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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 ability, 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

- Sat Oct 25 Trunk or Treat (West Parking Lot) 10 AM - 12 PM
- Sun Oct 26 Youth Sunday (Sanctuary) 10:30 AM - Youth leading worship
- Sun Nov 2 Charge Conference Lunch and Meeting following worship
- Nov 4-Dec 13 The Woodson Museum Christmas Toy Drive for local youth
- Fri Nov 7 Comedy Show - Sapphic St. Pete (Sanctuary) 7 PM
- Nov 9 & 16 United Women in Faith Pecan Sale (Sanctuary) 11:30 AM
- Tue Nov 18 Social Justice Team Meeting (Community Center) 6 PM
- Fri Dec 5 Gay Men's Chorus of Tampa Bay Christmas Concert (Sanctuary) 8 PM
- Wed Dec 10 Blue Christmas Service: *Keeping Vigil for Hope* (Sanctuary) 6 PM
- Fri Dec 12 Christmas Drag Bingo (Sanctuary) 6 PM
- Sat Dec 13 Brunch with Santa (Community Center) 10 AM
- Sun Dec 14 Christmas Choir Singing in Worship (Sanctuary) 10:30 AM
- Wed Dec 17 Impromptu Children's Christmas Pageant (Sanctuary) 6 PM
- Wed Dec 24 Christmas Eve Worship with Candlelight (Sanctuary) 6 PM
- Sun Dec 28 Christmas Gospel Drag Worship Service (Sanctuary) 10:30 AM

WORSHIP NOTES

TODAY'S LITURGIST:

JACOB HARRIS (he/him/his) is a lifelong resident of Pinellas County. He loves climbing rocks and trees, exploring literature (especially philosophy), and spending time with good friends, old and new.

TODAY'S MUSICIANS:

guitar/vocals - Dylan Dames
piano - Tru Mizzell
vocals - Shannon Tierney

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

NAMES FOR ALL SAINTS SUNDAY:

All Saints Sunday is November 2. To honor those important to you who have passed in the last year, submit their name and date of death at www.allendaleumc.org/saints to be remembered in worship.

NON-VIOLENT RESISTANCE CLASS:

Dr. Kate Pravera is continuing a class on nonviolent civil resistance and the power of love, Wednesdays at 6 PM in the Community Center, following 5 PM dinner.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALLENDALE'S TRUNK-OR-TREAT:

Trunk-or-treat is one of our annual family gatherings where kids dress up and go trick-or-treating in our parking lot. Trunk or treat will be Sat Oct 25 from 10 AM-12 PM. *If you'd like to decorate your trunk and hand out candy, register at www.allendaleumc.org/trunk. Let us know if you plan on attending as trick-or-treaters at www.allendaleumc.org/treat*

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH PECAN SALE:

United Women in Faith will hold their annual fall pecan sale on Sundays, November 9 and 16, after worship in the back of the Sanctuary. Proceeds support women, children, and youth.

PILATES CLASS:

In addition to Tai Chi and Yoga, Allendale UMC now offers a Pilates class led by Rahima Mamedova on Tuesdays at 2 PM in the Nursery. The class is currently designed for adults 50 and older and is free to attend—please bring a mat if you have one.

STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS

BIRTHDAYS:

Emmett Edghill	Oct 19
Theresa Baecher	Oct 21
Kay-lynn Taylor	Oct 24
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Theresa Baecher	Oct 21
Kay-lynn Taylor	Oct 24
LaDonna Hill	Nov 1
Carol Henderson	Nov 3
Lois Jablonski	Nov 4
Chris Fontaine	Nov 7
Rose Cervantes	Nov 11
Braeden Farrar	Nov 11
Claire Redmond	Nov 11
Trae Edghill -	Nov 16

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: 111 in-person, 1,063 online

Live stream: www.allendaleumc.org/online

WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?

The next opportunity:

Sun Nov 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

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 tighten each day.

When we hear what it was like among the earliest believers after the Holy Spirit came to them, we are told they were together and had all things in common. They would sell their possessions and share the proceeds amongst themselves so no one had any need.

