



ALLENDALE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

JUNE 9, 2024

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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
- Aug 16-18 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:

DOROTHEA HECHT (she/her/hers) has a B.A. in Business Administration from USF, her J.D. from Stetson University College of Law, and her Master of Divinity from Candler School of Theology at Emory University. She is presently a legal aid attorney serving on the Florida Senior Legal Helpline. Dorothea is a passionate advocate, activist, and agitator for justice, and is thrilled to serve our community at large as an Evara Health Board Member. Dorothea is grateful and blessed to be the mother of a daughter, and four sons, and a grandmama to five grandchildren.

TODAY'S MUSICIANS:

piano - Tru Mizzell
guitar/vocals - Dylan Dames

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

NEW BABY!:

The rosebud on the altar today honors baby Oliver born on May 26, 2024, to Lettie and Andrew. Their first big-eating bundle of joy arrived at 7 lbs, 2 oz. Allendale's congratulations and blessings go to the entire family on this happy occasion!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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. *Visit: www.allendaleumc.org/vbs*

5 KEYS TO END GUN VIOLENCE:

This Wed night, we will have an enlightening training session focused on gun violence and its profound impact on our community. This event aims to delve into crucial topics such as the influence of alcohol, drugs, and the 'no snitching' culture on community violence. *RSVP www.allendaleumc.org/dinner*

DISCERNING A MINISTRY ROLE:

Join us on August 16-18 for a special discernment event. Deaconesses and Home Missioners are laypeople called by God to serve in ministries of love, justice, and service within the UMC. They work to alleviate suffering, fight injustice, and build global community. This event is for those interested in serving the church more intentionally as laypeople. *Learn more and register at www.allendaleumc.org/dhm.*

TOMBOLO BOOKS QUEER AND FEARLESS:

You are invited, Tue Jun 25 at 7 PM in the Sanctuary, for a night of community, poetry, and queer joy! We are celebrating local author Rob Sanders and his beautiful new non-fiction picture book, *Queer and Fearless!* RSVP at www.tombolobooks.com

STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS

Dasgoswami Family: *Welcome baby Oliver, born to Lettie and Andrew on May 26, 2024. Congratulations!*

Donna Baxla: lung cancer treatments

Dan Leeper: cancer treatments

Karen Welling: health issues

Eunice Fisher: health issues

BIRTHDAYS:

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: 111 in-person, 360 online

Livestream: www.allendaleumc.org/online

WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?

The next opportunity:

Sun July 14 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

OUR 2024 PRIDE T-SHIRT:

Celebrate the boundless love and inclusivity of Jesus with our "Drag Queen Jesus: Sacred Heart of Love" t-shirt. This striking design features a vibrant depiction of Jesus in drag, adorned in a white robe with fiery rainbow hair, a halo, and a crown. This shirt is more than just a piece of clothing; it's a statement of love, acceptance, and the radical hospitality that defines our faith. This shirt affirms the dignity and humanity of drag queens, especially in a time when their rights and existence are being challenged.



In a world where drag queens face hatred, bullying, and legislative attacks, this shirt declares that Jesus is right there with them, offering mercy, love, and healing. We stand with marginalized communities, including drag queens, who reflect the living Christ in their resilience, joy, and grace.

Pick up your shirt at the table in the back of the Sanctuary or online at www.allendaleumc.org/shirts

ONGOING CLASSES

Grief Support Group - 6/16 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

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
To God Be the Glory |Doane|

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SONG Allendale Band
O God In Your Love |Gillette|

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER Dorothea Hecht

SONG Allendale Band
For Everyone Born |Murray, Mann|

TIME WITH CHILDREN Rev. Andy Oliver

OFFERING Congregation
I Am Light |Arie|
give online at www.allendaleumc.org/give

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Dorothea Hecht

SONG Mark Miller
Crazy |Barkley, Green|

SCRIPTURE Dorothea Hecht
Mark 3:20-35

SERMON Rev. Andy Oliver

SONG Allendale Band
Who You Say We Are |Lindsay, Gill, Wahlström, Housworth|

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS Congregation

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY Rev. Andy Oliver

BENEDICTION Dorothea Hecht

POSTLUDE Bill Lee
Postulde in Eb |Marsh|



MARK 3:20-35

We know that doubt and skepticism can play major roles in our lives as they can in our scriptural texts. We are shown vignettes and portrayals of incredibly strong communities grappling with how to find truth in thick vapor of uncertainty. Certainty doesn't always have to be our goal. Perhaps truth is something that transcends certainty. Perhaps where we think ourselves most secure is really where we can exercise the most control.

When we join together, voicing our doubts and uncertainties in community, we can become a force of solidarity strong enough to topple empires. We can become feared by the powerful that have terrorized us. Our questions are not antithetical to justice.

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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 Jun 9

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

5 PM Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman)

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

Mon Jun 10

6 PM Scripture Class (Zoom)

6 PM CoDA Anonymous (Wesley)

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

7 PM Suncoast Gay Square Dancing (CC)

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Tubman)

Tue Jun 11

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

7 PM Regardless Of... NA (Tubman)

Wed Jun 12

5 PM Dinner at Allendale (Community Center)

6 PM Quis For Life Training (CC)

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Tubman)

Thu Jun 13

9:30 AM AA A Work in Progress (Bill W.)

6 PM AA Recovery Dharma (Rustin)

6:30 PM Suncoast Gay Square Dancing (CC)

7 PM AA Home Group (Bill W.)

Fri Jun 14

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

8 PM AA Go After Your Sobriety (Tubman)

Sat Jun 15

9 AM Overeaters Anonymous (Wesley)

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

Sun Jun 16

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 Jun 12

Chicken and Yellow Rice, Black Beans, Peas.

Collard Green, Cornbread, Brownies