



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-Wed 9-5, Thu 10-4*

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.

1924-2024 Celebrating 100 years of ministry!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 17-21 Inclusive Vacation Bible School - "Just Like Me"
- Sat Jun 22 Allendale Marching in St. Pete Pride Parade
- Tue Jun 25 Tombolo Books Queer and Fearless w/ special guests 7 PM (Sanctuary)
- Tue Jul 2 Tombolo Books 60th Anniversary of Civil Rights Act 7 PM (Sanctuary)
- July 8-13 Youth at Warren Willis Camp for Summer Camp
- Sat Aug 17 Discernment for Deaconesses and Home Missioners
- Sat Oct 12 Allendale 100th Anniversary Open House
- Sun Oct 13 Allendale 100th Anniversary Homecoming

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

WORSHIP NOTES

TODAY'S LITURGIST:

KIRSTEN ANDERSON (she/her/hers) Kirsten is a social justice lawyer and poet. She has served on senior leadership teams of non-profit civil and human rights organizations. Kirsten was interviewed by Allendale's Don Windle for the March 16 episode of the No Hate Radio podcast to discuss her career advancing the legal rights of people experiencing homelessness. She is a founding member of the national "Housing, not Handcuffs" campaign to end the criminalization of homelessness.

TODAY'S MUSICIANS:

piano - Tru Mizzell
vocals - Beth Heisel
vocals - Erica George

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

ONGOING CLASSES

Grief Support Group - Sun 6/2 at 9 AM
This class meets every other Sunday

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

Wednesday Night Classes - Wed at 6 PM
Dinner starts at 5 PM, followed by Classes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DRAG BINGO NIGHT:

Join us on Wed May 29 at 6 PM in the Community Center for our monthly Drag Bingo Night featuring Candy Von Sparkle, Bitsy St. Claire and others for a Disney themed night! 10 Games/\$15 Donation. Proceeds benefit Rose Dynasty Foundation and our unhoused fund. Please bring a small, wrapped, white elephant gift.

JUST LIKE ME VBS- JUNE 17-21:

We learn to love our earth and delight in God as creator, redeemer, and sustainer of all things at a week-long Vacation Bible School. Come and join us in the garden as we celebrate who we are, learn how to use our voice, and share our gifts with our community! *Learn more and register: www.allendaleumc.org/vbs*

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS:

The United Women in Faith are continuing their collection of non-perishable food for local food pantries. Cereal, pasta, canned fruit and beans with tabs, and spaghetti sauce (no glass) are especially welcome! Collection bins are in the Kitchen and Narthex outside the Sanctuary.

NO HATE RADIO:

Our podcast hosted by Don Windle called "No Hate Radio" is now available! *Listen on your favorite podcast app by searching for No Hate Radio or visit www.nohateradio.com.*

STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS

Donna Baxla: lung cancer treatments

Dan Leeper: cancer treatments

Karen Welling: health issues

Eunice Fisher: health issues

BIRTHDAYS:

Chris Marks May 28

Ginger Holton Jun 6

Greg Brecht Jun 11

Erin Giblin Jun 12

David Franks Jun 14

Joshua Nikkel Jun 14

Jackie Hunter Jun 17

Don Windle Jun 25

Elise DeVinney Jun 26

Hillary Van Dyke Jun 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/counseling

PRESENCE

Previous Sunday: 107 in-person, 431 online

Livestream: www.allendaleumc.org/online

WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?

The next opportunity:

Sun June 9 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

DISCERNING A MINISTRY ROLE:

Save the date for Saturday, August 17 for a special day of discernment with Deaconess Megan Hale. Deaconesses and Home Missioners are laypeople who are called by God to be in a lifetime relationship in The United Methodist Church for engagement with a full-time vocation in ministries of love, justice, and service. Together they: alleviate suffering, eradicate causes of injustice and all that robs life of dignity and worth, facilitate the development of full human potential, and share in the building global community through the church universal. This is for those curious and seeking to serve the church more intentionally as a layperson. *Learn more at www.allendaleumc.org/dhm*

WESLEY WORKS DIGITIZATION PROJECT:

Allendale's very own Michelle Taylor has been working on an important project based on the founder of the Methodist movement, John Wesley.

The Wesley Works Editorial Project is a long-term scholarly endeavor to digitize and edit the complete works of John Wesley. This project, which has been running for 60 years, aims to create a comprehensive digital archive of Wesley's writings. It involves meticulous scholarly editing to ensure accuracy and accessibility of these texts for digital publication.

Michelle Taylor was approached to contribute to this project due to her background in digital humanities and her experience in preparing religious scholarly texts for digital publication. As "*Director of the Digitization Project*," Her role in the project involves overseeing the digitization and scholarly editing of these works. This opportunity allows her to unite her academic interests with her professional skills, fulfilling a significant scholarly and personal aspiration. *See the work-in progress at www.allendaleumc.org/wesleyworks*

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 Allendale Band
Unwritten |Bedingfield|

WELCOME Rev. Andy Oliver
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SONG Allendale Band
Holy, Holy, Holy, Love Now Ascending |Burklo|

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER Kirsten Anderson

SONG Allendale Band
Beautiful Things |Gungor|

TIME WITH CHILDREN Rev. Andy Oliver

100 YEARS OF ALLENDALE Amy Mormino

OFFERING Congregation
Another World |Meyer|
give online at www.allendaleumc.org/give

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Kirsten Anderson

SONG Allendale Band
First Things First |Ward, Hess, Bias|

SCRIPTURE Kirsten Anderson
John 3:1-12, 16-17

HOMILY Rev. Andy Oliver

TESTIMONY Zachary Sawyer, Brayden Staley, Demysa Dosela

SONG Allendale Band
Graves Into Gardens |Lake, Brown, Furtick, Hammer|

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY Rev. Andy Oliver, Sabrina Bousbar

BENEDICTION Kirsten Anderson

POSTLUDE Allendale Band
Unwritten |Bedingfield|



JOHN 3:1-12, 16-17

Ours is a God of transformation. Marvelous and wondrous works all become possible with divine power among us. Nature and the cosmos alike respond to the will of Freedom and Truth. Those who take their rightful place of power as children of God move differently, speak differently, think differently as if we have been reborn. Creator allows us to reemerge again and again with newness through which life bursts forth from stagnation. It is our knowing that divinity is incarnated that draws us into cooperation with the risky way of righteousness. It is our trust in ourselves over institutions and ill-gotten gains that compels us into practicing paradise in the dystopia. We are reborn for this.

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Liturgy from Enfleshed (portions adapted by Allendale)

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Bill Lee | Organist

Theresa Frost | Youth

Michaela George, 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 May 26

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

5 PM Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman)

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

Mon May 27

6 PM Scripture Class (Zoom)

6 PM CoDA Anonymous (Wesley)

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

7 PM Suncoast Gay Square Dancing (CC)

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Tubman)

Tue May 28

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

7 PM Regardless Of... NA (Tubman)

Wed May 29

5 PM Dinner at Allendale (Community Center)

6 PM Drag Bingo (CC)

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Tubman)

Thu May 30

6:30 PM Suncoast Gay Square Dancing (CC)

7 PM AA Home Group (Bill W.)

Fri May 31

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

8 PM AA Go After Your Sobriety (Tubman)

Sat Jun 1

9 AM Overeaters Anonymous (Wesley)

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

Sun Jun 2

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)

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 May 29

Build your own Chef Salad, Fresh Fruit
Vegetable Fried Rice, Dessert