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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: Tue-Thu 9-4, Closed Mon & Fri. 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 Apr 1 Wednesday Night Dinners (Community Center) 5 PM *(Every Wednesday)*
- 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
- Sun Apr 12 Newcomer Followup/Greeter Training (CC) 9 AM & 12 PM
- Thu Apr 16 FAST Nehemiah Action at FBC St Pete (1900 Gandy Blvd) 7 PM
- Sun Apr 19 United Women in Faith Gathering (Wesley Room) 12 PM
- Sat Apr 25 United Women in Faith Cornerstone Wonder Walk (Crescent Lake)
- Fri Mar 27 Drag Bingo at Allendale for Family Support Services (Sanctuary) 6 PM

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:

piano - Tru Mizzell
guitar/vocals - Dylan Dames
vocals - Erica George

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

EASTER CHOIR SINGING IN WORSHIP:

Join us for Easter Sunday as our Easter choir leads us in worship at the 10:30 AM service in the Sanctuary.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE:

Join us at 7 AM at Crescent Lake Park, where several United Methodist congregations from across the area will gather together to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus as the sun rises over the lake as the day begins.
Directions: www.allendaleumc.org/sunrise

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER EGG HUNT NEXT SATURDAY:

Join us for our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 4 at 10 AM. Kids will enjoy crafts, games, and an Easter egg hunt with an egg exchange, where you trade collected eggs for candy or prizes.

MAUNDY THURSDAY & GOOD FRIDAY:

Join us for our Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services as we journey through the final days of Lent. Maundy Thursday begins at 6 PM in the Sanctuary on April 2, reflecting on the towel and basin, bread and cup, and Christ's love shared at the table. Good Friday is at noon on April 3, with McCabe UMC and St. Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Church, featuring a Tenebrae service that prayerfully explores stories of suffering today alongside the story of Christ's death.

THE PRINCE OF EGYPT: THE MUSICAL NOW - APRIL 5, 2026:

Dylan Dames is Ramses in St Petersburg City Theatre's production of The Prince of Egypt. Shows run through April 5. *Learn more and grab tickets at spcitytheatre.org*

STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS

BIRTHDAYS:

Makayla Brown	Mar 29
Tru Mizzell	Apr 1
Lashley Marks	Apr 7
Diane Gibson	Apr 12
Brandi Palmer	Apr 13
Amanda Dietrich	Apr 23
Patty Rust	Apr 24

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: 126 in-person, 1,176 online
Live stream: www.allendaleumc.org/online

WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?

The next opportunities:
Sun Apr 12 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



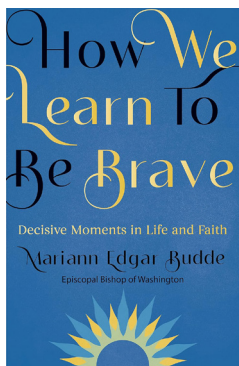
Give Online now by scanning this code with your phone's camera.

OFFICE VOLUNTEERS: we are seeking office volunteers to help count money on Tuesday mornings. *If you are interested in helping, contact the church office: 727-527-6694 or office@allendaleumc.org.*

WITNESS

HOW WE LEARN TO BE BRAVE:

On Sunday Mornings in-person at 9 AM, beginning April 19, we'll have a class on *How We Learn to Be Brave* by Bishop Mariann Budde.



Life often brings moments where we're asked to move past fear and act with courage. In this book, Bishop Budde explores what it means to make those choices—whether it's stepping forward, staying put, beginning again, or accepting what we didn't choose. She reminds us that bravery isn't a one-time act, but something we practice over time.

Drawing from scripture, including the Gospel of Luke, alongside stories from everyday life and culture, this study invites us to reflect on how we respond in uncertain moments—and how we might grow into people who act with clarity, compassion, and integrity.

