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# ALLENDALE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## 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 preferred 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 in the office hallway, 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](http://www.allendaleumc.org/online).

**1924-2024** Celebrating 100 years of ministry!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jan 26-28 SingFest 2024- a festival for those who identify as women (Allendale)  
*Learn more at [www.singfestfl.com](http://www.singfestfl.com)*
- Sun Feb 4 Woodson Warrior Fundraiser Gala (535 4th Ave N) 3-6 PM  
*featuring guest speaker Bryan Stevenson of the Equal Justice Initiative*
- Sun Feb 11 New Member Sunday (Sanctuary) 10:30 AM  
*Sign-up at [www.allendaleumc.org/join](http://www.allendaleumc.org/join)*
- Sat Oct 5 Allendale 100th Anniversary Open House
- Sun Oct 6 Allendale 100th Anniversary Homecoming

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

## WORSHIP NOTES

### TODAY'S LITURGIST:

**LASHLEY MARKS** (she/her/hers) was raised in St. Pete, moved to UF for college, then to Virginia Beach for graduate school. There she met her husband, Chris, at the Methodist Church his father pastored. She was excited to return to St. Pete to be near parents and younger siblings. She now works as a psychologist at the USF Counseling Center. She and Chris were then blessed to be placed with their son, Elijah, whom they adopted in August, 2021. She loves music, spending time with family & friends, and the Gators.

### TODAY'S MUSICIANS:

guitar/vocals - Dylan Dames  
piano/vocals - Judy Haines-Hricik  
piano - Tru Mizzell  
*Contact [tru@allendaleumc.org](mailto:tru@allendaleumc.org) to join our band or choir.*

## ONGOING CLASSES

- Book Study Group - Sun at 9 AM
- Grief Support Group - Sun 1/28 at 9 AM  
*This class meets every other Sunday*
- Scripture Class on Zoom - Mon at 6 PM  
*Join via Zoom: [www.allendaleumc.org/online](http://www.allendaleumc.org/online)*
- Wednesday Night Classes - Wed at 6 PM  
*Dinner starts at 5 PM, followed by Classes*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### COMMUNITY QI GONG:

On Monday Nights from 5:30-6:30 PM, Andrea Smith leads Community Qigong, an hour of guided relaxation and movement, in the Community Center at Allendale. This class is a love offering for the trans community and allies. This class is free!

### SINGFEST 2024:

SingFest is a festival for women Jan 26-28. This event features singing, drumming, dancing, poetry and other creative workshops and keynotes. Come gather with joyful spirit sisters as we celebrate the Sacred Feminine. *This festival is happening at Allendale. Learn more and register: [www.singfestfl.com](http://www.singfestfl.com)*

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

This Wednesday Night, Karen Liberman is giving a presentation at 6 PM in the Community Center following dinner at 5 PM.

### WATERMARK'S WAVE AWARD NOMINEE:

Allendale UMC and Andy Oliver, along with many of our friends and partners were nominated for Watermark's 2024 Wave Awards in several categories. Thank you to the Watermark readers who nominated us.

Allendale's Nominations include:  
*Favorite Local Trans-Affirming Space*  
*Favorite Local Faith-Based Establishment*

Pastor Andy's nomination:  
*Greatest Ally to the Local Community*

# STEWARDSHIP

## PRAYERS

**Donna Baxla:** lung cancer treatments

**Dan Leeper:** cancer treatments

**Karen Welling:** health issues

**Eunice Fisher:** health issues

**Jim Pridgen:** James (friend) is having surgery

**Joe Jacoby:** cancer treatments

### BIRTHDAYS:

Tom Dunn Jan 22

John Stewart Jan 22

DeDe Trapp Jan 22

Bobbie Windle Jan 27

Dee Miller Jan 28

Maria Davidson Jan 29

Tara Davidson Jan 29

Cindy Burns Jan 31

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

## PRESENCE

Previous Sunday: 96 in-person, 158 online

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

### WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?

The next opportunity:

**Sun Feb 11 at 10:30 AM**

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

## GIFTS

Give online: [www.allendaleumc.org/give](http://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

### 100 YEARS OF ALLENDALE:

2024 marks Allendale's 100th Anniversary.

In 1924, Allendale United Methodist Church was established in North St. Petersburg, Florida, to serve the growing Allendale community. The founding meeting took place in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cade Allen, where seven individuals decided to form the church, initially named "Allendale Methodist Episcopal Church."

