru' Time Orchestra: Madam Music (Sanctuary) 5 PM
- Mar 14-18 Youth Spring Break Trip to Montgomery Lynching Memorial
- Mon Mar 28 FAST Nehemiah Action (Pasadena Community Church) 7 PM
- Sun Apr 10 New Member Sunday (Sanctuary) 10:30 AM  
*Sign-up at [allendaleumc.org/join](http://allendaleumc.org/join)*
- Sat Apr 16 Easter Egg Hunt 10 AM  
*RSVP at [allendaleumc.org/easteregg](http://allendaleumc.org/easteregg)*
- Sun Apr 17 Easter Sunrise Service (Crescent Lake Park) 7 AM
- May 20-22 United Women in Faith (UMW) National Assembly (Orlando)  
*Register at [www.assembly2022.org](http://www.assembly2022.org)*

## WORSHIP NOTES

### LITURGY WRITTEN BY:

**Kate Pravera** (she/her/hers) is a vegetarian activist grandma who loves being part of the Allendale community. She holds graduate degrees in theology and social ethics and has finally paid off her student loans. As Theologian-in-Residence here at AUMC, Kate serves as a facilitator for critical reflection and strategic action to dismantle white supremacy and the many systemic injustices we face today. She is currently preparing for a trip to Ireland to visit her ancestral villages.

**Courtney Ross** (she/her) moved from Minneapolis Minnesota to St. Pete in September 2019, and has found her forever home. You'll find her enjoying the sunshine, the burgeoning art community, and watching the sunset on the beach. She loves poetry, ice cream, and her cat Wilbur.

### TODAY'S WORSHIP BAND:

Dylan Dames-vocals/guitar  
Tru Mizzell-keys/piano  
Brandon Wise-drums  
*Contact [tru@allendaleumc.org](mailto:tru@allendaleumc.org) to join.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HOLY WEEK WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- Thu Apr 14 Maundy Thursday 12 PM  
Fri Apr 15 Good Friday 12 PM  
Sat Apr 16 Easter Egg Hunt 10 AM  
Sun Apr 17 Sunrise (Crescent Lake) 7 AM  
Sun Apr 17 Easter w/Choir 10:30 AM

**FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS:** Bring non-perishable items to the kitchen for distribution to area food pantries. This is sponsored by the United Women in Faith (UMW). Contact: Diane at [dianegibson@hotmail.com](mailto:dianegibson@hotmail.com).

### GUEST SPEAKER FROM CORNERSTONE:

Cornerstone Family Ministries works to build up disadvantaged children. Jeanette Hordge-Smith will be here on Mon Mar 14 at 6:30 PM in the St. Teresa Room and will be speaking about the Wonder Walk for Cornerstone that will take place on Apr 2. Sponsored by the United Women in Faith (UMW). RSVP to Diane [dianegibson@hotmail.com](mailto:dianegibson@hotmail.com)

# STEWARDSHIP

## PRAYERS

**Ruth Spangler:** recovering from a fall  
**David Franks:** surgery recovery/healing  
**Donna Baxla:** lung cancer treatments  
**Anthony Lenzo:** Aunt Judy (IN) recovery  
**Students:** Mar 14-18 discovery trip to Montgomery, AL

## BIRTHDAYS

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|--------------------|--------|
| Judy Collins       | Mar 15 |
| Christie Fisher    | Mar 15 |
| Nick Carey         | Mar 16 |
| Rita DeVore        | Mar 18 |
| Donna Spear        | Mar 18 |
| AJ Leal            | Mar 21 |
| Emily Sands        | Mar 24 |
| Suzu Hutto         | Mar 26 |
| Howard Johnston    | Mar 26 |
| Ann Wynne-Phillips | Mar 26 |
| Sandi Holtzclaw    | Mar 27 |
| Hillary Nix        | Mar 30 |

*Birthdays missing? Please contact the office.*

## PRESENCE

Previous Sunday: 67 in-person

Total Livestream: 198

*Livestream:* [www.allendaleumc.org/online](http://www.allendaleumc.org/online)

## WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?:

The next opportunity:

**Sun Apr 10 at 10:30 AM**

Sign-up at: [www.allendaleumc.org/join](http://www.allendaleumc.org/join)

## GIFTS

Give online: [www.allendaleumc.org/give](http://www.allendaleumc.org/give)

Text-to-give: Text amount to 727-312-0808

Amazon Smile: Allendale United Methodist

## SETTING UP AUTOMATIC ONLINE GIVING:

Signing up is easy. Our goal for 2022 is to have every pledged giver signed up. Thank you so much for your investment in our collective work of liberation. Contact Beth to set up online giving or go to [www.allendaleumc.org/give](http://www.allendaleumc.org/give).

## WITNESS



### SLEEPER, AWAKE

*40 days of companionship for the deconstruction process*

**By Suzanne DeWitt Hall**

We at Allendale have chosen the Lenten season this year to deconstruct our faith. We are using as a foundation for this practice the devotional written by Suzanne DeWitt Hall called "Sleeper, Awake 40 days of companionship for the deconstruction process" The Path of Unlearning: Book One. These first two Sundays of Lent we will be focusing on the first section of the devotional devoted to Deconstruction Basics.

DECONSTRUCTION can mean many things. The Miriam Webster dictionary definition that DeWitt Hall references is:

"The analytic examination of something (such as a theory) often in order to reveal its inadequacy."

