

ALLENDALE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

NOVEMBER 19, 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/Tue/Thu 9-5, Wed/Fri 9-12*

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.

Zoom links for Allendale's virtual events can be found at www.allendaleumc.org/online.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mon Nov 20 Trans Day of Remembrance Vigil (175 5th St N) 6:30 PM
- Thu Nov 30 TransNetwork Conversations on Privilege (Sanctuary) 6:30 PM
- Fri Dec 8 Celebrate Outreach Christmas Caroling (100 Mirror Lake Dr N) - 7 PM
- Fri Dec 8 Gay Men's Chorus of Tampa Bay Christmas Concert (Sanctuary) 8 PM
- Sun Dec 10 New Member Sunday (Sanctuary) 10:30 AM
Sign-up at www.allendaleumc.org/join
- Sat Dec 16 Brunch With Santa (Community Center) 10 AM
- Thu Dec 21 Longest Night Service (Sanctuary) 6 PM
- Sat Dec 23 Christmas Eve Eve Impromptu Christmas Pageant (Sanctuary) 6 PM
- Sun Dec 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service (Sanctuary) 6 PM
- Get more information about our upcoming events by visiting: www.allendaleumc.org/events*

WORSHIP NOTES

TODAY'S LITURGIST:

LYNN FRUIT (she/her/hers) loves Allendale's commitment to social justice and being a place where everyone belongs. She and Ed have two sons living in Tampa. Lynn retired from a career as a project manager, and now enjoys gardening with native plants, throwing pots, pickleball, and singing with One City Chorus.

TODAY'S MUSICIANS:

piano/vocals - Judy Haines-Hricik
organist - Bill Lee
Our Christmas choir will sing in Worship on Sun Dec 10. *Contact tru@allendaleumc.org to join our band or choir!*

DECORATIONS ON THE ALTAR:

The Thanksgiving altar arrangement was prepared by Allendale's United Women in Faith as an expression of gratitude for our many blessings.

ONGOING CLASSES

Poverty, By America Book Study - *Sun at 9 AM*

Scripture Class on Zoom - *Mon at 6 PM*
Join via Zoom: www.allendaleumc.org/online

Wednesday Night Classes - *Nov 29 at 6 PM*
Imago Dei Art History
Activism and Organizing

Reminder: *No Dinner or Classes on Wed Nov 22*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSGENDER DAY OF REMEMBRANCE:

We honor and remember our siblings who lost their lives due to anti-trans violence. On Mon Nov 20 at 6:30 PM, gather at the Sunshine Center (330 5th St N), for a short candlelit procession to the steps of City Hall (175 5th St N), for a memorial service.

CONVERSATIONS ON PRIVILEGE:

TransNetwork is making space for important discussion surrounding the loss and gain of privilege, how we utilize our privilege, and share ideas about how we can use our privilege to advance a better understanding of the Transgender and Gender Expansive community. Thu Nov 30 at 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary. All voices are welcome:
www.allendaleumc.org/transnetwork

SUNDAY MORNING GRIEF SUPPORT:

We are starting a grief support group that will meet on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM before worship. The class starts Sun Dec 3. *If you would like to participate, visit: www.allendaleumc.org/grief*

BRUNCH WITH SANTA:

Santa Claus is coming to Allendale for a delicious brunch buffet on Sat Dec 16 from 10 AM - 12 PM in the Community Center. Join us for food, Christmas crafts, reindeer games, and pictures with Santa! Tickets are \$5 or whatever you can afford. *Get tickets at: www.allendaleumc.org/santa*

STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS

Donna Baxla: lung cancer treatments

Dan Leeper: cancer treatments

Karen Welling: health issues

Eunice Fisher: health issues

Joe Jacoby: cancer treatments

BIRTHDAYS:

Reba Younce Nov 20

Midge Mitchell Nov 22

Mark Morrison Nov 27

Jen Clark Nov 29

Edwin Hotaling Dec 4

Scott Brown Dec 5

Jessica Throop Dec 6

Michelle Taylor Dec 7

Tori Nikkel Dec 9

Donna Vollmer Dec 9

Steven Geis Dec 10

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/counseling

PRESENCE

Previous Sunday: 82 in-person, 167 online

Livestream: www.allendaleumc.org/online

WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?