Order her book and join the class:
www.allendaleumc.org/brave



Bishop Mariann Edgar Budde, the Episcopal Bishop of Washington since 2011, gained national attention in January 2025 for directly challenging President Trump during an inaugural prayer service at the Washington National Cathedral, urging him to show compassion to marginalized groups. Following this, she faced significant online threats.

PALM SUNDAY



inspiring us to act

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
<i>The Palms</i> Wells	
TELL ME SOMETHING GOOD THEME SONG	Britt Kusserow
<i>Improbable</i> Britt Kusserow	
WELCOME	Rev. Andy Oliver
PALM PROCESSIONAL	Congregation
<i>Hosanna Loud Hosanna</i> Jeanette Threlfall, Andy Oliver	
CALL TO WORSHIP & AFFIRMATION OF FAITH	Lois Jablonski
<i>Improbable (Reprise)</i> Britt Kusserow	
PEACE, HOPE, and JUSTICE & THE LENTEN WREATH	Lynne Hensley
SONG	Allendale Band
<i>Come Into The Streets With Me</i> Erena Murray	
TIME WITH CHILDREN	Rev. Andy Oliver
PRAYER OF CONFESSION & WORDS OF FORGIVENESS	Rev. David Franks
<i>Improbable (Reprise)</i> Britt Kusserow	
OFFERING	Congregation
<i>Who You Say You Are</i> Kierre Bjorn, Jenny Wahlstrom, Isaac Gill <i>give online at www.allendaleumc.org/give</i>	
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE	Rev. David Franks
<i>The Lord's Prayer</i> Mark Miller	
POEM	Rose Cervantes
<i>For the Sake of Tiny Resurrections</i> Rev. Sarah A. Speed	
SONG	Allendale Band
<i>Pray With Our Feet</i> Paul M. Vasile	
PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION & SCRIPTURE	Lois Jablonski
<i>Mark 11:1-11</i>	
SERMON	Rev. Andy Oliver
SONG	Allendale Band
<i>Stand Up</i> Cynthia Erivo	
CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY	Congregation
BENEDICTION	Lois Jablonski
POSTLUDE	Organist Bill Lee
<i>Day of Triumph</i> Broughton	



Palm Sunday Was a Protest by Nicolette Faison

INSPIRED BY MARK 11:1-11

Palm Sunday Was a Protest captures the energy of movement and resistance. Bright, rainbow colors draw the eye while black-and-white figures center the story. A sunrise behind the donkey nods to today's climate justice work, while raised fists and "No Justice, No Peace" echo ongoing struggles for liberation. Palms ground the piece in the biblical story, connecting it to modern movements and the call to do justice now.

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 All of us in the Congregation | Ministers of the Gospel

THIS WEEK

Sun Mar 29

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

Mon Mar 30

9 AM Tai Chi (Community Center)

Tue Mar 31

2 PM Pilates (Bill W/Nursery)

Wed Apr 1

5 PM Dinner at Allendale (Community Center)
6 PM Scripture Class (Hybrid Room/Zoom)

Thu Apr 2

6 PM Maundy Thursday Service (Sanctuary)

Fri Apr 3

12 PM Good Friday Service (Sanctuary)

Sat Apr 4

10 AM Easter Egg Hunt (Community Center)

Sun Apr 5

9 AM Adult Sunday School Class (Hybrid)
9 AM Grief Support Group (Wesley)
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 - 4/5 at 9 AM

This group meets every other Sunday

"How We Learn to Be Brave" by Bishop Mariann Budde
In-Person Adult Sunday School Class- Sun at 9 AM
Beginning Sun Apr 19

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

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

Weekly Immigration Vigil w/ FLIC - Sun at 4 PM
at the Pinellas County Courthouse in Clearwater
Register at flic.fyi/727vigil.

Social Justice Team - Tue Apr 21 at 6:30 PM

United Women in Faith - Sun Apr 19 at 12 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 Apr 1

Farfalle w/ Italian Sausage, Roasted Veggies,
Caesar Salad, Garlic Ciabatta Bread, Dessert