



ALLENDALE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

MAY 28, 2023

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WELCOME

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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 recommended 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

- May 28-Jun 4 Allendale Hosting Families for Family Promise
- Sun Jun 11 New Member Sunday (Sanctuary) 10:30 AM
Sign-up at www.allendaleumc.org/join
- 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
- Jul 3-8 Warren Willis Summer Camp

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

WORSHIP NOTES

TODAY'S LITURGIST:

GWENDOLYN REESE serves as president of the African American Heritage Association. She has dedicated her 30-year career to organizations focusing on social justice, equity, and anti-racism. She leads initiatives like the African American Heritage Trail to increase awareness of local Black history. Additionally, Reese holds municipal leadership roles, including commissioner of the city's Community Planning & Preservation Commission, and has received numerous accolades for her work.

TODAY'S LITURGIST:

NICK CAREY (he/him/his) Nick and his wife Aileen moved to St. Petersburg in 2017 and Allendale became their church home in 2018 as a space that connects their faith with a belief in justice. Nick serves as a Community Organizer in Pinellas County with Faith in Florida, working with faith leaders and impacted people to guarantee housing, safety and access to democracy. Nick enjoys disc golf and loving his two dogs, Wilbur and Rylie.

TODAY'S WORSHIP MUSIC:

guitar/vocals - Dylan Dames
bass - Matthew Blaine
vocals - Erica George
organist - Bill Lee

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINDFULNESS MEDITATION:

Mindfulness is the practice of being present in the moment. David Armbruster will be leading a meditation class at Allendale on Wednesday nights from 6-7:30 PM beginning on May 31. *Learn more: www.allendaleumc.org/mind.*

STRUCTURAL RACISM STUDY GROUP:

Explore the historical and modern-day impact of structural racism on the lives of Black people in St. Petersburg in this 3 week discussion-based course. Drawing from the report commissioned by the City of St. Pete, we will read and discuss highlights, and begin to identify ways to dismantle white supremacy in our community today. Meets Sundays at 9 AM, June 18, 25 and July 9. Co- led by Drs. Amy Mormino and Kate Pravera.

CREATION CARE VBS:

Our week-long nature-filled Vacation Bible School is June 12-16, 9 AM - 12 PM! We will explore the nature around us, explore ways to love and care for our Earth and delight in God as creator, redeemer, and sustainer of all things. VBS is for children ages preschool-5th grade. Adults who are interested in serving as volunteers should come to our informational session after church on May 28. *Registration is now open for kids to participate in VBS at Allendale: www.allendaleumc.org/vbs*

Questions? Email: children@allendaleumc.org.

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
Amy Wells: Michael's health concerns (brother)
Anthony Lenzo: loss of Valerie (mother)
Service in Allendale Chapel Jun 13, 10 AM
Michele Rayner-Goolsby: loss of their mother

BIRTHDAYS:

Chris Marks	May 28
Ginger Holton	Jun 6
Cuth Hutton	Jun 10
Greg Brecht	Jun 11
Erin Giblin	Jun 12
David Franks	Jun 14
Joshua Nikkel	Jun 14
Beth Jones	Jun 16

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 for care 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

WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?

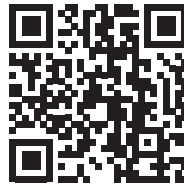
The next opportunity:
Sun Jun 11 at 10:30 AM
Sign-up at: www.allendaleumc.org/join

GIFTS

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

WITNESS

ST PETE ANTI-RACISM STUDY:



Scan this QR code or visit allendaleumc.org/antiracism for the full St. Petersburg Anti-Racism Study report.

In the city of St. Petersburg, as in cities and jurisdictions throughout the United States, a history of pre-meditated and targeted policies and coordinated administrative actions have differentially impaired Black individuals and families throughout the past 125 years. These policies and actions led to major wealth and health disparities that continue to the current day. Collectively, this sweeping range of policies and actions, known as structural racism, has helped to ensure continued marginalization of Black citizens in St. Petersburg.

This report provides both historical detail and a set of new analyses documenting the broad impact of structural racism. It connects harmful policy decisions and city actions with differential, dire impacts on basic human dignities curtailing the fundamental rights of life, liberty and pursuit of happiness stipulated in the Declaration of Independence. With greater awareness and acceptance of the city's heart-rending history and lingering indifference concerning generational impacts of differential racist policymaking, intentional policies can be enacted which will safeguard overall health and well-being of this and future generations of Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC) citizens of St. Petersburg.

We are in an era where progress made through the passage of federal legislation has been challenged by a backlash regarding voting rights calculated to differentially impact Black citizens, evidenced by 389 restrictive bills introduced during the 2021 legislative sessions in 48 states, including Florida. Perceptions of racial inferiority and inequality continue to influence contemporary discussions and decisions made regarding equity.

Excerpt from "Examination of Historical and Modern-Day Impact of Structural Racism on the Lives of Black People in the City of St. Petersburg, Florida", 2021



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE Bill Lee

WELCOME Rev. Andy Oliver

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SONG Allendale Band

Woke Up This Morning with My Mind Stayed on Freedom |Wesby|

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER Nick Carey

SONG Allendale Band

Spirit of God |Wickham|

TIME WITH CHILDREN Theresa Frost

OFFERING Congregation

Building Up a New World |Harding|
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PRAYER OF DEDICATION Nick Carey

SONG Allendale Band

Hear My Voice |Celeste|

SCRIPTURE Nick Carey

Acts 2:1-21

SERMON Gwendolyn Reese

SONG Allendale Band

The Journey Isn't Over |Miller|

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY Theresa Frost

BENEDICTION Nick Carey

POSTLUDE Bill Lee



ACTS 2:1-21

Is that God? It's hard to tell...

We don't usually see God like this, but this Mystery feels like Her. We've entered into a cohesive, co-creative space. We're experiencing healing in real time.

God is closer to us than ever yet more unrecognizable - we've never seen Creator this close... yet this experience still somehow feels familiar.

Have we danced with Her before?

Has She danced in us before?

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Liturgy from Enfleshed*

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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 May 28

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

5 PM Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman)

Mon May 29 - Office Closed (Memorial Day)

6 PM Scripture Class (Room 109 & Zoom)

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

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin & Tubman)

Tue May 30

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

Wed May 31

5 PM Dinner at Allendale (Community Center)

6 PM Mindful Meditation Class (Sanctuary)

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin)

Thu Jun 1

9 AM Chit Chat (Zoom)

7 PM AA Home Group (Bill W.)

Fri Jun 2

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

8 PM AA Go After Your Sobriety (Rustin)

Sat Jun 3

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

12 PM Sew Much Hope (Wesley)

Sun Jun 4

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

5 PM Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman)

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