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 2 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 Yadi 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.

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ALLENDALE

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sun Mar 19 Author Saket Soni "The Great Escape" (Temple Beth-El) 4:30 PM The Leif Nissen Social Justice Lecture Series - *bus leaves at 3:45 PM Sign up at www.allendaleumc.org/temple*
- Mon Mar 27 FAST Nehemiah Action (Indian Rocks Baptist Church) 7 PM
- April 2-9 Family Promise at Allendale *Sign-up at www.allendaleumc.org/promise*
- Apr 6-7 Maundy Thursday 6 PM, Good Friday 12 PM
- Sat Apr 8 Easter Egg Hunt (Allendale) 10 AM

Sun Apr 9Easter Sunrise at Crescent Lake 7 AM, Easter at Allendale 10:30 AMGet more information about our upcoming events by visiting:www.allendaleumc.org/events

WORSHIP NOTES

TODAY'S LITURGIST:

JEFF COX (he/him/his) is a Florida attorney, and the Director of Content for UniCourt Inc., a legal technology company providing real-time access to state and federal court records. Jeff is also a Board Member and Secretary of the Board of Bay Area Legal Services and regularly volunteers to improve access to pro bono legal services to those in need of representation. Jeff and his wife, Stephanie, became members of Allendale in 2019 and love the welcoming, inclusive, and reconciling community they couldn't be happier to be a part of.

TODAY'S WORSHIP BAND:

piano - Tru Mizzell guitar/vocals - Dylan Dames ukulele - Andrew Holland vocals - Hannah Newton

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

WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?

The next opportunity: Sun Apr 9 at 10:30 AM Sign-up at: www.allendaleumc.org/join

FAST NEHEMIAH ACTION:

This year's Nehemiah Action will be held at Indian Rocks Baptist Church on Mon Mar 27 at 7 PM. A charter bus will be available at Allendale if you would like to park here and ride to the Action. The bus will leave from Allendale at 6 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FAMILY PROMISE:

Volunteer as Allendale hosts families without homes the week of Apr 2-9. We will need help with laundry, overnight hosts, cooking meals, and more. Volunteers will take an online training course. *Sign-up at www.allendaleumc.org/promise*

LEADERSHIP ST. PETE BINGO AT BREWERY:

Join LSP at Green Bench Brewing Company for a fundraiser that benefits Allendale Equity & Justice, the project to transform our former preschool space into collaborative coworking and meeting spaces for nonprofit leaders and changemakers. The event includes unlimited bingo and raffle drawings to win prizes from local businesses. Thu Mar 23, 5:30-8 PM. *Learn more at www.allendaleumc.org/LSP*

DIVERSITY EQUITY INCLUSION TRAINING:

There will be a two-day intensive training program for teachers, students and those interested. March 25-26, 10 AM - 6 PM. All participants will receivie a certificate upon completion. More information will be shared in the coming weeks. *Let us know you're interested: www.allendaleumc.org/DEI*

EVEN MORE BINGO!:

Join Celebrate Outreach for Drag Queen Bingo Tue, Mar 14, 6:30 PM at Creative Grape (3100 3rd Ave. N). Bingo Hostess Georgia will be our caller for a game that ain't your grandma's bingo! *For more info, look for flyers in the back of the Sanctuary.*

STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS

Donna Baxla: lung cancer treatments Dan Leeper: cancer treatments Karen Welling: health issues Eunice Fisher: health issues Bobbie Windle: cancer treatments Ruth Spangler: recovering from a minor stroke Nina Dauzet: Jimmy's cancer treatments (friend) Nina Dauzet: Jeannie's health concerns (friend) Nina Dauzet: Ted's health concerns (son)

BIRTHDAYS:

Judy Collins	Mar 15	
Nick Carey	Mar 16	
Rita DeVore	Mar 18	
Donna Spear	Mar 18	
Emily Sands	Mar 24	
Howard Johnston	Mar 26	
Emma Naclerio	Mar 26	
Ann Wynne-Phillips	Mar 26	
Sandi Holtzclaw	Mar 27	
Hillary Nix	Mar 30	
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: 88 in-person, 171 online Livestream: www.allendaleumc.org/online

GIFTS

Give online: www.allendaleumc.org/give Text-to-give: Text amount to 727-312-0808

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

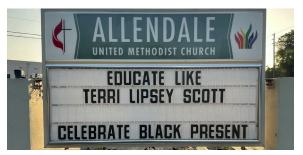
WITNESS

CELEBRATE BLACK PRESENT:

In February we celebrated Black History. Over the next several weeks we celebrate Black Present, people making a difference in the here and now.



