



ALLENDALE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

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WELCOME

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

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.

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 leave the sanctuary building. 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sat Oct 1 Celebration of Life for Michael Fitzgerald (Sanctuary) 11 AM
- Sat Oct 1 Drive-Thru Pet Blessing (Near the Chapel) 12 PM (a St. Teresa event)
- Sun Oct 2 Special Guest Preacher Ms. Penny Cost (Sanctuary) 10:30 AM
- Sun Oct 9 New Member Sunday (Sanctuary) 10:30 AM
Sign-up at allendaleumc.org/join
- Fri Oct 21 Gay Men's Chorus of Tampa Bay Songs of Unity Concert (Sanctuary) 8 PM

Get more information about our upcoming events by visiting: www.allendaleumc.org/events

WORSHIP NOTES

TODAY'S LITURGIST:

EMMA NACLERIO (she/her/hers), is an engineer and University of Florida grad (go Gators!) She was born and raised in the Tampa Bay Area, and lives in Tampa with her wife, partner, and two dogs. Emma joined Allendale in 2022, and finds the welcoming, inclusive, and reconciling community to be well worth the drive!

TODAY'S WORSHIP BAND:

drums - Brandon Wise
guitar/vocals - Gunnar Foster
guitar/vocals - Dylan Dames
piano - Tru Mizzell
vocals - Michelle Taylor

*Contact tru@allendaleumc.org
to join our band or choir*

WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?

The next opportunity:

Sun Oct 9 at 10:30 AM

Sign-up at: www.allendaleumc.org/join

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE PERFORMANCE TROUPE:

We will create partially improvised scenes based on our scripture texts and perform at an upcoming worship service. Rehearsals start on Sun Oct 2 at 9 AM before church. All ages and experience welcome.

*For more information contact Anthony Lenzo
anthony@addfilmmakers.com.*

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ALLENDALE CHILDREN'S CENTER:

Jeni Lyn Smagacz is preparing to move her family across the country for a job opportunity in California. We are grateful for her 12 years of dedicated service as Director of our Children's Center. We pray for safety and as she makes this move and for exuberance in her new role.

On Monday at a called Church Council meeting, the church body and representatives from the Preschool Board reached a consensus to close the Children's Center. We are unable to operate the center without a licensed director and class sizes had not recovered from the pandemic.

Jeni has worked with directors of other facilities to help get the families of our Children's Center placed in other preschools in the community.

The Church Council will hold another special meeting on Thu Sep 29 at 7 PM to discuss options for how to use the Children's Center space in it's next season of ministry.

If you would like to give a gift to Jeni to thank her for her time at Allendale, reach out to Beth Jones, Church Administrator: 727-283-4320.



ALLENDALE CHILDREN'S
CENTER
Where children are the center

STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS

Debbie Duty: cousin's open heart surgery
Tom Simpson: recovering from fractured femur
Donna Baxla: lung cancer treatments
Dan Leeper: cancer treatments
Vicki Dunn: knee replacement recovery
Bobbie Windle: cancer treatments
Aileen Carey: Grandma in hospital & rehab

BIRTHDAYS: *(Today through Oct 5)*

Kaitlyn Grainger	Sep 25
Edith Wagner	Sep 25
Lewis Wilgus	Sep 28
Renee Burk	Sep 29
Lenny Thibodeaux	Sep 29
James Kelchner	Oct 2
Debbie Duty	Oct 3
Trista Miller	Oct 3
Micheala Browning	Oct 4

Birthdays missing? Please contact the office

CARE AND SUPPORT:

Rev. David Franks, Minister of Pastoral Support
Office hours Tue 11-2 | Thu 4-7
make an appointment by calling the church
office at 727-527-6694

LICENSED THERAPISTS AND COUNSELORS:

available at Allendale's Counseling Center
Visit www.allendaleumc.org/therapy

PRESENCE

Previous Sunday: 63 in-person, 149 online
Livestream: www.allendaleumc.org/online

GIFTS

Give online: www.allendaleumc.org/give
Text-to-give: Text amount to 727-312-0808
Amazon Smile: Allendale United Methodist

SETTING UP AUTOMATIC ONLINE GIVING:

Contact Beth to set up online giving. Thank you so much for your investment in our collective work of liberation.



