



ALLENDALE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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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 29 Trunk or Treat (West Parking Lot) 10 AM
- Sun Nov 6 Roll to the Polls Event at Williams Park 3 PM
- Sun Nov 13 Acolyte Training (Sanctuary) 9 AM
- Sun Nov 13 New Member Sunday (Sanctuary) 10:30 AM
Sign-up at allendaleumc.org/join
- Sat Nov 19 Christmas Tree Lot Setup Day (West Parking Lot) 10 AM
- Fri Nov 25 Christmas Tree Lot Opens (West Parking Lot) 9 AM - 9 PM
- Fri Dec 9 Gay Men's Chorus of Tampa Bay Peace and Joy Concert (Sanctuary) 8 PM

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

WORSHIP NOTES

TODAY'S LITURGIST:

HANNAH NEWTON (she/her/hers) is from Hawesville, Kentucky, and moved to St. Pete in January 2020. She works as a barista and photographer. In her free time, Hannah is a creative who enjoys painting, writing, and exploring nature.

NEW BABY!:

The rosebud on the altar honors Emmett Benjamin born October 19, 2022, to Mallory and Kenya, and big brother Elijah. He weighed in at 6 lbs, 2 oz. Allendale's congratulations and blessings go out to the entire family on this happy occasion!

TODAY'S WORSHIP BAND:

piano - Tru Mizzell
guitar/vocals - Gunnar Foster
vocals - Michelle Taylor

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

WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?

The next opportunity:

Sun Nov 13 at 10:30 AM

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

COFFEE & DONUTS:

Join us for coffee and donuts and some community gathering time in the Narthex before worship on Sunday Mornings starting at 9:45 AM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRUNK OR TREAT:

Join us for Trunk or Treat Sat, Oct 29 from 10 AM- 12 PM in the West Parking Lot. Last year over 100 people came through and trick-or-treated with us. This year we hope to have even more! If you would like to sign up your vehicle to be one of our trunks, visit www.allendaleumc.org/treat Allendale will also be accepting donations of candy and allergy friendly gifts.

FAITH & ACTION FOR STRENGTH TOGETHER:

FAST is holding its main fall gathering, the Annual Assembly on Monday, Oct. 24 at 7 PM at First Baptist of St. Petersburg (1900 Gandy Blvd. N.). Pinellas FAST congregations will vote on issues for the next year, such as affordable housing and criminal justice. All are welcome. *Contact Amy Mormino at morminoamy@gmail.com if you plan to attend and would like to carpool to the free event.*

CHRISTMAS TREE LOT:

We are looking for volunteers to help with our Christmas Tree lot which is opening on Fri, Nov 25. The tree lot is a fund raiser that supports our youth ministry. *Visit www.allendaleumc.org/tree or the kiosk in the narthex to learn more and to sign up.*

ALLENDALE GARDEN:

This month, the gardens at Allendale produced 30 lbs of food, most of it being donated to folks who can't afford fresh food.

STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS

Debbie Duty: cousin's open heart surgery
Tom Simpson: recovering from fractured femur
Donna Baxla: lung cancer treatments
Dan Leeper: cancer treatments
Bobbie Windle: cancer treatments
Ruth Spangler: recovering from a minor stroke

BIRTHDAYS: *(Today through November 20)*

Wendy Kolar	Oct 23
LaDonna Hill	Nov 1
Christine Durrance	Nov 5
Pat Kofflin	Nov 6
Kenn Wiberg Coleman	Nov 8
Vickie Dunn	Nov 10
Ann Preus	Nov 19
Jack Hutto Jr	Nov 20
Reba Younce	Nov 20

Birthday 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: 73 in-person, 338 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

WHAT DID JOHN WESLEY MEAN BY 'MOVING ON TO PERFECTION?'

United Methodists talk about three kinds
of grace that we experience in our life with
God: prevenient grace, justifying grace and
sanctifying grace.