Michele Rayner is the first openly queer Black member of the Florida legislature. They are a Civil rights and social justice attorney advocating for underserved communities. During their time as an attorney and public defender, Rayner learned the importance of listening to and advocating for those with limited agency. Rayner felt that running for the legislature could help them do more to fight unjust laws. Rayner was elected to Florida Houre District 70 in 2020 and continues to fight for marginalized communities.



Terri Lipsey Scott is an advocate for equity and fairness, especially when it comes to poverty, housing, and equal opportunities. She has served as Office Administrator to the St. Pete City Council and as the Executive Director of the Carter G. Woodson African American Museum. When she moved to St. Petersburg in 1981, she found a city deeply divided by race. The Gas Plant District had just been razed to make way for the baseball stadium that is now known as Tropicana Field. Tensions were high and she was shocked to see a city so visibly segregated. From her first day, she has made it her mission to break down the barriers that divide St. Petersburg. She's poured her heart into this city, working to transform the community into one that is a great place to live for all residents.

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

seeking: Will you give me a drink?

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Land of the Seeking LaJoye		
CALL TO WORSHIP & AFFIRMATION OF FAITH	Jeff Cox	
SONG	Allendale Band	
Give Us Love Reagan, Washington		
PRAYER OF CONFESSION & WORDS OF FORGIVENESS	Jeff Cox	
OFFERING		
<i>Come Thou Fount</i> Robinson give online at www.allendaleumc.org/give		
POEM	Rose Cervantes	
SONG	Allendale Band	
<i>We All Come Thirsty</i> Strickland		
PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION & SCRIPTURE John 4:5-42	Jeff Cox	
SERMON	Rev. David Franks	
SONG	Allendale Band	
The Water God Gives Us Gillette		
CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY	Rev. David Franks	
BENEDICTION	Jeff Cox	

POSTLUDE Bill Lee



"Living Water" by Rev. Lauren Wright Pittman **JOHN 4:5-42**

I noticed that, in most of the art, Jesus and the Samaritan woman are almost never on the same level... In this image, their body positioning is mirrored, with their eyes on the same plane. Jesus needs water to drink, and the woman needs living water.

Where their arms overlap becomes a vibrant blue, creating a water drop with a dove in it, representing the living water that springs forth from their mutual need and relationship.

In the center is the Samaritan woman's vessel. We are not told whether she fills the jar or gives Jesus water, however, we are told that she leaves the jar behind. Her need is not the water in the well; her need is for grounding in a new identity, and to be seen for who she really is...

A vessel of living water herself.

SEEKING Theme, Liturgy, and Images from The Sanctified Art

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> Bill Lee | Organist Maria Davidson | Nursery Coordinator Madison Redington, Erin Giblin, Courtney Ross | Nursery Attendants Dr. Kate Pravera | Theologian in Residence All in the Congregation | Ministers of the Gospel

THIS WEEK

Subscribe to the Allendale Calendar: www.allendaleumc.org/calendar

Sun Mar 12

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

Mon Mar 13 7:30 PM AA Common Solutions (Bill W.) 8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin & Tubman)

Tue Mar 14 6 PM W. Wesley Cooking w/ Friends (Kitchen)

Wed Mar 15 5 PM Wednesday Night Dinner (CC) 6 PM Scripture Class (Room 109 & Zoom) 6 PM Queer Theology Class (CC) 8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin)

Thu Mar 16 9 AM Chit Chat (Zoom) 7 PM AA Home Group (Bill W.

Fri Mar 17 7:30 PM AA Common Solutions (Bill W.) 8 PM AA Go After Your Sobriety (Rustin)

Sat Mar 18 9:30 AM AA Women's Reflection (Bill W.)

Sun Mar 19 10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary) 5 PM AA Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman) 5:30 PM Youth Group (Wesley, Kitchen, Youth)

DINNER MENU

Dinner starts at 5 PM in the Community Center. \$10 or whatever you can afford.

Wed Mar 15

Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, (vegan option available), Sauteed mushrooms, salad, garlic bread, dessert

Wed Mar 22

Shepherd's Pie (beef, veggies, potato, cheddar cheese), Roasted root blend, Cilantro-lime Jasmin Rice, sliced peaches, salad, dessert