DeWitt Hall additionally writes that "Christian deconstruction is a process of questioning what was previously unquestioned and grappling with the implications of what's revealed as elements are stripped away."

In academia, deconstruction is a specific term referring to a way of analyzing texts, looking at relationships between words, and the inherent instability of their meanings.

Deconstruction broadly means breaking down, taking apart, examining, questioning, deciding which parts are broken or no longer serve us, and then keeping what's valuable and true. It can be painful and hard, but also rewarding and transformational, often leaving oneself with a joyful sense of renewed purpose.

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Let us know you are here by going to [www.allendaleumc.org/here](http://www.allendaleumc.org/here)*

PRELUDE ..... Allendale Band  
*Our God* |Tomlin|

WELCOME ..... Rev. Andy Oliver  
*Allendale United Methodist Church is a Reconciling Congregation. We affirm the sacred worth of all people and strive to practice Christ's example of unconditional love without exclusion. All are welcome to participate fully in the life and ministries of this congregation. Whatever your race, ethnicity, economic situation, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, background or belief, age or condition of ableness, whether single or partnered, you are God's beloved and are welcome here. God calls us to acts of love, grace, and advocacy to promote healing and reconciliation. We are building a new Allendale: a place without barriers, a sanctuary for all.*

SONG ..... Allendale Band  
*Be Thou My Vision*|Byrne, Hull, SLANE|

CALL TO WORSHIP ..... Dr. Kate Pravera

SONG ..... Allendale Band  
*Come and Tear Down the Walls* |Walstrohm|

READING - LITURGY DEVOTIONAL "SLEEP OR AWAKE" ..... Dr. Kate Pravera

OFFERING ..... Congregation  
*give online at [www.allendaleumc.org/give](http://www.allendaleumc.org/give)*

OFFERTORY ..... Allendale Band  
*Masterpiece* |Sullivan|

PASTORAL PRAYER ..... Dr. Kate Pravera

SONG ..... Allendale Band  
*Hallelujah* |Cohen & Serban|

WORDS OF INSPIRATION ..... Dr. Kate Pravera  
|Dag Hammarskjold|

SCRIPTURE ..... Dr. Kate Pravera  
*1 John 4:7-8*

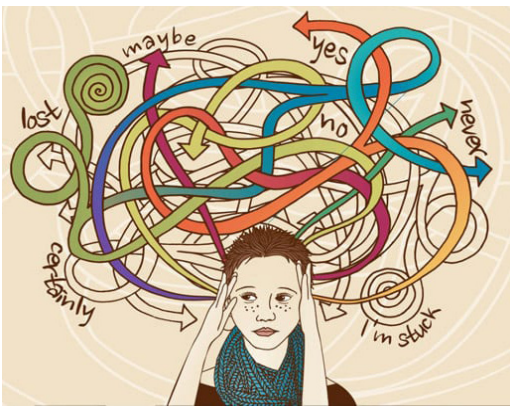
SERMON ..... Courtney Ross

SONG ..... Allendale Band  
*Simple Gospel* |United Pursuit|

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY ..... Theresa Frost

BENEDICTION ..... Dr. Kate Pravera

POSTLUDE ..... Allendale Band  
*Our God* |Tomlin|



### 1 JOHN 4:7-8

*The practice of call and response has its origins in many cultures and many forms of music: African, Peruvian, Columbian, Cuban, and others. Here in this country, call and response has played an important role in the Black community, especially through music. Today, let us remember we are participating in an age-old tradition. Today as we consider the theme, "Let God Be Bigger", let us recognize that we are participating in a tradition that is much bigger than ourselves. Let this sacred practice connect us.*

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Maria Davidson | Nursery Coordinator

Bill Lee | Organist

Kaitlyn Grainger, Madison Redington, &

Adrienne Mitenius | Nursery Attendants

All in the Congregation | Ministers of the Gospel

Dr. Kate Pravera | Theologian in Residence

Rev. David Franks | Clergy in Residence

## THIS WEEK

For a listing of virtual meetings, go to:  
[www.allendaleumc.org/online](http://www.allendaleumc.org/online).

### Sun, Mar 13

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

5 PM AA-Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman)

5 PM Tru' Time Orch.: Madam Music (Sanct)

5:30 PM Youth (Wesley, Kitchen & Youth Room)

### Mon, Mar 14

6:30 PM District 68 (Wesley)

6:30 PM United Women in Faith (St. Teresa)

7 PM St. Pete Band (Community Center)

7:30 PM AA Common Solutions (Bill W.)

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin & Tubman)

### Tue, Mar 15

10 AM Women's Sharing & Praying (Zoom)

7 PM Depression & BiPolar Support (Wesley)

### Wed, Mar 16

6 PM Scripture Class (Zoom)

7 PM Women's Bible Study (Zoom)

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin)

### Thu, Mar 17 (St. Patrick's Day)

1 PM Recorder Group (Community Center)

7 PM AA Home Group (Bill W.)

8 PM AA Go After Your Sobriety (Rustin)

### Fri, Mar 18

7:30 PM AA Common Solutions (Bill W.)

8 PM AA Go After Your Sobriety (Rustin)

### Sat, Mar 19

9:30 AM AA Women's Reflection (Bill W.)

12 PM Sew Much Hope (Community Center)

### Sun, Mar 20

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

5 PM AA Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman)

(No Youth this Sunday)