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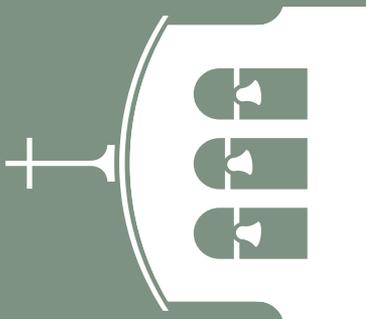
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ALLENDALE

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

Wed Feb 4	Wednesday Night Dinners (Community Center) 5 PM <i>(Every Wednesday)</i>
Thu Feb 5	Vigil at City Hall
Thu Feb 5	TransNetwork Know Your Rights Town Hall (Sanctuary) 7 PM
Sun Feb 8	Chili-Cook-Off and Superbowl Party (Community Center)
Wed Feb 18	Ash Wednesday Service (Sanctuary) 6 PM
Fri Feb 27	Drag Bingo at Allendale benefitting the Youth Group (Sanctuary) 6 PM
Sun Mar 22	CIW Farmworker Justice & Culture event (Sanctuary) 12 PM Learn about the Fair Food Program
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

WORSHIP NOTES

TODAY'S LITURGIST:

BARBRA BALMER (she/her/hers) was born in Northfield, Minnesota, the fifth of eight children. After the loss of her husband of 34 years, she moved from Phoenix to Florida in 2020 to be closer to her three younger sisters. Barbra spent 40 years in the banking industry, retiring as a Vice President in lending. Now retired, she enjoys crafting, volunteering, staying active at the gym, and spoiling her adopted dog, Paddington. She became a proud member of Allendale in June 2024.

TODAY'S MUSICIANS:

vocals - Campbell Horn, Gina Lever, Andy Oliver
guitar/vocals - Dylan Dames
piano/violin - Tru Mizzell
organist - Bill Lee

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

COMMUNION PREPARERS:

Pam Green, Priscilla Pridgen

COMMUNION SERVERS:

Joe Ventimiglia, Steve Geis, Amy Mormino, Mark Frederck, Deborah Eldred, Gina Gibbs, Debbie Duty, Pam Green, Alan Miller, Edwin Gomez

COMMUNION USHERS:

John & Sheila Stewart, Greg & Gail Gillis

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH POTLUCK:

Join Us Monday, Feb 2, at 6:30 PM in the Wesley Room. Join us for food and fellowship as we gather in sisterhood.

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*

VIGIL DURING PUBLIC COMMENT:

On Thursday, Feb 5 at 9 AM, following the Woodson flag raising, community members will gather during the City Council meeting. We will turn public comment open forum into a vigil to remember those killed and harmed by ICE and to call on Mayor Welch to end the city's 287g agreement with ICE.

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

In Loving Memory: **Jim Pfister** 1934-2026

BIRTHDAYS:

David Preston Feb 8
Mark Frederick Feb 18
Robin D'addio Feb 20
Jordan Reed Feb 20
Anthony Lenzo Feb 22

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: 159 in-person, 2,296 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

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ANTI-DEATH PENALTY VIGIL: Join Allendale United Methodist Church and Floridians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty for a prayer vigil opposing the execution of Ronnie Heath on Tuesday, February 10, from 4:30-5:30 PM at the corner of Ulmerton Road and 49th Street North. Signs will be provided. Petitions and details are available at fadp.org.

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 Wondrous Love | Moore|

WELCOME Rev. Andy Oliver
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SONG Allendale Band
Let It Rise | William Murphy|

CALL TO WORSHIP & AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Barbra Balmer

SONG Allendale Band
Let Love Be the Anchor | Matthew Macaulay, Michah Joy Macaulay|

CANDLE OF PEACE, HOPE, AND JUSTICE Lynne Hensley & Congregation

SONG Allendale Band
A Safe Place to Land | Sara Bareilles & John Legend|

TIME WITH CHILDREN Rev. Andy Oliver

OFFERING Congregation
Lead With Love |Melanie DeMore|
give online at www.allendaleumc.org/give

POEM Rose Cervantes
If They Call Me a Domestic Terrorist |Michael DuBois|

SCRIPTURE READING Barbra Balmer
Psalms 42 & 43

SONG Allendale Ensemble
O Love |George Matheson, arr. Elaine Hagenberg|

SERMON Rev. Andy Oliver

COMMUNION Congregation
I Will |Citizen Way|

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY Congregation

BENEDICTION Barbra Balmer

POSTLUDE Organist Bill Lee
Recessional |Hughes|



O Love

by George Matheson
arr. Elaine Hagenberg

*O Love, O Love,
O Love that will not let me go,
O love, I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
That in thy ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.*

*O Joy, O Joy,
O Joy that seeks me through pain,
O joy, I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain,
That morn shall tearless be.
That morn shall tearless be.
That morn shall tearless be.*

*O Love, O Love,
O Love that will not let me go,
O love, I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
I give thee back the life I owe,
I give thee back the life I owe,
And in thy ocean depths its flow
Shall richer, fuller be.
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*O Love, O Love,
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O Love that will not let me go,
O Love that will not let me go,*

"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 Feb 1

9 AM Adult Sunday School Class (Hybrid)
10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Mon Feb 2

9 AM Tai Chi (Community Center)

Tue Feb 3

2 PM Pilates (Bill W/Nursery)

Wed Feb 4

5 PM Dinner at Allendale (Community Center)
6 PM Classes (Community Center & Sanctuary)

Thu Feb 5

Fri Feb 6

Sat Feb 7

Sun Feb 8

9 AM Adult Sunday School Class (Hybrid)
10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)
9 AM Grief Support Group (Wesley)
6 PM Chili Cook Off and Superbowl Party (CC)

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 - 2/8 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

"Queerness, Leadership & the Book of Jeremiah"
Led by Rev. A Leon Tredwell, PhD
In Person - Wed at 6 PM

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 28

**Special Puerto Rican Themed Menu
Dessert, Vegetarian Option**