



ALLENDALE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

NOVEMBER 9, 2025

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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

- Nov 9 & 16 United Women in Faith Pecan Sale (Sanctuary) 11:30 AM
- Wed Nov 12 Community Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner (Community Center) 5 PM
- Wed Nov 19 Community Healing Conversation (Community Center) 5 PM
- Thu Nov 20 Trans Day of Remembrance Procession to City Hall (330 5th St N) 6:30 PM
- Fri Dec 5 Gay Men's Chorus of Tampa Bay Christmas Concert (Sanctuary) 8 PM
- Fri Dec 12 Christmas Drag Bingo (Sanctuary) 6 PM
- Fri Dec 12 Still No Room in the Inn Caroling (100 Mirror Lake) 7 PM
- Sat Dec 13 Brunch with Santa (Community Center) 10 AM
- Sun Dec 14 Christmas Choir Singing in Worship (Sanctuary) 10:30 AM
- Tue Dec 16 Social Justice Team Meeting (Community Center) 6 PM
- Wed Dec 17 Impromptu Children's Christmas Pageant (Sanctuary) 6 PM
- Fri Dec 19 Annual Unhoused Memorial Service (100 Mirror Lake) 4:30 PM
- Sun Dec 21 Longest Night Solstice Service: *Keeping Vigil for Hope* (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

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

WORSHIP NOTES

TODAY'S LITURGIST:

LOIS JABLONSKI (she/her/hers) is a native Floridian. She has been an educator for 27 years and specializes in teaching reading and spelling to individuals who have dyslexia. Lois and her husband, Frank, have been married for 37 years. They enjoy traveling, hiking, and visiting with their grown children, Alex and Lois Marie..

TODAY'S MUSICIANS:

vocals - Erica George
piano - Tru Mizzell
organist - Bill Lee

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

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH PECAN SALE:

The Allendale United Women in Faith will be meeting at 6:30 PM on Monday, November 3. They will also hold their annual United Women in Faith Pecan Sale on Sundays, November 9 and 16, following worship.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMUNITY POTLUCK THANKSGIVING:

Join us for a Thanksgiving Potluck on Wed Nov 12 at 5 PM. If able, bring a side dish or dessert to share as we gather for a meal in the Community Center. All are welcome.

ANTI-DEATH PENALTY VIGIL:

Join FADP & Allendale for a vigil opposing the execution of Bryan Jennings on Thu Nov 13 from 5-6 PM, at Ulmerton Rd and 49th St N. Signs provided. *Petition and details at fadp.org*

COMMUNITY HEALING CONVERSATION:

Presented by Truth, Racial Healing, and Transformation (TRHT) Center. This free event will focus on "Finding Our Shared Humanity Across Identities." Wed Nov 19, 5PM

HARRY POTTER AND THE CURSED CHILD:

Sam Wyness and his father, Paul, will perform in *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child* at Canterbury School of Florida (990 62nd Ave. NE). Showtimes are 7 PM Fri Nov 14, and 2 PM and 7 PM Sat Nov 15.
Tickets: canterbury.booktix.com

STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS

Tony Lewandowski: broken hip

BIRTHDAYS:

Rose Cervantes	Nov 11
Braeden Farrar	Nov 11
Claire Redmond	Nov 11
Trae Edghill	Nov 16
Midge Mitchell	Nov 22
Mark Morrison	Nov 27
Maresi Brown	Nov 28
Jen Clark	Nov 29

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: 121 in-person, 612 online

Live stream: www.allendaleumc.org/online

WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?

The next opportunities:

Sun Nov 9 & Dec 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

Buy a shirt: www.allendaleumc.org/shirts



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

WITNESS

WHO WRITES OUR LITURGY?:

Almost every week, Allendale follows the Revised Common Lectionary—a three-year cycle of scripture readings used by churches around the world. Our liturgy, sermon themes, and worship planning draw from *Enfleshed: Liturgy that Matters*, a lectionary-based resource offering prayers, reflections, and commentary that connect faith with the justice issues and events shaping our world today. We're grateful for the diverse voices and lived experiences of the writers who create *Enfleshed*. This week's writers:



Rev. Molly Bolton (she/they) is a spiritual director, hospital chaplain, and poet living in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina. She uses poetry as a tool for liberative spiritual care in clinical and community settings. Molly holds a Master of Divinity from Wake Forest and is ordained in the United Church of Christ. She loves mountain hikes, feminist romance novels, and porches with friends.



Casey Overton (she/they) is a radical faith-rooted strategist and spiritual activist committed to cultivating healing and restorative communities. As National Coordinator for Tikkun Magazine's Network of Spiritual Progressives, they engage in interfaith dialogue and support those marginalized in faith spaces. Casey is also a poet, nap-taker, and movement chaplain-in-training, holding degrees from Hampton University and Duke University. She hails from increasingly black, middle-class suburbs in the stolen Appamattuck and Arrohatoc lands outside of Richmond, VA.

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
A Mighty Fortress is Our God |Mansfield|

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CANDLE OF PEACE, HOPE, AND JUSTICE Congregation

SONG Allendale Band
I Won't Back Down |Tom Petty|

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER Lois Jablonski

SONG Allendale Band
Awake My Soul |Mumford and Sons|

TIME WITH CHILDREN Rev. Andy Oliver

OFFERING Congregation
We Are One in the Struggle |Jorge Lockward, Katie Reimer, Peter Scholtes|
give online at www.allendaleumc.org/give

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Lois Jablonski

SONG Allendale Band
Imagine |John Lennon|

CHURCH-WIDE BOOK READING & SCRIPTURE READING Lois Jablonski
Mark 12:38-44

SERMON Participants of the Non-Violent Resistance Class

SONG Congregation
God Has Work For Us To Do |Mark Miller, Carl Daw Jr.|

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS Congregation

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY Congregation

BENEDICTION Lois Jablonski

POSTLUDE Organist Bill Lee
Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart |Ritter|



We are inspired to think beyond the lifetimes of the institutions and securities we hold dear. We are wise to keep either blood and/or chosen family close for when the structures we relied on too heavily begin to falter.

What is humanmade is fallible and finite, but what Creator inhabits can sustain us for generations. We praise a God who is more present in anthills than legislatures. We praise a Creator more creative in dandelion seeds than doctoral programs. We serve a Savior who shows more strength in the flea market than the fine art auction. We don't have to do this the way it's been done. In fact, we better not if we want to live. May we live into otherwise, even if that may place us at odds with convention.

*Liturgy from Enfleshed
(portions adapted by Allendale)*

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Tru Mizzell, Director of Music Development | tru@allendaleumc.org

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 Nov 9

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

Mon Nov 10

9 AM Tai Chi (Community Center)

Tue Nov 11

2 PM Pilates (Bill W/Nursery)

Wed Nov 12

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

Thu Nov 13

9 AM Tai Chi (Community Center)

Fri Nov 14

Sat Nov 15

Sun Nov 16

9 AM Grief Support Group (Wesley)
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 - 11/16 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 4 PM
NW corner of 22nd Ave N and 34th St N

Social Justice Team - 12/16 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

WEDNESDAY DINNER

Vegetarian or Vegan options always available.

Community Potluck on Wed Nov 12. Allendale will provide turkey and ham. Bring a dish to share or just bring yourself!

Wednesday Night Dinners will take a break after the Community Potluck on Nov 12. Meals will continue in January 2026.