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 Rally For Our Rights (St. Pete City Hall) 2 PM protesting Florida bills designed to harm LGBTQ+ people
- 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 Carpool from Allendale at 6 PM - RSVP at www.allendaleumc.org/fast
- 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 9 Easter Sunrise at Crescent Lake 7 AM, Easter at Allendale 10:30 AM
- Sun Apr 9New 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:

PHILIP DINKINS (he/him/his) and his husband Ed Lally joined Allendale in December, 2020. A native of Columbus, Indiana Phil & Ed moved to Tampa in 1979 and to Saint Petersburg in 2015. Phil's parents were founding members of Asbury United Methodist Church in Columbus, Indiana which was founded in 1955. A graduate of Indiana University, Phil spent his career as a commercial real estate broker handling office building leasing in downtown Tampa. He is retired from Cushman & Wakefield. Phil & Ed spend the summers in Camden, Maine and have a ten year old shelter tabby cat named Joey.

TODAY'S WORSHIP BAND:

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

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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*

FAST NEHEMIAH ACTION:

This year's Nehemiah Action will be held at Indian Rocks Baptist Church on Mon Mar 27 at 7 PM. Meet at Allendale at 6 PM and we will carpool to the event. *Let us know you're attending at www.allendaleumc.org/fast*

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:

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	
Todd Miller	Apr 1	
Tru Mizzell	Apr 1	
Lorin Baxla	Apr 3	
Lashley Marks	Apr 7	
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: 85 in-person, 130 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

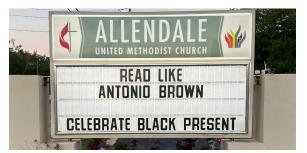
WITNESS

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.



Carla Bristol is the Collaboration Manager for St. Pete Youth Farm. In addition to cultivating vegetables at the farm on 12th St S, Bristol also cultivates the area's young people into community leaders, constantly asking for their input and reminding them the space "is not called the adult farm – it's called the Youth Farm. I'm a representative of you." Bristol is now working with city officials to develop a plan to add chicken coops and other amenities to the Farm.



Antonio Brown is a Barber who grew up in South St. Petersburg. He started the Barbershop Book Club, a program that teaches kids ages 1 to 18 how to read and gives out free books and free haircuts. If a child reads a book out loud to him, the haircut is free, and they get to keep the book. Brown believes reading can help kids deal with problems they may be facing at home or in school. "What we are doing here with the Barbershop Book Club is preparing kids for life." The program is expanding to other barbershops in the area.

Donations of books, school supplies and uniforms can be dropped off at Central Station Barbershop & Grooming, 2325 Central Ave. in St. Petersburg.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

seeking: Who Sinned?

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

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SONG	Spencer LaJoye
Land of the Seeking LaJoye	
CALL TO WORSHIP & AFFIRMATION OF FAITH	Philip Dinkins
SONG	
Let Us Be Known By Our Love Massey	
PRAYER OF CONFESSION & WORDS OF FORGIVENESS	Philip Dinkins
PASTORAL PRAYER	Rev. David Franks
OFFERING	Congregation
<i>O To Be Like Thee</i> Chisholm give online at www.allendaleumc.org/give	
POEM	
SONG	
We Come With Questions Strickland	
PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION & SCRIPTURE	Philip Dinkins
SERMON	Rev. Andy Oliver
SONG	Allendale Band
<i>Meant To Live</i> Switchfoot	
CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY	Theresa Frost
BENEDICTION	Philip Dinkins
POSTLUDE	Allendale Band

Blue Collar Praise |Squyres, Gill, Strumpel|



"Son, Rise" by T. Denise Anderson

JOHN 9: 1-7

[The blind man's] encounter with Jesus raises him to a new life and offers the whole community a new understanding of God's works. It's a new day for everyone.



"Insight" by Lisle Gwynn G JOHN 9: 8-41

What if his neighbors had instead asked the blind man, "How do you feel?" What if the man had asked the crowd, "What are you afraid of?" What if the Pharisees had asked one another, "What if it's time to change?"

SEEKING Theme, Liturgy, and Images from The Sanctified Art

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THIS WEEK

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

Sun Mar 19

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

Mon Mar 20

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

Tue Mar 21

6 PM W. Wesley Cooking w/ Friends (Kitchen) 6 PM Staff Parish Meeting (Zoom) 7 PM Trustees Meeting (Zoom)

Wed Mar 22

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 23

9 AM Chit Chat (Zoom) 5:30 PM Bingo at the Brewery (1133 Baum Ave) 7 PM AA Home Group (Bill W.)

Fri Mar 24

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

Sat Mar 25

9:30 AM AA Women's Reflection (Bill W.) 10 AM DEI Training (Community Center)

Sun Mar 26

10 AM DEI Training (Community Center) 10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary) 5 PM 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 22

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

Wed Mar 29

Chicken Broccoli Stir Fry, Basmati Rice, PACO Vegetable Blend, Salad Dinner Roll, Dessert,