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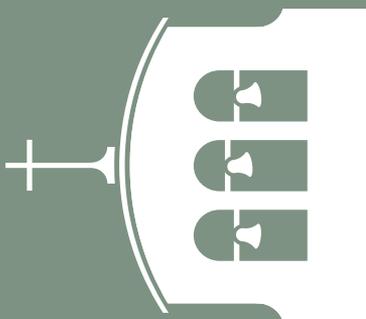
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ALLENDALE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



WELCOME

We are honored that you chose to worship with us today!

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-Thu 9-4

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.

ASL Interpretation is available during worship to help make our service more inclusive and accessible. *ASL Version of our worship livestream:* www.allendaleumc.org/asl

UPCOMING EVENTS

- June - July All-church book study: Wesleyan Vitality - Reclaiming the heart of Methodist Identity (Hybrid Room) Sundays 9-10 AM
- Jul 7-11 Vacation Bible School at Allendale - 9 AM-12 PM
- Tue Jul 8 Committee Meetings (Hybrid Room) Staff Parish 6 PM | Trustees 7 PM
- Thu Jul 10 Committee Meetings (Hybrid Room) Finance 6 PM | Church Council 7 PM
- Tue Jul 22 Social Justice Team Meeting (Community Center) 6 PM
- Aug 5-8 Youth Summer Bash

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

WORSHIP NOTES

TODAY'S SPEAKER:

REV. DAVID FRANKS (he/him/his) Today's service and the flowers on the altar honor Rev. David Franks for 50 years of ministry. As Allendale's Minister of Pastoral Support, David shares God's love through his care for our pastor, church family, and community. We give thanks for his compassion, encouragement, kindness, humor, and faithful service, and pray for continued blessings on his ministry.

TODAY'S LITURGIST:

ERICA GEORGE (she/they) is a Georgia native, but has lived in St Pete most of her life. She holds a Master of Social Work and currently works as a medical Social Worker in a hospital. She loves spoiling her cats, Cooper and Willow, Sunday brunches, taking her dog, Kira, to get treats at Three Dogs Bakery, and trying all kinds of coffee shops with her wife, Michaela. They serve Allendale as Chair of the Staff Parish Relations Committee, and sometimes you can also spot them singing or playing guitar on the Worship Band.

TODAY'S MUSICIANS:

piano - Tru Mizzell, guitar/vocals - Dylan Dames, vocals - Errol Johnston, drums - Curtis Roberts, organist - Bill Lee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOVINGKINDNESS VBS:

Tomorrow begins a week of joy, wonder, and connection as we welcome children into a space shaped by lovingkindness. From July 7-11, our sanctuary and classrooms will be filled with music, stories, crafts, and laughter. Please join us in praying for the kids, families, and volunteers who will experience and share God's love throughout the week. May this be a time of celebration, discovery, and deep belonging for all who walk through our doors.

ALLENDALE YOUNG ADULTS KICKOFF:

Wednesday, July 9 at 6 PM in the Community Center. Enjoy pizza and connect with other young adults in their 20s & 30s as we launch a new season together. *Questions? Contact Campbell or Taylor on the Allendale Young Adults Discord at allendaleumc.org/youngadults.*

ANTI-DEATH PENALTY VIGIL:

Michael Bell is scheduled for execution on Tuesday, July 15. Serious concerns remain about the fairness of his trial, including recanted witness testimony and a flawed evidentiary hearing. A vigil will be held from 5-6 PM at the northwest corner of Ulmerton Road and 49th Street North in Clearwater, near the court and jail. Signs will be provided. *Visit fadp.org for a petition and info.*

STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS

BIRTHDAYS:

Eric Clark	Jul 13
Eve Nikkel	Jul 13
Honey Goudard	Jul 15
Tony Lewandowski	Jul 15
Kate Pravera	Jul 15
Nina Dauzet	Jul 16
Jim Bennett	Jul 17
Lynda Beltz	Jul 19

Birthdays missing? Please contact the office

CONNECT WITH A PASTOR:

Rev. Andy Oliver, Pastor

Office hours: Tue - Fri *make an appointment at www.allendaleumc.org/andy*

Rev. David Franks, Minister of Pastoral Support

Office hours: Tue 11-2 | Thu 4-7 *make an appointment at www.allendaleumc.org/david*

LICENSED THERAPISTS AND COUNSELORS:

available at Allendale's Counseling Center

Visit www.allendaleumc.org/counseling

PRESENCE

Previous Sunday: 127 in-person, 2,547 online

Live stream: www.allendaleumc.org/online

WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?

The next opportunity:

Sun Jul 13 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

Buy a shirt: www.allendaleumc.org/shirts



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

WITNESS

CANDLE OF PEACE, HOPE, AND JUSTICE:

In a spirit of solidarity, more than 50 Justice-Seeking congregations around the country are lighting a candle of Peace, Hope and Justice. This candle represents Christ's light shining even in the midst of barbed wire policies that wrap tighter each day.

