



# ALLENDALE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

AUGUST 4, 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 9-4, 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](http://www.allendaleumc.org/online).

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

# UPCOMING EVENTS

- Thu Aug 8 Palestinian Documentary Screening (Wesley) 7 PM
- Sun Aug 11 Stroll to the Polls (Allendale) 12 PM
- Aug 16-18 Discernment for Deaconesses and Home Missioners  
*learn more at [www.allendaleumc.org/dhm](http://www.allendaleumc.org/dhm)*
- Sep 14 & 28 Allendale Clean-Up Work Days - Help prepare for our anniversary - 8 AM
- 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](http://www.allendaleumc.org/events)*

## WORSHIP NOTES

### TODAY'S LITURGIST:

**GAIL GILLIS** (she/her/hers) and husband Greg retired to Seminole in February, drawn by the beautiful beaches and bicycling trails. Gail was the first House Manager of Nashville's Ronald McDonald House. This deeply moving work led her to pursue nursing. She earned her BSN from Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, TN; and recently retired from AdventHealth after a career in med-surg, hospice and emergency nursing. Gail is a board director and team nurse for the Carolina Honduras Health Foundation, which provides free medical care to Hondurans living in the Department of Colon, Honduras. Gail enjoys family time, reading and travel.

### TODAY'S MUSICIANS:

piano - Tru Mizzell

guitar/vocals - Dylan Dames

vocals - Beth Heisel

*Join our band or choir: [tru@allendaleumc.org](mailto:tru@allendaleumc.org)*

### COMMUNION PREPARERS:

Pam Green and Sheila Stewart

### COMMUNION SERVERS:

Joe Ventimiglia, Russ Lehman, Amy Mormino, Mark Frederick, Deborah Eldred, Gina Gibbs, Greg Gillis, Pam Green

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### STROLL TO THE POLLS:

Join citizens from all over the Tampa Bay area on Sunday, August 11 for Stroll to the Polls - a celebration of our right to vote! Meet at Allendale UMC at noon for music and refreshments. At 12:20, we stroll with our mail-in ballots along Haines Road to a US Post Office to promote safe and secure mail-in voting for the August 20 Primary. We will also review the ways to check that our ballots were received and counted on the Pinellas Supervisor of Elections website. Bring your mail-in ballots! Let's vote early together! *For more information:* (727) 492-1590.

### 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](http://www.allendaleumc.org/dhm).*

### BUS RIDES TO CHURCH:

We want to ensure everyone has a way to get to worship at Allendale. If you are interested in driving the church bus, visit: [www.allendaleumc.org/drive](http://www.allendaleumc.org/drive). If you or someone you know would benefit from a ride to church: [www.allendaleumc.org/ride](http://www.allendaleumc.org/ride). Or call the church office: 727-527-6694

# STEWARDSHIP

## PRAYERS

**Donna Baxla:** lung cancer treatments

**Dan Leeper:** cancer treatments

**Karen Welling:** health issues

**Eunice Fisher:** health issues

### BIRTHDAYS:

|                |        |
|----------------|--------|
| Bill Lee       | Aug 7  |
| Bob Wallace    | Aug 7  |
| Sheila Stewart | Aug 18 |
| Will Redlow    | Aug 19 |
| Sarah Brownell | Aug 27 |
| Todd Spear     | Aug 27 |
| Jenny Connor   | Aug 29 |
| David Smith    | Aug 29 |

*Birthdays 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: 86 in-person, 419 online  
*Livestream: [www.allendaleumc.org/online](http://www.allendaleumc.org/online)*

### WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?

The next opportunity:

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

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

### TOURS OF THE ALLENDALE UMC CAMPUS:

Learn all about Allendale on one of our campus tours. Join us after Worship every 2nd and 4th Sunday beginning Aug 11.

## GIFTS

**Give online: [www.allendaleumc.org/give](http://www.allendaleumc.org/give)**  
**Text-to-give: Text amount to 727-312-0808**  
**Buy a shirt: [www.allendaleumc.org/shirts](http://www.allendaleumc.org/shirts)**

## WITNESS

### NOMINATIONS:

Allendale depends on different types of people to use their gifts to serve to make us a better community. Consider self-nominating to serve on a leadership team for 2025. We have openings on our building & maintenance, personnel & staffing, finance & budget, and program & administration teams.

