



ALLENDALE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

JULY 16, 2023

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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 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

- Jul 17-21 Girls Rock Camp
- Sat Jul 29 Meet-up at FUSION Resort to see Judy Haines (290 107th Ave) 6 PM
- Jul 31- Aug 5 Youth End of Summer Bash
- Sun Aug 6 Blessing of the Backpacks
- Sun Aug 13 New Member Sunday (Sanctuary) 10:30 AM
Sign-up at www.allendaleumc.org/join
- Sep 8-10 United Women in Faith Spiritual Enrichment Retreat

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

WORSHIP NOTES

TODAY'S LITURGIST:

JOHN STEWART (he/him/his) is a second-generation Floridian. He was born in Lakeland and grew up in Seminole after his father bought a grocery store on John's Pass. He retired after 37 teaching in Pinellas County high schools, where he taught English, creative writing, humanities, and Advanced Placement Art History. His passions for social justice include public protest and working with people experiencing homelessness. He is a volunteer docent at the Dali Museum and at the Museum of Fine Arts. Among his interests are camping, reading, movies, watching meteor showers, and travel. He lives in St. Petersburg with his wife Sheila Stewart and yard cat Ole Oliver Gray.

TODAY'S WORSHIP MUSIC:

bass - Matthew Blaine
drums - Bianca Goolsby
piano/vocals - Judy Haines-Hricik

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

WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?

The next opportunity:

Sun Aug 13 at 10:30 AM

Sign-up at: www.allendaleumc.org/join

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PAINTED FINGERNAILS:

Our next Drag Gospel Sunday with Momma Ashley Rose is on July 30! In support of our Drag Queen siblings, there's an opportunity to paint our fingernails on July 30! Come with your nails painted, or get them painted before worship. If you have any nail polish you would like to donate, bring it next Sunday, July 23. We will also have nail polish remover available for those who only want to keep their nails painted while at Allendale.

WE NEED DRIVERS:

With more people coming back to church, and many relying on others for rides, we are looking for drivers and for someone to help us coordinate transportation to get people to and from church on Sundays using our church bus or carpooling. If you are interested in either driving occasionally on Sunday mornings or coordinating pick-ups and drop-offs, reach out to the church office: office@allendaleumc.org

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS:

We will hold a special time in our service on Aug 6 for students and school staff of all ages to bring up their backpacks, briefcases, or any school tote to be prayed over for this school year. We value the hard work and ministry of our teachers and administrators, and want to celebrate their impact.

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)
Joe Jacoby: cancer treatments

BIRTHDAYS:

Nina Dauzet	Jul 16
Jim Bennett	Jul 17
Lynda Beltz	Jul 19
Marjorie Footlick 🎉100th🎉	Jul 21
Aileen Carey	Jul 26
Barbara Morse	Jul 26
Marilyn Lyn Dickinson	Jul 29
Hannah Newton	Jul 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 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

Previous Sunday: 96 in-person, 200 online
Livestream: www.allendaleumc.org/online

GIFTS

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

WITNESS

INT'L NON-BINARY PEOPLE'S DAY:

International Non-Binary People's Day graces us every year on July 14. Marking the midpoint between International Men's Day and International Women's Day. Gender does not simply fit into binary boxes, but is rather a vibrant and diverse continuum.

We believe that all of humanity is created in the image of God, who is not limited to the traditional binary of male and female. Our expansive Divine Creator is infinitely varied, encompassing all identities and experiences. God is the original They/Them.

Scripture teaches us that each and every person is sacred and holds an intrinsic worth, independent of their gender identity. In our faith, we strive to mirror this divine example of radical inclusion, extending our love and respect to all, while celebrating the sacred worth of our non-binary siblings. Just as our scriptures invite us into transformative love and liberation, we are called to affirm and uphold the identities and experiences of our non-binary family, seeing in them the divine reflection of God's unlimited diversity and boundless love.

We, as a community rich in diversity, celebrate our own identities, our own strengths, and our unique roles in creating this beautifully varied tapestry of human existence. Non-binary members of our congregation are part of us, shaping and embodying the identity of our collective, enriching us with diverse perspectives and experiences.



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE Allendale Band

No Roots | Merton|

WELCOME Rev. Andy Oliver

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SONG Allendale Band

Love Where You're At | Stone|

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER John Stewart

SONG Allendale Band

Let it Be in My Heart | Flanigan|

TIME WITH CHILDREN Rev. Andy Oliver

OFFERING Congregation

Building Up A New World | Harding|
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PRAYER OF DEDICATION..... John Stewart

SONG Allendale Band

The Secret Life of Plants | Wonder|

SCRIPTURE John Stewart

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

SERMON Rev. Andy Oliver

SONG Mark Miller

Harvest of Love | Miller|

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY Theresa Frost

BENEDICTION John Stewart

POSTLUDE Allendale Band

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MATTHEW 13:1-9, 18-23

I appreciate how the narrative of the seed in this parable progresses, from falling on a path to its growth stages.

At first, societal forces snatch away the Word of God due to lack of understanding.

However, as the seed sprouts, some manipulate Biblical concepts like 'endurance' and 'persecution' to uphold structures of oppression, manipulating narratives to suit their agenda rather than aligning with Jesus' liberatory work.

This journey then stalls as worldly cares and the desire for wealth hinder growth, leading to performative allyship and superficial connection with the Divine, symbolizing choked roots.

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Liturgy from Enfleshed*

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All in the Congregation | Ministers of the Gospel

THIS WEEK

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

Sun Jul 16

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

5 PM Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman)

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

Mon Jul 17 - Girls Rock

6 PM Scripture Class (Room 109 & Zoom)

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

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin & Tubman)

Tue Jul 18 - Girls Rock

5:30 Youth Movie Night (Sanctuary)

Wed Jul 19 - Girls Rock

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin)

Thu Jul 20 - Girls Rock

9 AM Chit Chat (Zoom)

7 PM AA Home Group (Bill W.)

Fri Jul 21 - Girls Rock

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

8 PM AA Go After Your Sobriety (Rustin)

Sat Jul 22

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

Sun Jul 23

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. Vegetarian or
Vegan options are always available.*

Wed Jul 19

No Dinner or Classes!

Wed Jul 26

Smoked Sausage with Onions, Roasted Ratatouille, Pasta Agilo Olio, Salad, Bread, Dessert

Wed Aug 2

Spaghetti and Meatballs, Italian Cut Lemon Pepper Green Beans, Salad, Dessert