



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 Jan 21 Tallahassee rally for LGBTQ+ justice (State Capitol Plaza) 9 AM - 12 PM
Learn more at www.allendaleumc.org/tallahassee
- Jan 27-29 SingFest 2023 - a festival for those who identify as women (Allendale)
Register at www.singfestfl.com/applications
- Sun Feb 12 New Member Sunday (Sanctuary) 10:30 AM
Sign-up at www.allendaleumc.org/join

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

WORSHIP NOTES

TODAY'S LITURGIST:

ED LALLY (he/him/his) was born and reared in Louisville, Ky. He has three sisters, two brothers, and eleven nieces and nephews. Ed moved to Florida in '79 with his partner Phil Dinkins, now husband, and they just celebrated our 45th year together. Banking was Ed's primary profession, but gay rights was a passion, so he switched careers to join Equality Florida from 2009 to 2016. Now he's retired and enjoying life along with their cat, Joey.

TODAY'S WORSHIP BAND:

piano - Tru Mizzell
bass - Matthew Blaine
guitar/vocals - Dylan Dames

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FAST INFORMATIONAL MEETING:

Jacqueline Reyes will be talking about FAST (Faith and Action for Strength Together) on Sun Jan 29 at 9:30 AM in the Wesley room. Allendale is part of FAST, a coalition of dozens of local faith communities working together to build a better Pinellas. This is a chance to learn about some of the local issues including affordable housing and criminal justice that FAST hopes to address. You will also hear about ways to get involved like the March 27 Nehemiah Action and other upcoming events.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. PARADE:

Allendale has been invited to march alongside Florida representative Michele Rayner in the Martin Luther King, Jr. parade Mon Jan 16 on 1st Ave S. The parade starts at 11 AM, but those marching in the parade will need to arrive closer to 9:30 AM. *Check our Facebook page for more information: www.facebook.com/allendaleumc*

RALLY IN TALLAHASSEE FOR LGBTQ+ JUSTICE:

On Sat Jan 21 from 9 AM to 12 PM, there will be a rally to voice concern over legislation and executive actions that have made hundreds of thousands of marginalized people feel threatened, unprotected, and erased by government.

Learn more at www.allendaleumc.org/lgbtq+rally.

SINGFEST:

Allendale will be hosting SingFest, a festival with singing, drumming, dancing, writing, and various workshops. This event, for those who identify as women, will begin Fri, Jan 27 and continue through Sun, Jan 29.

Learn more at: www.singfestfl.com

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT:

Need a night out? We'll take care of your kids (age 10 and under) for free for a few hours on Sat Feb 11 from 5-8 PM so you can have a date night out. We'll have light snacks, arts & crafts, and other activities for your younger children. *You must pre-register at www.allendaleumc.org/nightout.*

STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS

Debbie Duty: cousin's open heart surgery
Donna Baxla: lung cancer treatments
Dan Leeper: cancer treatments
Karen Welling: health issues
Eunice Fisher: health issues
Bobbie Windle: cancer treatments
Jonna Hunt: loss of husband, Keith Glasscock
Ruth Spangler: recovering from a minor stroke

BIRTHDAYS:

Nova Redlow	Jan 17
Edward Miller	Jan 18
Nicole DeVore	Jan 22
Tom Dunn	Jan 22
DeDe Trapp	Jan 22
Jonna Hunt	Jan 23
Bobbie Windle	Jan 27
Dee Miller	Jan 28
Maria Davidson	Jan 29
Kathleen Howard	Jan 29

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: 75 in-person, 137 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 Yadi 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

One of the great liabilities of life is that all too many people find themselves living amid a great period of social change, and yet they fail to develop the new attitudes, the new mental responses that the new situation demands and they end up sleeping through a revolution...

We must honestly admit certain things and get rid of certain myths that have constantly been disseminated all over our nation. One is the myth of time. It is the notion that only time can solve the problem of racial injustice...

Time is neutral. It can be used either constructively or destructively. And I'm sorry to say this morning that I'm absolutely convinced that the forces of ill will in our nation, the extreme rightists of our nation, the people on the wrong side, have used time much more effectively than the forces of goodwill.

And it may well be that we will have to repent in this generation, not merely for the vitriolic words and the violent actions of the bad people, but for the appalling silence and indifference of the good people who sit around and say, wait on time.

Somewhere we must come to see that human progress never rolls in on the wheels of inevitability. It comes through the tireless efforts and the persistent work of dedicated individuals who are willing to be coworkers with God.

And without this hard work, time itself becomes an ally of the primitive forces of social stagnation. So we must have time and realize that the time is always right to do right.

Excerpt from The Last Sunday Sermon of MLK (March 31, 1968)



ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE Allendale Band

One Day | Matisyahu |

WELCOME Rev. David Franks

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SONG Allendale Band

Lift Every Voice and Sing | Johnson |

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER Ed Lally

SONG Allendale Band

Love Like You | unknown |

TESTIMONY Rep. Michele Rayner

TIME WITH CHILDREN Theresa Frost

OFFERING Congregation

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Ed Lally

SONG Allendale Band

Hear My Voice | Celeste |

SCRIPTURE Ed Lally

Isaiah 49:1-7

SERMON Rev. Lee Hall-Perkins

SONG Allendale Band

The Journey Isn't Over | Miller |

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY Theresa Frost

BENEDICTION Ed Lally

POSTLUDE Allendale Band

One Day | Matisyahu |



ISAIAH 49:1-7

Our oppression is not sacred, but our struggle to end oppression is. And when we proclaim that our cause is with God, and our work is with God, as the Servant sings, then the burden of this long struggle begins to feel a bit lighter. Others struggle alongside us, and not only that, but the universe takes up our cause as well as we struggle toward liberation.

Our lives need not be sacrificed for the greater good. Rather, our lives are *lived* for the greater good, and the deaths caused by violent suppression come as a natural consequence of the death dealing systems we struggle against. This is true for Isaiah's Israelite people, this is true for Jesus's crucifixion, and this is true for us.

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Liturgy from Enfleshed*

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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.*

Sun Jan 15

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

5 PM AA Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman)

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

Mon Jan 16

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

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin & Tubman)

Tue Jan 17

6 PM W. Wesley Cooking w/ Friends (Kitchen)

Wed Jan 18

5 PM Wednesday Night Dinner (CC)

6 PM Scripture Class

6 PM Allendale 101 (Community Center)

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin)

Thu Jan 19

9 AM Chit Chat (Zoom)

7 PM AA Home Group (Bill W.)

Fri Jan 20

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

8 PM AA Go After Your Sobriety (Rustin)

Sat Jan 21

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

Sun Jan 22

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:
www.allendaleumc.org/calendar*

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER:

Join us on Wednesday nights in the Community Center for a meal at 5 PM followed by classes at 6 PM.

Dinner is \$10 or whatever you can afford.

Learn more and RSVP at:

www.allendaleumc.org/wednesdays