



# ALLENDALE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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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 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 the office at 727.527.6694 or 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

- Apr 15-16 DEI Training (Community Center) 10 AM - 6 PM
- Sun Apr 16 One City Chorus benefiting Woodson Warrior Scholarship (Sanct) 4 PM
- Sun May 14 New Member Sunday (Sanctuary) 10:30 AM  
*Sign-up at [www.allendaleumc.org/join](http://www.allendaleumc.org/join)*
- Sat May 20 Gay Men's Chorus of Tampa Bay Concert (Sanctuary) 8 PM
- Jun 12-16 Vacation Bible School (Allendale) 9 AM - 12 PM
- Sat Jun 24 Allendale Marching in St. Pete Pride - Parade starts at 6 PM

*Get more information about our upcoming events by visiting: [www.allendaleumc.org/events](http://www.allendaleumc.org/events)*

## WORSHIP NOTES

### TODAY'S LITURGIST:

**SHEILA STEWART** (she/her/hers) grew up on Madeira Beach in a retired Air Force family with four siblings. She is an educator, an anthropologist and an archaeologist, recently retired from Pinellas County Schools. Her passions for social justice include bringing the native peoples of Florida back into our historical heritage, particularly those who first made Pinellas and Weedon Island their home. Among her interests are music, movies, taking hikes in nature, and travel. She lives in St. Petersburg with her husband, John Stewart, and housecat Lena Tiggy-winkle.

### TODAY'S WORSHIP MUSIC:

piano - Tru Mizzell  
guitar/vocals - Dylan Dames  
organist - Bill Lee

Thanks to the Allendale Easter Choir for sharing your sweet voices with us today!

*Contact [tru@allendaleumc.org](mailto:tru@allendaleumc.org)  
to join our band or choir*

### COMMUNION PREPARERS:

Donna Baxla  
Jane Mann Brown

### WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?

The next opportunity:

**Sun May 14 at 10:30 AM**

**Sign-up at: [www.allendaleumc.org/join](http://www.allendaleumc.org/join)**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### STUDING OUR WELCOME STATEMENT:

We are beginning a 3 week class on April 12 at 6 PM in the Community Center diving deeper into the Welcome Statement at Allendale. Discussion will center around the creation of the welcome statement, why we say it every week, and significance of each line of the welcome statement. The class will be led by Theresa Frost.

### DIVERSITY EQUITY INCLUSION TRAINING:

There will be a two-day intensive training program for teachers, students and those interested. April 15-16, 10 AM - 6 PM. All participants will receive a certificate upon completion. There will also be a component of this training in Worship on Sun Apr 16.

*Let us know you're interested:*

*<https://tinyurl.com/theprimedirectivesignup>*

### DEATH PENALTY VIGIL:

Join Floridians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty (FADP.org) and other death penalty opponents for a vigil during the execution of Louis Gaskin from 5:00-6:00 PM on Wednesday, April 12 at the northwest corner of Ulmerton Road and 49th Street North in mid-Pinellas County.

### SUMMER EVENTS FOR STUDENTS:

Vacation Bible School - June 12-16

Warren Willis Camp - July 3-8

Youth Summer Bash - July 31-Aug 4

*Email [theresa@allendaleumc.org](mailto:theresa@allendaleumc.org) for more!*

# 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:

Jalen Garza	Apr 9
Diane Gibson	Apr 12
Joanne Reich	Apr 13
Stephanie Lindeman	Apr 14
Ellen Mowbray	Apr 15
Patty Rust	Apr 24
Sugar-pi Wiedeberg	Apr 28
Jane Caldwell	Apr 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](http://www.allendaleumc.org/therapy)

## PRESENCE

Previous Sunday: 104 in-person, 202 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

## SETTING UP AUTOMATIC ONLINE GIVING:

Contact the office 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

### HARM BEING DONE BY THE STATE:

Two bills currently moving through the state legislature will target undocumented folks, making it illegal for individuals to house them or give them a ride to the doctor in their car. It also makes it dangerous for them to seek medical help and obtain identification.