The next opportunity:

Sun Dec 10 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

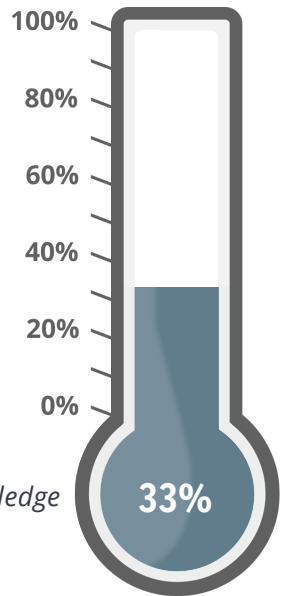
MAKE A FINANCIAL PLEDGE FOR 2024:

We are a congregation filled with new faces and stories. Our immediate work is to get to know each other, creating a community of care. As we strengthen our relationships we will be better equipped to do the hard work of building up a new world of equity and justice.

Your pledge enables us to plan a 2024 budget that will be a faithful response for who God calls Allendale to be. Our communal resources are to be a living offering. Our shared money, a tool for liberation. Our shared skills, expressions of dedication and love. We pledge what we have that it may be so!

\$107,569 of our
\$325,000 goal
has been pledged
as of Fri Nov 17.

Make your pledge at
www.allendaleumc.org/pledge



ANNOUNCEMENTS

FARMWORKERS INGATHERING:

Allendale United Women in Faith is collecting new toys, non-perishable food, new clothing for infants and children and Walmart or Dollar Tree gift cards. Bring donations to Allendale by Sun Dec 3rd. Contact dianegibson@hotmail.com

COLD NIGHT SHELTER:

Allendale is going to be a shelter for our unhoused neighbors during cold nights. We need volunteers to help with meals, activities, and hosting overnight at Allendale.
Sign up at: www.allendaleumc.org/coldnight



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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Let us know you are here by going to www.allendaleumc.org/here or by filling out the attendance pad in your row.

PRELUDE Bill Lee
Voluntary on Kremser |Young|

WELCOME Rev. Andy Oliver
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SONG Allendale Band
I Am Light |Arie|

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER Lynn Fruit

SONG Allendale Band
They'll Know We Are Guided By Our Love |Scholtes|

TIME WITH CHILDREN Theresa Frost

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT Ed Lally

OFFERING Congregation
This Little Light of Mine |Loes, Horton|
give online at www.allendaleumc.org/give

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Lynn Fruit

SONG Allendale Band
All of Life is Filled With Wonder |Gillette|

SCRIPTURE Lynn Fruit
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

SERMON Rev. Andy Oliver

TRANSGENDER REMEMBRANCE Allendale Band
Not Forgotten |King|

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY Rev. Andy Oliver

BENEDICTION Lynn Fruit

POSTLUDE Bill Lee
Voluntary on Ein Fiesta Burg |Young|



1 THESSALONIANS 5:1-11

Our actions are important to our faith, but especially in moments of crisis and turmoil.

How we steward resources, or perhaps most importantly, our relationship to resource as it reveals how we relate to one another, is of deep concern for the divine. And when the time comes for those of us who are awake to get active, the hoarders of resource will fear those of us who own nothing in comparison. We hold space for righteous fury that does not give way to imprisoning paradigms. Against those who rob and threaten us, we can defend ourselves and the lands we steward with God on our side.

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Liturgy from Enfleshed (portions adapted by Allendale)

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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 of us in the Congregation | Ministers of the Gospel

THIS WEEK

Sun Nov 19

9 AM Poverty, By America Book Study (CC)

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

5 PM Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman)

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

Mon Nov 20

5 PM Community Qi Gong (Community Center)

6:30 PM Trans Day of Remembrance Vigil

6:30 PM AA Common Peril (Bill W.)

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin & Tubman)

Tue Nov 21

Wed Nov 22

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin)

Thu Nov 23

9 AM Chit Chat (Zoom)

7 PM AA Home Group (Bill W.)

Fri Nov 24

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

8 PM AA Go After Your Sobriety (Rustin)

Sat Nov 25

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

Sun Nov 26

9 AM Poverty, By America Book Study (CC)

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 Nov 22

No dinner/classes during Thanksgiving break