



# ALLENDALE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

NOVEMBER 6, 2022

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## WELCOME

**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.

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

# UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sun Nov 6 Souls to the Polls Event at Williams Park 12 PM
- Thu Nov 10 Museum of Fine Arts Tour 6:30 PM
- Sat Nov 12 Garden Work Day 9 AM - 12 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](http://allendaleumc.org/join)*
- Sat Nov 19 Christmas Tree Lot Setup Day (West Parking Lot) 10 AM
- Thu Nov 24 Found Family Feast (Community Center) 2 PM
- 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](http://www.allendaleumc.org/events)*

## WORSHIP NOTES

### TODAY'S LITURGIST:

**LYNN FRUIT** (she/her/hers) felt very fortunate to find Allendale UMC when she and her husband, Ed Miller, moved to St Pete from Tampa in 2016. She loves Allendale's commitment to social justice and being a place where everyone belongs. Lynn is retired from a career as a project manager, so she has time to enjoy gardening with native plants, hiking and canoeing.

### TODAY'S WORSHIP BAND:

piano - Tru Mizzell  
guitar/vocals - Dylan Dames  
drums - Brandon Wise

*Contact [tru@allendaleumc.org](mailto: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](http://www.allendaleumc.org/join)*

### COMMUNION PREPARERS:

Lynda Beltz  
LaDonna Hill

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS TOUR:

Allendale member and art historian John Stewart will lead a tour at the Museum of Fine Arts (MFA) on Thu, Nov 10 at 6:30 PM on the theme "Jesus at the MFA". Cost is \$12, payable at admission.

*RSVP at [www.allendaleumc.org/mfa](http://www.allendaleumc.org/mfa).*

*Contact John Stewart at [sjstew@gte.net](mailto:sjstew@gte.net).*

### FOUND FAMILY FEAST:

The Found Family Collective is holding a feast at Allendale UMC on November 24 starting at 2 PM. This meal is for all LGBTQ+ folks who can't or won't go home for the holiday. While this will ultimately be a fun and healing event, some time will be spent discussing heavy topics like the truth about Thanksgiving, Indigenous suffering, and some of the violence the gay, lesbian, intersex, queer, and trans communities are facing. After the discussion, there will be games, a feast, activities, and networking. Visit [www.allendaleumc.org/feast](http://www.allendaleumc.org/feast) to RSVP.

### 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](http://www.allendaleumc.org/tree) to sign up.

# 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 December 4)*

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|---------------------|--------|
| 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 |
| Midge Mitchell      | Nov 22 |
| Mark Morrison       | Nov 27 |
| Jen Clark           | Nov 29 |
| Edwin Hotaling      | Dec 4  |

*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](http://www.allendaleumc.org/therapy)*

## PRESENCE

Previous Sunday: 60 in-person, 288 online  
*Livestream: [www.allendaleumc.org/online](http://www.allendaleumc.org/online)*

## 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:**

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

### **WE ARE BUILDING A NEW ALLENDALE**

Allendale is at a crossroads... the collective  
financial investment pledges made for  
2023 will be consequential in shaping who  
Allendale will be in the future.

Over the last 6 years we have seen in  
increase in congregational giving double  
with pledges for 2022 totaling \$300,000.  
Your investment in our collective work has  
born fruit that has reached far beyond the  
walls of Allendale. We have been building up  
a new world.

We are a congregation filled with new  
faces and stories. Our immediate work  
is to get to know each other, creating a  
community of care. Post pandemic we will  
begin to increase opportunities for in-  
person gatherings, eating, and study. As  
we strengthen our relationships we will  
be better equipped to do the hard work  
of building up a new world of equity and  
justice.

Your pledge enables us to plan a 2023  
budget that will be a faithful response for  
who God is calling Allendale to be. Our  
communal resources are to be a living  
offering. Our shared money, a tool for  
liberation. Our shared skills, expressions  
of dedication and love. We pledge what we  
have that it may be so!

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE ..... Allendale Band  
*Blue Collar Praise* |Squyres, Gill, Strumpel|

WELCOME ..... Rev. David Franks  
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SONG ..... Allendale Band  
*Christ Has Broken Down the Wall* |Miller|

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER ..... Lynn Fruit

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS ..... Allendale Band  
*For All The Saints Who've Shown Your Love* |Bell|

TIME WITH CHILDREN ..... Theresa Frost

OFFERING ..... Congregation  
*Draw The Circle Wide* |Light, Miller|  
*give online at [www.allendaleumc.org/give](http://www.allendaleumc.org/give)*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION ..... Lynn Fruit

SONG ..... Allendale Band  
*Take Me As I Am* |Brimlow|

SCRIPTURE ..... Lynn Fruit  
*2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17*

SERMON ..... Dr. Kate Pravera

COMMUNION ..... Congregation

SONG ..... Allendale Band  
*Come As You Are* |Crowder, Maher, Glover|

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY ..... Theresa Frost

BENEDICTION ..... Lynn Fruit

POSTLUDE ..... Allendale Band  
*Blue Collar Praise* |Squyres, Gill, Strumpel|



## 2 THESSALONIANS 2:1-5, 13-17

God Who is With Us, we long for our beloveds who have died.

You do not ask us to make a lesson of grief.

You do not ask us to be like the fall leaves,  
beautiful in our letting go.

How many have died at the hands of  
destruction? It did not have to be so!

How many have been taken from us  
through illness, accident, and suicide?

We wear sackcloth and ashes to the grocery  
store! We ache, rage, and fold ourselves in.

We find peace, get by, and make meaning.

Hold it all, Holy Spirit.

Hold us, your people, too.

Amen.

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Liturgy from Enfleshed*

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Bill Lee | Organist

Maria Davidson | Nursery Coordinator

Madison Redington, Hannah Newton, Erin Giblin,

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](http://www.allendaleumc.org/online).

### Sun Nov 6

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

### Mon Nov 7

6:30 PM United Women in Faith (Wesley)  
7:30 PM AA Common Solutions (Bill W.)  
8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin & Tubman)

### Tue Nov 8

10 AM Women's Sharing & Praying (Zoom)

### Wed Nov 9

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

### Thu Nov 10

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

### Fri Nov 11

7:30 PM AA Common Solutions (Bill W.)  
8 PM AA Go After Your Sobriety (Rustin)

### Sat Nov 12

9:30 AM AA Women's Reflection (Bill W.)  
12 PM Sew Much Hope (Community Center)

### Sun Nov 13

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

Subscribe to the Allendale Calendar:  
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