Harmful Consequences of SB 1718 and HB 1617:

*Denial of Identification:* Both bills prohibit local governments from funding organizations that issue identification documents to undocumented individuals. Without proper identification, these individuals may face difficulty accessing essential services, proving their identity in various situations, and even exercising their human rights.

*Reduced Access to Healthcare:* The bills require hospitals to collect patient immigration status information, which may deter undocumented individuals from seeking medical help due to fear of deportation.

*Barriers to Employment:* The bills impose harsher penalties for employers who hire undocumented workers and mandate the use of E-Verify. These measures will further limit workers' ability to support themselves and their families.

*Criminalizing Assistance:* This provision will make it increasingly difficult for undocumented individuals to access essential services like healthcare, education, and legal assistance. Not only will this affect undocumented individuals, but also those who wish to help them. Individuals, community organizations, and faith-based groups could face severe legal consequences for providing transportation or housing assistance out of compassion or a sense of moral responsibility.

As a faith community seeking justice and liberation, we are called to stand up for what is right and resist evil and injustice in any forms they present themselves, including harmful legislation. We believe that the passage of SB 1718 and HB 1617 would further marginalize our immigrant neighbors, and as such, we cannot remain silent.

# EASTER SUNDAY

## seeking: Who are you looking for?

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

PRELUDE ..... Bill Lee

*Land of the Seeking (Video)* |LaJoye|  
*Open the Gates of the Temple* |Knapp|

WELCOME ..... Rev. Andy Oliver

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SONG ..... Allendale Choir

*Christ the Lord is Risen Today, Joyful Joyful* |Wesley, Beethoven, Van Dyke|

CALL TO WORSHIP & AFFIRMATION OF FAITH ..... Sheila Stewart

SONG ..... Allendale Band

*Up From The Grave Christ Arose* |Lowry|

PASTORAL PRAYER ..... Rev. David Franks

*Land of the Seeking Reprise* |LaJoye|

TIME WITH CHILDREN ..... Rev. Andy Oliver

OFFERING ..... Congregation

*Ave Maria* |Schubert|

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

POEM ..... Courtney Ross

SONG ..... Allendale Band

*Who Are You Looking For?* |Strickland|

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION & SCRIPTURE ..... Sheila Stewart

*John 20:1-18*

SERMON & COMMUNION ..... Rev. Andy Oliver

SONG ..... Allendale Choir

*Where There is Love* |Crane|

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS ..... Rev. Andy Oliver

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY ..... Theresa Frost

BENEDICTION ..... Sheila Stewart

POSTLUDE ..... Bill Lee



"Rabbouni" by T. Denise Anderson

### JOHN 20:1-18

For Mary, Jesus truly became fully God and fully human. She loved all of him, because through him she had experienced a love that embraced all of her. This is the wholeness that heals the world and brings us into eternal life.

What would it look like for us to see Jesus as he is? Not merely as we want him to be, or even need him to be, but in the fullness of his glory—fully human and fully God? What would it mean for us to love him with our whole hearts, and live for him from that wholeheartedness?

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

### Sun Apr 9 - Easter Sunday

7 AM Easter Sunrise Service (Crescent Lake)

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

5 PM Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman)

### Mon Apr 10

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

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin & Tubman)

### Tue Apr 11

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

### Wed Apr 12

6 PM Scripture Class (Room 109 & Zoom)

6 PM Welcome Statement Class (CC)

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin)

### Thu Apr 13

9 AM Chit Chat (Zoom)

7 PM AA Home Group (Bill W.)

### Fri Apr 14

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

8 PM AA Go After Your Sobriety (Rustin)

### Sat Apr 15

9 AM DEI Training Weekend

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

### Sun Apr 16

9 AM DEI Training Weekend

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

4 PM One City Chorus Concert (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 Apr 12

Taco Bar, Elote (Mexican street corn), Sweet Plantains, Fresh Fruit, Salad, Dessert

### Wed Apr 19

Chicken & Yellow Rice, Black Beans and Peas, Tropical Fruit Salad, Plantains, Salad, Dessert