Give Online now by scanning this code with your phone's camera

WITNESS

SOME FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:



Ms. Penny Cost will be preaching at Allendale on October 2 for World Communion Sunday. These are some of the common questions that come up when she visits churches...

How could Drag Possibly be Impactful in the Church?

For so long, churches have proclaimed a "welcoming" statement towards LGBTQIA+ individuals. For so long, this statement stood unsupported by action and doctrine. Churches claim that LGBTQIA+ individuals may join their congregations, sit in the pews, and tithe to the church, however there would be a limit put in place in regards to their presence and their service. The church has minimized and traumatized the experience of LGBTQIA+ people.

Drag upends this. It is a hyperbole of identity. Drag is an over the top art form brimming with enthusiasm and teeming with energy. But it is also over the top in its acceptance and celebration of all people, of all bodies, of all genders, and of all sexualities. It is a hyperbole of Love, a hyperbole of Grace, and a hyperbole of all that it is we as Christians are called to be.

How is Drag a Spiritual Discipline?

With any spiritual discipline, a rhythm must be established to allow the mind and heart to wander in wonder of the Divine. Much like walking a long prayerful labyrinth, in the 2-3 hours it takes to paint my face, I find my mind lulled into deeper level of thinking, allowing myself to meditate upon scripture and poetry.

The slow, methodical, and personal act of getting into Drag, creates a unique environment comprised of a mixture of mindfulness, prayerfulness, and a willingness to be moved by the Spirit.

Visit www.mspennycost.com/faq for more Q&A.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Let us know you are here by going to www.allendaleumc.org/here

PRELUDE Allendale Band
Count On Me | Mars |

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SONG Allendale Band
All Are Welcome | Haugen |

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER Emma Naclerio

SONG Allendale Band
Holy, Holy, Holy, Love Now Ascending | Burkio |

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. David Franks

OFFERING Congregation
Let Us Be Known By Our Love | Massey |
give online at www.allendaleumc.org/give

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Emma Naclerio

SONG Allendale Band
The Wedding Song | Stookey |

SCRIPTURE Emma Naclerio
Psalms 146

SERMON Rev. Andy Oliver

WEDDING CEREMONY & VOW RENEWAL Michelle Taylor & Jason Edsall

SONG Allendale Band
Stand By You | Platten |

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY Theresa Frost

BENEDICTION Emma Naclerio

POSTLUDE Allendale Band
Count On Me | Mars |



PSALM 146

The aspirations of our kin, chosen or given, predispose us to similar aims. Today's text promotes a community that celebrates temperance and moderation as opposed to clamoring for luxury and riches which can only impede our salvation. Instead, we may find liberating grace in immaterial treasures like our radical community as extensions of our Source of Life.

*Image from Unsplash
Liturgy from Enfleshed*

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Bill Lee | Organist

Maria Davidson | Nursery Coordinator

Madison Redington, Hannah Newton,

Courtney Ross | Nursery Attendants

Dr. Kate Pravera | Theologian in Residence

All in the Congregation | Ministers of the Gospel

THIS WEEK

*For a listing of virtual meetings, go to:
www.allendaleumc.org/online.*

Sun Sep 25

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

5 PM AA Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman)

5:30 PM Youth Group (Wesley, Kitchen, Youth)

Mon Sep 26

6:00 PM St. Pete Community Band (CC)

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

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin & Tubman)

Tue Sep 27

10 AM Women's Sharing & Praying (Zoom)

Wed Sep 28

6 PM Scripture Class (Zoom)

6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

7 PM Women's Bible Study Class (Zoom)

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin)

Thu Sep 29

9 AM Chit Chat (Zoom)

7 PM AA Home Group (Bill W.)

Fri Sep 30

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

8 PM AA Go After Your Sobriety (Rustin)

Sat Oct 1

9:15 AM Women in Faith Missionary-Study (CC)

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

Sun Oct 2

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

5 PM AA Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman)

5:30 PM Youth Group (Wesley, Kitchen, Youth)

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