From the beginning of the Christian movement, care for the entire community has been a central commitment, and as the government shutdown continues, the reality that people will go without their government assistance becomes more prevalent.

Today we light the Candle of Peace, Hope, and Justice

For mothers on WIC, who may not receive the support they need to provide food for their families,

For high school seniors trying to discern their ability to attend college who are unable to have their FAFSA processed,

For Medicare recipients, living away from their home state, who rely on telehealth services that are no longer available,

For small business owners, who are unable to receive their loans.

And for federal employees who continue to work or be furloughed without pay.

God in your mercy, soften the heart of every elected leader until they view every constituent as a beloved individual who is part of their community, and convict them to always value the good of the whole over political or economic gain.

We light this candle proclaiming the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. 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 Allendale Band
Don't Fight Alone |John Reddick|

WELCOME Rev. Andy Oliver
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CANDLE OF PEACE, HOPE, AND JUSTICE Congregation
O God, As Troubles Here Increase |Carolyn Winfrey Gillette|

SONG Allendale Band
Calling All Warriors |Dina Erie|

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER Jacob Harris

SONG Allendale Band
For Everyone Born |Shirley Erena Murray, Brian Mann|

TIME WITH CHILDREN Andy Oliver

OFFERING Congregation
Building Up A New World |Vincent Harding|
give online at www.allendaleumc.org/give

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Jacob Harris

SONG Allendale Band
Jesus, I Have My Doubts |Jon Foreman|

CHURCH-WIDE BOOK READING & SCRIPTURE READING Jacob Harris
Genesis 32:22-31

SERMON Rev. Andy Oliver

SONG Congregation
Your Hands |JJ Heller|

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY Congregation

BENEDICTION Jacob Harris

POSTLUDE Allendale Band
Don't Fight Alone |Jon Reddick|



How blessed we are to be in relationship with the God of change. We wrestle. We evolve. We become. No condition is fixed. Help is coming. Redemption comes for those who name their struggle against wrongdoers. Our Great Mother welcomes constructive conflict. She honors our struggle for what is right - for what Her children deserve. She, too, struggles on our behalf. Her breaths are the winds of change shifting the weather in our favor. Love need not predictability or certainty. Love needs space to expand and move freely. Love needs our sweat and energy spent on insisting that better days will come. As we love one another, Love is on our side.

*Liturgy from Enfleshed
(portions adapted by Allendale)*

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 Dylan Dames, Music and Organizing Associate | dylan@allendaleumc.org
 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 Oct 19

9 AM Adult Sunday School Class (Hybrid)
 9 AM Grief Support Group (Wesley)
 10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)
 6 PM Youth Group

Mon Oct 20

9 AM Tai Chi (Community Center)

Tue Oct 21

2 PM Pilates (Bill W/Nursery)

Wed Oct 22

10 AM Gentle Yoga (Bill W/Nursery)
 5 PM Dinner (Community Center)
 6 PM Classes (Community Center)

Thu Oct 23

9 AM Tai Chi (Community Center)

Fri Oct 24

Sat Oct 25

10 AM Trunk or Treat (West Parking Lot)

Sun Oct 26

9 AM Adult Sunday School Class (Hybrid)
 10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)
 6 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 - 10/19 & 11/2 at 9 AM
 This group meets every other Sunday

"For Such a Time As This - An Emergency Devotional" by Amy-Jill Levine

In-Person Adult Sunday School Class- Sun at 9 AM

Virtual Class via Zoom - Mon at 6 PM

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

Social Justice Team - 11/18 at 6 PM

United Women in Faith - 1st Mon at 6:30 PM

United Methodist Men/Non-Binary - 3rd Thu at 6 PM

Wednesday Night Dinner & Classes

Dinner at 5 PM and Classes at 6 PM

Class: "Non-Violent Resistance"

DINNER MENU

*Dinner is \$10 or whatever you can afford.
 Vegetarian or Vegan options always available.*

Wed Oct 22

Vegetable Beef Ragu, Roasted Baby Carrots,
 Salad, Bread, Dessert