



# ALLENDALE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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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 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

- Sat Mar 2 GMCTB Big Gay Cabaret: #1 Hits (Jaeb Theater at the Straz) 8 PM  
*Get tickets: [www.gmctb.org/hits](http://www.gmctb.org/hits) This event is for ages 18+*
- Fri Mar 8 International Women's Day with S.L. Wisenberg (Temple Beth-El) 6 PM  
*A Leif Nissen Social Justice Lecture "Celebrate the Women"*
- Sun Mar 10 New Member Sunday (Sanctuary) 10:30 AM  
*Sign-up at [www.allendaleumc.org/join](http://www.allendaleumc.org/join)*
- Sat Mar 30 Easter Egg Hunt (Allendale) 10 AM
- Sun Mar 31 Easter Sunrise at Crescent Lake 7 AM, Easter at Allendale 10:30 AM
- Sun Apr 7 Drag Queen led Gospel Worship Service (Sanctuary) 10:30 AM
- Sat Jun 22 Allendale Marching in St. Pete Pride Parade
- October Allendale 100th Anniversary Open House
- October 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:

**HILLARY DALEY** (she/her/hers) originally came from Baltimore, MD, and relocated to St. Petersburg with her wife and their pug in 2020. Since then, Hillary and her partner have become homeowners, adopted a second dog, and grown in their faith. Allendale and it's members have helped Hillary establish a community that embraces her intersectionality.

### TODAY'S MUSICIANS:

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

### LENT DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET:

This season, a digital devotional booklet is available if you wish to dive deeper into the music, poetry, commentary, and artwork from this series.



*For the Wandering Heart digital devotional booklet, Scan this code with your phone's camera or visit [www.allendaleumc.org/lent](http://www.allendaleumc.org/lent)*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS:

Bring non-perishable items to Allendale for distribution to area food pantries, some of which are critically low. Collection bins are located in the Kitchen or Narthex. Some suggested items include cereal, peanut butter, powdered milk, cans with pull tabs. Sponsored by United Women in Faith.

### WEEKLY WEDNESDAY PEACE VIGIL:

Each Wednesday during lent, there will be a vigil for peace from 4-5 PM at the corner of 34th Street and 22nd Ave N. The vigil is calling for a cease-fire and affirming that Palestinians and Israelis share a right to live. *Contact John Stewart [sjstew@gte.net](mailto:sjstew@gte.net).*

### NO HATE RADIO:

The first three episodes of the podcast hosted by Don Windle called "No Hate Radio" are now available, including an interview with Dr. Raymond Arseneault, civil rights historian and author of **John Lewis: In Search of the Beloved Community**. *Find us on Apple Podcasts or Spotify by visiting [www.nohateradio.com](http://www.nohateradio.com). Share suggestions for future topics by calling the No Hate Radio Hotline: (442) 4-NO-HATE.*

# STEWARDSHIP

## PRAYERS

**Donna Baxla:** lung cancer treatments  
**Dan Leeper:** cancer treatments  
**Karen Welling:** health issues  
**Eunice Fisher:** health issues  
**Steven Geis:** brother Glenn's cancer treatments

## BIRTHDAYS:

Erica George	Feb 26
Mallory Edghill	Mar 4
Deborah Eldred	Mar 6
Donna Baxla	Mar 7
Becky Stoops	Mar 11
Alisha Adrian	Mar 12
Judy Collins	Mar 15
Nick Carey	Mar 16
Jeannine Smith	Mar 17
Rita DeVore	Mar 18
Donna Spear	Mar 18
Emily Sands	Mar 24

*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: 88 in-person, 198 online  
*Livestream:* [www.allendaleumc.org/online](http://www.allendaleumc.org/online)

## WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?

The next opportunity:  
Sun Mar 10 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