From the start, the church was active and focused on expanding its religious programs and services for both its members and the surrounding community. The Allen family donated land for the church buildings and contributed to their financing.

Located at the intersection of 38th Avenue North, Haines Road, and 11th Street, the church buildings, including the original sanctuary (now known as the chapel), Allen Hall, and the parsonage, were constructed at a cost of \$56,372. (\$981,523 today)

Construction began in October 1925 under the supervision of Mr. Cade Allen, and the first religious service in the new Sanctuary was held on May 17, 1926, just two years after the church's founding. This rapid progress was a significant achievement for the young congregation. The first hundred members of the church were honored as "Charter Members."

While Allen Hall and the original parsonage no longer exist, the 98-year-old chapel is still here and currently serves as the worship space for Saint Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Community



*The original Allendale Sanctuary, constructed in 1926, still exists today as the Chapel. (Photo circa 1936)*

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Let us know you are here by going to [www.allendaleumc.org/here](http://www.allendaleumc.org/here) or by filling out the attendance pad in your row.

PRELUDE ..... Allendale Band  
*Dare You To Move* |Switchfoot|

WELCOME ..... Rev. Andy Oliver  
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SONG ..... Allendale Band  
*Home* |Phillips, Holden|

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER ..... Lashley Marks

SONG ..... Allendale Band  
*Use Somebody* |Kings of Leon|

TIME WITH CHILDREN ..... Theresa Frost

100 YEARS OF ALLENDALE ..... Amy Mormino

OFFERING ..... Congregation  
*Building Up A New World* |Harding|  
*give online at [www.allendaleumc.org/give](http://www.allendaleumc.org/give)*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION ..... Lashley Marks

SONG ..... Allendale Band  
*Wonderwall* |Oasis|

SCRIPTURE ..... Lashley Marks  
*Mark 1:14-20*

SERMON ..... Rev. Andy Oliver

SONG ..... Allendale Band  
*I Have Decided To Follow Jesus* |Singh|

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY ..... Theresa Frost

BENEDICTION ..... Lashley Marks

POSTLUDE ..... Allendale Band  
*Dare You To Move* |Switchfoot|



### MARK 1:14-20

Many of our siblings live in precarity, with nowhere safe to call home, risking everything they have. Dispossessed and facing threats to their health and safety, they are driven to take bold actions. There are those who stand firm in the face of adversity—hunger strikers, conscientious objectors, and those who challenge authority. When danger is imminent, priorities shift from individual survival to the well-being of the community. Those in perpetual danger often transcend self-concern, finding solace in the Divine as their source of deliverance. It's our duty to ensure they don't face these risks alone.

*Image from Unsplash*

*Liturgy from Enfleshed (portions adapted by Allendale)*

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Aaron Bennett, Maintenance | [aaron@allendaleumc.org](mailto:aaron@allendaleumc.org)

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 Jan 21

9 AM Book Study Group (CC)

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

5 PM Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman)

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

### Mon Jan 22

5 PM Community Qi Gong (Community Center)

6 PM Scripture Class (Zoom)

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

7 PM Suncoast Gay Square Dancing (CC)

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin & Tubman)

### Tue Jan 23

12:30 PM AA Just the Black Lines (Tubman)

6 PM Staff Parish Meeting (Zoom)

7 PM Trustees Meeting (Zoom)

### Wed Jan 24

5 PM Dinner at Allendale (Community Center)

6 PM Guided Poetry Class (Community Center)

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin)

### Thu Jan 25

9 AM Chit Chat (Zoom)

6 PM Finance Meeting (Zoom)

6:30 PM Suncoast Gay Square Dancing (CC)

7 PM Church Council Meeting (Zoom)

7 PM AA Home Group (Bill W.)

### Fri Jan 26

8:30 AM Singfest 2024

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

8 PM AA Go After Your Sobriety (Rustin)

### Sat Jan 27

8:30 AM Singfest 2024

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

### Sun Jan 28

9 AM Book Study Group (CC)

9 AM Grief Support Group (Wesley)

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

5 PM Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman)

## 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 Jan 24

Chicken Teriyaki, Channa Masala,

Vegetable Biryani, Dessert

Asian Salad w/ Tahini dressing