



ALLENDALE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

JULY 30, 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

- Aug 2-6 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:

BIANCA GOOLSBY (she/her/hers) is the visionary founder of LEVEL8 Digital Strategy Agency and Teaching for the Culture. With a deep-rooted passion for digital safety and empowerment, Bianca has become a recognized expert in her field, garnering widespread attention and accolades for her advocacy efforts. Through her agency, she has helped numerous individuals and organizations navigate the complex world of digital media, ensuring their online presence is both impactful and secure.

TODAY'S DRAG ARTISTS:

LUX (she/her/hers) is passionate about entertaining people and expressing her artistic talents through drag. Her passion for the arts started as a young child and she was soon taking piano lessons in elementary school. Lux loves connecting with an audience as well as making a personal connection with people off stage.

MR. VYN SUAZION (he/him/his) is an international FTM Filipino American recording artist and mental health advocate. He is in the business of creating joy and safe spaces for humankind. He is the newly crowned Mr. St. Pete Pride 2023.

MOMMA ASHLEY ROSE (any/all) aka Jason De Shazo is the founder and president of Rose Dynasty Foundation Inc., a non-profit whose mission is to provide a safe and family friendly atmosphere for all people, embodying the message that you are "Loved, Accepted, and Wanted!"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASSES:

We are taking a short break from Wednesday night dinner and classes Aug 2 & 9. Our fall semester of programming begins on Aug 16. New classes will be announced in the coming weeks.

DEATH PENALTY VIGIL:

Join Floridians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty, Allendale UMC, and other death penalty opponents' call to stay the execution of James Barnes and to oppose the death penalty at a vigil from 5-6 PM on Thu, Aug 3 at the NW corner of Ulmerton Rd and 49th St N. *For more information, contact John Stewart at sjstew@gte.net.*

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.

YOUTH END OF SUMMER BASH:

Aug 2 - Basketball and Video Game Party
Aug 3 - Mystery Event!
Aug 4 - Pool Party
Aug 5-6 Overnight Lock-In at Allendale UMC

Events are 5:30-8 PM except for the lock-in.
RSVP at www.allendaleumc.org/bash

STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS

Donna Baxla: lung cancer treatments
Dan Leeper: cancer treatments
Karen Welling: health issues
Eunice Fisher: health issues
Bobbie Windle: cancer treatments
Amy Wells: Michael's health concerns (brother)
Joe Jacoby: cancer treatments

BIRTHDAYS:

Hannah Newton	Jul 30
Bill Lee	Aug 7
Bob Wallace	Aug 7
Nicole Slaughter-Graham	Aug 15
Holli Hallmark	Aug 16
Sheila Stewart	Aug 18
Will Redlow	Aug 19

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: 77 in-person, 140 online
Livestream: www.allendaleumc.org/online

WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?

The next opportunity:
Sun Aug 13 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



Give Online now by scanning this code with your phone's camera

WITNESS

DRAG GOSPEL WORSHIP:

In an era marked by divisive rhetoric, discriminatory laws, and harmful policies that target our LGBTQ+ family, migrants, reproductive rights, and communities of color, we find it not only necessary but imperative to respond with love, acceptance, and affirmation.

We hope Allendale can be a place of healing and celebration for all, particularly those who have been marginalized and oppressed. To this end, we are joyful for 5th Sunday Drag Gospel Worship Services.

We want to extend a heartfelt invitation to those who have felt the sting of exclusion and rejection, especially those from the LGBTQ+ community who have been wounded by the church in the past. We understand the courage it takes to step back into a space that has caused harm. Know this - many of us also bear scars. We are you, we stand with you.

Allendale offers a sanctuary where it's okay to question, to doubt, to explore your faith, or show up with no faith at all. This is a safe space to heal, discover, grow, commune, recover, eat, laugh, and simply be yourself. We are committed to walking alongside you on this journey, wherever it may lead.

Jesus located himself among the marginalized, stood in solidarity with the oppressed, and loved without conditions or exceptions. He invited everyone to the table, and so do we.

No matter where you've been, no matter where you're going, know that there is a place for you here.

This Drag Gospel Worship Service is more than a worship service; it's a time to heal, a testament to our commitment toward radical love and inclusion, and a vibrant celebration of diversity!

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE Allendale Band

This Is Me |Pasek, Paul|

WELCOME Rev. Andy Oliver

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SONG Allendale Band

As I Am |Rose|

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER Bianca Goolsby

SONG Allendale Band

Lover Of My Soul, I Give You My Heart (medly) |Grul, Ezzy, McPherson, Morgan|

TIME WITH CHILDREN Momma Ashley Rose

OFFERING Congregation

Blessed Assurance |Crosby, Knapp|
give online at www.allendaleumc.org/give

PRAYER OF DEDICATION..... Bianca Goolsby

SONG Allendale Band

Rise Up |Day, Decilveo, Batie|

SCRIPTURE Bianca Goolsby

Romans 8:26-28, 31, 35-39

SERMON Rev. Andy Oliver

SONG Allendale Band

Just Be |Suazion|

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY Theresa Frost

BENEDICTION Bianca Goolsby

POSTLUDE Allendale Band

Reflections |Wilder, Zippel|



ROMANS 8:26-28, 31, 35-39

Our Creator keeps Her word to keep us in her impenetrable love. She hears our needs and does not try to bargain or cheat us out of abundance. She gives to us freely as she knows all that has tried to pull us from Her. Even as the terrors of this life obscure Her from our view, her love comes running to preserve us in the most trying hours. She knows that we are beyond value regardless of what price tag evil systems may have been affixed to us.

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Liturgy from Enfleshed*

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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 Jul 30

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

5 PM Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman)

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

Mon Jul 31

6 PM Scripture Class (Room 109 & Zoom)

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

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin & Tubman)

Tue Aug 1

5:30 Youth Movie Night

Wed Aug 2

6 PM Mindful Meditation Class (Sanctuary)

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin)

Thu Aug 3

9 AM Chit Chat (Zoom)

7 PM AA Home Group (Bill W.)

Fri Aug 4

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

8 PM AA Go After Your Sobriety (Rustin)

Sat Aug 5

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

Sun Aug 6

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

TODAY'S MUSICIANS:

piano - Tru Mizzell

piano - Lux

guitar/vocals - Dylan Dames

vocals - Vyn Suazion

vocals - Momma Ashley Rose

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