## WITNESS



## RESCUE ME:

I'd rather not need rescue.  
I'd prefer a five-step plan  
and a quick-fix solution.  
I'd prefer stubborn insistence  
over honest vulnerability,  
because rescue requires  
asking for help.  
Rescue names  
the rising water.  
Rescue sees  
the tired, treading feet.  
Rescue feels  
the swell of the wind  
and the rain at a slant.  
But when the floor falls out  
and the world is on fire  
and my small hands  
cannot fix the hurt welling in me,  
the prayer that slips out  
is *rescue*  
*rescue*  
*rescue me.*



Poem by Rev. Sarah A. Speed | A Sanctified Art LLC

## 100 YEARS OF ALLENDALE



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

# SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

**Wandering  
Heart**

**“Rescue me  
from danger”**

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

*Return To You* |Speed, Olgun|

**WELCOME** ..... Rev. Andy Oliver

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**SONG** ..... Allendale Band

*Come As You Are* |Crowder|

**CALL TO WORSHIP & AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** ..... Hillary Daley

**SONG** ..... Allendale Band

*A Candle is Extinguished* |Oliver, Hassler|

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION & WORDS OF FORGIVENESS** ..... Rev. David Franks

*Lord's Prayer* |Miller|

**TIME WITH CHILDREN** ..... Theresa Frost

**100 YEARS OF ALLENDALE** ..... Amy Mormino

**OFFERING** ..... Congregation

*Wade In The Water* |African American Spiritual|

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**POEM** ..... Aiden Daly

*Rescue Me* |Rev. Sarah Speed|

**SONG** ..... Allendale Band

*Into The Waters* |Strickland, Crüger|

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION & SCRIPTURE** ..... Hillary Daley

*Matthew 14:22-33*

**SERMON** ..... Rev. Andy Oliver

**SONG** ..... Allendale Band

*We're Gonna Be Alright* |Switchfoot|

**CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY** ..... Theresa Frost

**BENEDICTION** ..... Hillary Daley

**POSTLUDE** ..... Allendale Band



"Lift Off" by Rev. Nicolette Peñaranda

### **MATTHEW 14:22-33**

This is a moving piece that is meant to tell a story in any direction it is turned. Like the theme of this series, the viewer should feel like they are on a journey with Peter. "Lift Off" is intentionally dark with beautiful highlights of color and sparkle.

It is because of the darkness that the colors shine bright. These two things are complimentary, not contrasting. The fear that entered Peter with the wind was most likely heightened because it was dark out. Without knowing exactly what was around him, Peter became vulnerable, thus causing him to reach out. The wonder of darkness exposes us and invites us to seek connection.

Rev. Nicolette Peñaranda has incorporated many Adinkra symbols from the Gyaman people of Ghana and Côte d'Ivoire into her art. Learn more about their meanings and significance at [adinkrasymbols.org](http://adinkrasymbols.org).

#### "WANDERING HEART"

Theme, Liturgy, and Images from *The Sanctified Art*

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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 Feb 25**

9 AM Grief Support Group (Wesley)

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

5 PM Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman)

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

### **Mon Feb 26**

5:30 PM Community Qi Gong (CC)

6 PM Scripture Class (Zoom)

6 PM Social Justice Team (Hybrid)

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

7 PM Suncoast Gay Square Dancing (CC)

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin & Tubman)

### **Tue Feb 27**

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

### **Wed Feb 28**

11 AM Co-working Space open House

5 PM Dinner at Allendale (Community Center)

6 PM Classes

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Rustin)

### **Thu Feb 29**

9 AM Chit Chat (Zoom)

6:30 PM Suncoast Gay Square Dancing (CC)

7 PM AA Home Group (Bill W.)

### **Fri Mar 1**

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

8 PM AA Go After Your Sobriety (Rustin)

### **Sat Mar 2**

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

### **Sun Mar 3**

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

5 PM Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman)

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

## DINNER MENU

### **Wed Feb 28**

Baked Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Italian

Green Beans, Bread, Peach Blueberry Cobbler

## ONGOING CLASSES

Grief Support Group - Sun 2/25 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*