Today, we light this candle, wrapped in barbed wire, for all Who Stand to Lose Their Medicaid and SNAP Benefits.

In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus commended those who fed the hungry, welcomed the stranger, and cared for the sick, and Jesus condemned those who did not. "Just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me."

We light this candle for all who are hungry and are poised not to be fed, and for all who are sick and are projected to lose access to the care they need because of legislation passed by the Senate earlier this week. We light this candle for the millions in Florida—over 3.6 million on Medicaid and 3.4 million on SNAP—now at risk of losing essential support because of decisions made by our lawmakers.

May God have mercy upon every Member of Congress who actively chose to increase military spending and provide tax cuts to the wealthiest people in our nation while limiting a child's access to food or an ill person's capacity to receive medical treatment that could save their life. May we be moved to build a future rooted not in fear or scarcity, but in compassion and collective care.

We light this candle proclaiming that the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has never overcome the light. May Jesus strengthen us to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves.

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 Organist Bill Lee

Fill Our Hearts With Love | Moore |

WELCOME & CANDLE OF PEACE, HOPE, AND JUSTICE Rev. David Franks

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SONG Allendale Band

All Are Welcome | Marty Haugen |

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER Erica George

SONG Allendale Band

Losing Vile-tality – Colonialism & Queerphobia | Andy Oliver |

VILE-TALITY READING Lynne Hensley

SONG Allendale Band

Pray With Our Feet | Paul Vasile |

TIME WITH CHILDREN Gina Gibbs

OFFERING Congregation

You Raise Me Up | Josh Groban |
give online at www.allendaleumc.org/give

PRAYER OF DEDICATION & SCRIPTURE READING Erica George

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

SONG Allendale Band

Be Thou My Vision | Ancient Irish Hymn |

SERMON Rev. David Franks

COMMUNION Congregation

SONG Allendale Band

At The Table, There's a Place for You | Cameron Helwege |

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY Congregation

BENEDICTION Erica George

POSTLUDE Organist Bill Lee

Hold Strong The Flags of Freedom | Hughes |



The burden of war is crushing. The burden of violence is more than anyone can handle alone. We gather so that we will not be crushed so easily. We praise the God of true peace that doesn't need bombs to maintain it. The peace that inspires a believer to welcome the stranger into intimate space. The peace that feeds people without expecting compensation. The peace that reciprocates instead of transacts. The peace that returns a captive girl to her family. The peace that doesn't need to pack a go bag. The peace that only knows "draft" to mean a breeze or a beautifully disorganized beginning. The peace that makes a joyful noise in all the earth... especially amongst the global majority.

*Liturgy from Enfleshed
(portions adapted by Allendale)*

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Campbell Horn, Dylan Dames | Youth Directors

Bill Lee | Organist

Maddie Johnson | Sign Language Interpreter

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 Jul 6

9 AM Wesleyan Vile-Tality Class (Hybrid)
10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Mon Jul 7

9 AM Vacation Bible School

Tue Jul 8

9 AM Vacation Bible School
3 PM Aging Group (Wesley)
6 PM Staff Parish (Hybrid)
7 PM Trustees (Hybrid)

Wed Jul 9

9 AM Vacation Bible School

Thu Jul 10

9 AM Vacation Bible School
6 PM Finance (Hybrid)
7 PM Church Council (Hybrid)

Fri Jul 11

9 AM Vacation Bible School

Sat Jul 12

Sun Jul 13

9 AM Grief Support Group (Wesley) 9 AM
9 AM Wesleyan Vile-Tality Class (Hybrid)
10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)
5:30 PM Youth Group

Recovery and Support Groups meet often at Allendale and are now listed on their own calendar: www.allendaleumc.org/recovery.

CLASSES & COMMUNITY

Grief Support Group- 7/13 at 9 AM
This group meets every other Sunday

Wesleyan Vile-Tality Group- Sun at 9 AM
7/13 Session 7: Ch 4 – The Vile Sustainers

Aging Group - Led by Gina Gibbs
In the Wesley Room - Tue at 3 PM
Classes run from Jun 3 - Jul 29

Scripture Class - Led by Pastor Andy
Virtual on Zoom - Mon at 6 PM
*On Summer Break - Will resume August 4
Join via Zoom: allendaleumc.org/mondayclass*

Young Adult Discord - Online Group
Join at www.allendaleumc.org/youngadults

Stand For Democracy -each Mon at 5 PM
NW corner of 22nd Ave N and 34th St N

Wednesday Night Dinner & Classes
On Summer Break - Will resume August 6.

Social Justice Team - 7/22 at 6 PM