



ALLENDALE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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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 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

- Mon Jan 19 The Power of a Dream! 39th Annual St Pete MLK Parade (1st Ave S) 11 AM
- Wed Jan 21 Wednesday Night Dinners (Community Center) 5 PM *(Every Wednesday)*
- Sat Jan 24 Loud & Loved an LGBTQ+ Social (Sanctuary) 11 AM
- Fri Jan 30 Drag Bingo at Allendale benefitting PFLAG (Sanctuary) 6 PM
- Sun Feb 8 Chili-Cook-Off and Superbowl Party (Community Center)
- Wed Feb 18 Ash Wednesday Service (Sanctuary) 6 PM
- Thu Apr 2 Maundy Thursday Service (Sanctuary) 6 PM
- Fri Apr 3 Good Friday Service 12 PM
- Sat Apr 4 Easter Egg Hunt 10 AM
- Sun Apr 5 Easter Sunrise at Crescent Lake Park 7 AM
Easter Service with Choir (Sanctuary) 10:30 AM
- Sun Apr 12 Easter Drag-led Worship Service (Sanctuary) 10:30 AM

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

WORSHIP NOTES

TODAY'S GUEST PREACHER:

REV. A. LEON TREDWELL, PHD is a scholar and pastor whose work centers on the intersections of race, class, gender, sexuality, and Scripture. He holds degrees from Concordia College, United Theological Seminary, and a PhD from the University of Denver/Iliff School of Theology focused on Religion and Social Change. His career spans international business, government, and community development. He has also served congregations in Minnesota, Texas, and Maryland.

TODAY'S LITURGIST:

KIRSTEN ANDERSON (she/her/hers) is a social justice lawyer, writer and poet. She is a senior leader at a national non-profit organization where she leads a team of lawyers focused on advancing racial and economic justice across the Deep South.

TODAY'S MUSICIANS:

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

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

QUEERNESS, LEADERSHIP & THE BOOK OF JEREMIAH:

Rev. A. Leon Tredwell, PhD, invites members and allies of Allendale United Methodist Church to a six-week study exploring Queer leadership through the book of Jeremiah. Using **Black, Queer and Blessed** by Dr. Lee as the primary text, the class meets Wednesdays, Jan 21–Feb 11, Feb 25, and Mar 5, at 6 PM in the Community Center.

WHAT IS A BAD BUNNY?:

Kirsten Anderson will lead a class, *"What Is a Bad Bunny: Songs of Puerto Rican Joy and Resistencia"* on Wednesday, Feb 4, in the Hybrid Room exploring the cultural context and messaging in Bad Bunny's music ahead of his Super Bowl halftime show. *This class will be in person and on Zoom at www.allendaleumc.org/badbunny*

CHILI COOK OFF AND WATCH PARTY:

Join us Sunday, Feb 8, at 6 PM for a chili cook-off and Super Bowl LX watch party. Sample a variety of chili, enjoy the game and commercials, and conclude the evening with the Halftime Show. No RSVP needed to attend; *sign up to bring chili at www.allendaleumc.org/chili.*

STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS

BIRTHDAYS:

Edward Miller	Jan 18
Bee Hopwood	Jan 21
Jojo Hunt Glasscock	Jan 23
Tara Davidson	Jan 29
Cindy Burns	Jan 31
David Preston	Feb 8

Birthday 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,
is on sabbatical. He will return March 1.

LICENSED THERAPISTS AND COUNSELORS:

available at Allendale's Counseling Center
Visit www.allendaleumc.org/counseling

PRESENCE

Previous Sunday: 118 in-person, 886 online
Live stream: www.allendaleumc.org/online

WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?

The next opportunities:

Sun Feb 8 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

THE FAITH WE SING:

Hymns carry our faith in language that has traveled with us across generations—words we learned by heart before we could fully explain them, and lines that still find us when we need them most. In this worship series, The Faith We Sing, we slow down and listen closely to the poetry that has shaped our prayers, our hope, and our courage. Each week, we'll take a familiar hymn and explore how its words speak to our lives today, especially when faith feels fragile or hard-won.

Week 1 (1/11): Liberation Proclaimed
O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing
by Charles Wesley

Week 2 (1/18): Liberation Endured
Precious Lord, Take My Hand
by Thomas A Dorsey

Week 3 (1/25): Liberation Widened Beyond
Borders and Flags
This Is My Song
by Lloyd Stone & Georgia Harkness

Week 4 (2/1): Liberation Held
O Love That Will Not Let Me Go
by George Matheson
arr. Elaine Hagenberg

Week 5 (2/8): Liberation Practiced
La Lucha
by Mark A. Miller
with Rev. Dr. Lydia Muñoz

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW YEAR, NEW BOOK STUDY: We are continuing our new book study on Sunday mornings at 9 AM and Monday nights at 6 PM. Together we are reading "*Grace Can Lead Us Home: A Christian Call to End Homelessness*" by Kevin Nye. Join via Zoom for Monday night class: www.allendaleumc.org/mondayclass.

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
The Journey | H.E.R. |

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SONG Allendale Band
Woke Up This Morning with My Mind Stayed on Freedom | Rev. Robert Wesby |

CALL TO WORSHIP & AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Kirsten Anderson

CANDLE OF PEACE, HOPE, AND JUSTICE Congregation

SONG Allendale Band
We'll All Be Free | William Matthews |

TIME WITH CHILDREN Rev. Andy Oliver

OFFERING Congregation
We Shall Not Be Moved | Mississippi John Hurt |
give online at www.allendaleumc.org/give

POEM Kirsten Anderson
For Renee Nicole Good | Amanda Gorman |

SCRIPTURE READING Kirsten Anderson
Mark 1:2-4

SONG Allendale Band
Precious Lord, Take My Hand | Thomas A. Dorsey |

SERMON Rev. A. Leon Tredwell, PhD

SONG Allendale Band
Journey Isn't Over | Mark A. Miller |

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY Congregation

BENEDICTION Kirsten Anderson

POSTLUDE Allendale Band
The Journey | H.E.R. |



Precious Lord, Take My Hand

by Thomas A Dorsey

*Precious Lord, take my hand,
lead me on, let me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
through the storm, through the night,
lead me on to the light:
Take my hand, precious Lord,
lead me home.*

*When my way grows drear,
precious Lord, linger near,
when my life is almost gone,
hear my cry, hear my call,
hold my hand lest I fall:
Take my hand, precious Lord,
lead me home.*

*When the darkness appears
and the night draws near,
and the day is past and gone,
at the river I stand,
guide my feet, hold my hand:
Take my hand, precious Lord,
lead me home.*

"The Faith We Sing" Series and Liturgy by Allendale UMC

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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 Jan 18

9 AM Grief Support Group (Wesley)

9 AM Adult Sunday School Class (Hybrid)

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Mon Jan 19

11 AM MLK Parade

9 AM Tai Chi (Community Center)

Tue Jan 20

2 PM Pilates (Bill W/Nursery)

Wed Jan 21

5 PM Dinner at Allendale (Community Center)

6 PM Movie (Community Center)

Thu Jan 22

Fri Jan 23

Sat Jan 24

11 AM Loud & Loved (Sanctuary)

Sun Jan 25

9 AM Adult Sunday School Class (Hybrid)

10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

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 - 1/25 at 9 AM

This group meets every other Sunday

"Grace Can Lead Us Home: A Christian Call to End Homelessness" by Kevin Nye

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 4:30 PM

NW corner of 22nd Ave N and 34th St N

Social Justice Team - 3rd Tue at 6 PM

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

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

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 Jan 21

**Chef Salad Bar, Sliced Peaches,
Bread, Dessert**