Sanctifying grace is the ongoing work of
the Holy Spirit that changes us so that
our lives are increasingly conformed to
the mind of Christ. John Wesley called this
lifelong process sanctification or becoming
"perfected in love."

Sanctifying grace draws us toward Christian
perfection, which Wesley described as a
heart "habitually filled with the love of God
and neighbor" and as "having the mind of
Christ and walking as they walked."

Retired United Methodist Bishop William H.
Willimon explains, "In the Bible, the word
sanctification means to set something apart
and make it holy, to commandeer something
or someone for special use by God. This
Wesleyan emphasis on sanctifying grace is
perhaps our most distinctive contribution to
the picture of Christian life.

"Wesley took seriously Jesus's invitation
to 'be ye therefore perfect as your Father
which is in heaven is perfect' (Matt 5:48).
By 'perfection,' Wesley did not mean moral
flawlessness or sinlessness. He meant
perfection in the sense of maturity."

Wesley believed we could become perfect
in love in this life. If Jesus invites us to
seek perfection, perfect love is possible.
They didn't mean we would be free from
mistakes, temptation or failure.

For Wesley, growing as a Christian is all
about being filled with love, which happens
by the grace of God.

We may not be there yet; but by God's grace,
as United Methodists say, "we're going on to
perfection!"

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE Allendale Band
Great is Thy Faithfulness (You Never Let Go)
|Ingram, Weaver, Chisholm, Runyan|

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SONG Allendale Band
God's Love is Wide |Ratering-Youngberg|

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER Hannah Newton

SONG Allendale Band
I Am Set Free |Jordan|

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. David Franks

TIME WITH CHILDREN Theresa Frost

OFFERING Congregation
O To Be Like Thee |Chisholm|
give online at www.allendaleumc.org/give

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Hannah Newton

SONG Allendale Band
I Have Fought the Good Fight |Monsell|

SCRIPTURE Hannah Newton
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

SERMON Theresa Frost

SONG Allendale Band
Not Just For Me |Walhstrom|

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY Theresa Frost

BENEDICTION Hannah Newton

POSTLUDE Allendale Band
Great is Thy Faithfulness (You Never Let Go)
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2 TIMOTHY 4:6-8, 16-18

The writer of this text is clever. They say they have fought the “good fight,” but they do not say if it was well-fought. They say they have “finished the race,” but they did not say that they won. They have “kept the faith,” but no one mentioned that one night they cursed at the ceiling for the deep heartbreak and agony.

No one can resonate with this concept more than the people who finish last. Take Rozanna Radakovich, a 74 year old runner in the New York City Marathon. 2021 was her 35th marathon. When asked what she felt about her “slow” race times, she quipped, “I don’t care– I’m not going to win anything, I’m doing it for me. Of course I’m proud of myself— how many people can say they’ve done 35 marathons?”

How many messages do we get about our inherent worth and value if we fail to “wow” folks? There doesn’t seem to be as much of an emphasis on competing with the intent to “win” in this passage.

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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 Oct 23

9 AM Building Community (Wesley)
10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)
5 PM AA Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman)
5:30 PM Youth Group (Wesley, Kitchen, Youth)

Mon Oct 24

7:00 PM FAST (First Baptist - 1900 Gandy Blvd)
7:30 PM AA Common Solutions (Bill W.)
8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin & Tubman)

Tue Oct 25

10 AM Women’s Sharing & Praying (Zoom)

Wed Oct 26

6 PM Scripture Class (Zoom)
6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin)

Thu Oct 27

9 AM Chit Chat (Zoom)
7 PM AA Home Group (Bill W.)

Fri Oct 28

7:30 PM AA Common Solutions (Bill W.)
8 PM AA Go After Your Sobriety (Rustin)
8 PM Gay Men’s Chorus Concert (Sanctuary)

Sat Oct 29

10 AM Trunk Or Treat (Parking Lot)
9:30 AM AA Women’s Reflection (Bill W.)

Sun Oct 30

9 AM Building Community (Wesley)
10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)
5 PM AA Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman)
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