You do not have to be a church member to nominate yourself, but you would need to become a member of Allendale by the end of 2024 in order to serve on a committee.

Our leadership teams meet in the evening once every other month.

*Visit [www.allendaleumc.org/nominations](http://www.allendaleumc.org/nominations) to fill out your self-nomination before Aug 25*

### UPWARD! OUR FOCUS IN SEPTEMBER:

Upward! is a straightforward yet profound course on Wesleyanism designed for everyone. It gently and methodically guides us through the distinctive aspects of the Wesleyan tradition—its theology, practices, habits, and attitudes that shape the Methodist Church community.

We'll also learn more about John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist movement, and his brother, Charles Wesley, a hymn writer whose songs like "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today," "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing," and "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing," are still beloved to this day.

Paul W. Chilcote and Steve Harper, two highly respected teachers in Methodism, present this exceptional book as an invitation to embrace a life of wisdom and wonder in today's world. We'll be focusing on the lessons of this book in worship and classes during the month of September.



*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](http://www.allendaleumc.org/here) or by filling out the attendance pad in your row.

PRELUDE ..... Allendale Band  
*Evidence* | Baldwin|

WELCOME ..... Rev. Andy Oliver  
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SONG ..... Allendale Band  
*Woke Up This Morning with My Mind Stayed on Freedom* |Wesby|

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER ..... Gail Gillis

SONG ..... Allendale Band  
*One Love* |Marley|

TIME WITH CHILDREN ..... Rev. Andy Oliver

OFFERING ..... Congregation  
*Imagine* |Lennon|  
*give online at [www.allendaleumc.org/give](http://www.allendaleumc.org/give)*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION ..... Gail Gillis

SONG ..... Allendale Band  
*Great Is Thy Faithfulness* |Runyan, Chisholm|

SCRIPTURE ..... Gail Gillis  
*Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15*

SERMON ..... Rev. Andy Oliver

COMMUNION ..... Congregation  
*Promises* |Barnes|

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY ..... Rev. Andy Oliver

BENEDICTION ..... Gail Gillis

POSTLUDE ..... Allendale Band  
*Evidence* |Baldwin|



### **EXODUS 16:2-4, 9-15**

We don't always know how to keep the faith. It may seem like God is taking the scenic route. We may believe that God is choosing to answer everyone else's prayers first, and this can tempt us to take matters into our own hands. We may begin to devise our own schemes using our own power to get what we want. We may abuse our positions and misuse our influence to manifest our desires on our terms. Perhaps the answer was with us all along. Perhaps we can turn to one another for security we didn't think we had. Maybe the bread from heaven is coming from someone whose parents we know, and we just have to believe that we deserve it. Maybe we have provision and mercy to last the day and keep our hearts clean. Relying on the Divine doesn't mean we sit back, wait, and do nothing. Relying on the Divine means that we turn to our community to discuss how we'll get through.

*Image from Unsplash*

*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 Aug 4**

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

5 PM Crystal Meth Anon (Tubman)

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

### **Mon Aug 5**

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 Aug 6**

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

7 PM Regardless Of... NA (Tubman)

### **Wed Aug 7**

5 PM Dinner at Allendale (Community Center)

6 PM Filling out Postcards (Community Center)

8 PM AA Go After Sobriety (Tubman)

### **Thu Aug 8**

6 PM AA Recovery Dharma (Rustin)

6:30 PM Suncoast Gay Square Dancing (CC)

7 PM AA Home Group (Bill W.)

7 PM Palestinian Screening (Wesley)

### **Fri Aug 9**

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

8 PM AA Go After Your Sobriety (Tubman)

### **Sat Aug 10**

9 AM Overeaters Anonymous (Wesley)

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

### **Sun Aug 11**

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)

## ONGOING CLASSES

Grief Support Group - 8/11 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 Dinner & Classes

*Dinner at 5 PM, Classes at 6 PM*

## DINNER MENU

### **Wed Aug 7**

Glazed Pork Loin, Honey Sriracha Carrots,  
Roasted Potatoes, Salad, Dessert