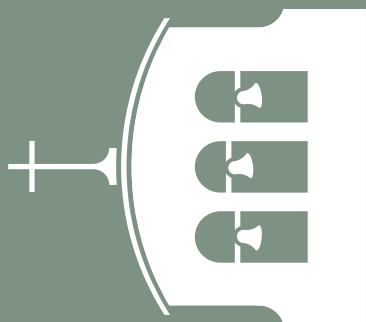




ALLENDALE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

AUGUST 9, 2026

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WELCOME

We are honored that you chose to worship with us today!

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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

- Sun Aug 16 United Women in Faith gathering (Wesley Room) 12 PM
- Tue Aug 18 Anti-Death Penalty Vigil (Ulmerton Rd & 49th St N) 5 PM
- Tue Aug 18 Social Justice Team Meeting (Hybrid Room) 6:30 PM
- Fri Aug 21 Good Faith, Rise Up Movie Screening (Sanctuary) 6 PM
- Fri Aug 28 Drag Bingo at Allendale for Meals and Outreach (Sanctuary) 6 PM
- Sun Aug 31 Drag-led Worship at Allendale (Sanctuary) 10:30 AM
- Sat Oct 10 Children's Day w/ Wonder Studio and NOMAD Art Bus (Allendale) 10 AM
- Get more information about our upcoming events by visiting: www.allendaleumc.org/events*

WORSHIP NOTES

TODAY'S SPEAKER:

DR. KATE PRAVERA (she/her/hers) has been a member of the Allendale community since 2018, and serves as theologian-in-residence. She holds a master of theological studies from Garrett Seminary and a joint doctor of philosophy degree in social ethics from Garrett and Northwestern University. At Allendale, she has led classes on spirituality and resistance, liberation theology and related topics, and is preparing to lead a new course this fall.

TODAY'S LITURGIST:

GREG GILLIS (he/him/his) and wife Gail moved to Seminole in 2024. Greg retired from teaching high school World History and American History classes, but continues to teach U.S. History on line. His best days include a bike ride on the Pinellas Trail, and he also enjoys travelling, DIY projects, and volunteering at the Seminole Historical Society museum and at clinics conducted by Remote Area Medical, RAM.

TODAY'S MUSICIANS:

vocals - Erica George
guitar/vocals - Eddie Kusar
piano - Tru Mizzell

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH GATHERING:

Join United Women in Faith on Sunday, August 16, after worship in the Wesley Room. We'll discuss Queen Esther and the Mission u theme, "A Deep Knowing: Experiencing Emmanuel." Women and gender-expansive people are invited to enjoy free food, fellowship and conversation as we grow together.

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 William Frances Silvia on Tuesday, August 18, from 5-6 PM at the corner of Ulmerton Road and 49th Street North. Signs will be provided. Petitions and details are available at fadp.org. Allendale will ring its bell in lament at 6 PM, the time of the execution.

GOOD FAITH, RISE UP:

Join us Friday, August 21, from 6-8 PM at Allendale United Methodist Church for a screening of Bad Faith 2026, followed by table conversations about recognizing harmful uses of religion in politics and strengthening the common good through good faith. Snacks will be provided, donations are appreciated, and everyone is invited. This event is presented by the Florida Council of Churches.

Register at allendaleumc.org/goodfaith.

STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS

Michelle Taylor: health issues

BIRTHDAYS:

Mira Collins	Aug 10
Sheila Stewart	Aug 18
Will Redlow	Aug 19
Linda Thielmann	Aug 22
Sarah Brownell	Aug 27
Jenny Connor	Aug 29

Birthday missing? Please contact the office

CONNECT WITH A PASTOR:

Rev. Andy Oliver, Pastor

Pastor Andy is on renewal leave through the end of August. Pastors David and Dr. Lee are available to meet with for any pastoral needs:

Rev. Dr. Lee Tredwell,
Pastor of Theological and Community Engagement
Office hours: 11-4 Tue & Thu *make an appointment at www.allendaleumc.org/drlee*

Rev. David Franks, Minister of Pastoral Support
Office hours: 10-1 Wed *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: 85 in-person, 903 online
Live stream: www.allendaleumc.org/online

WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?

The next opportunities:

Sun Aug 9 & Sep 13 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

WITNESS

LET THE WORK BEGIN!:

Allendale's Community Center Build Back Project is getting ready to move from planning into construction.

The project will repair damage sustained during Hurricane Milton in 2024, including roof, wall, insulation, air-conditioning, and water damage related work. In the coming weeks, demolition and remediation will begin, and the Community Center building—including the Community Center, stage, nursery, and nearby bathrooms—will become an active construction site and remain closed through the major phases of the work.

This project is about much more than just repairing a building.

Every week, Allendale's campus becomes a gathering place for people throughout St. Petersburg and Pinellas County. Recovery and mutual-support groups find community here. LGBTQ+ organizations gather, organize, celebrate, and build connection here. Musicians rehearse here. Children create and play here. Neighbors gather for civic engagement, justice work, wellness, education, meals, and community care.

Many of the people who use our campus each week are not members of Allendale—and that is part of what makes this ministry so important. Our buildings are one of the resources we are able to share with the wider community as we work to be a place without barriers and a sanctuary for all.

During construction, you may notice groups meeting in different rooms as we make space for one another. We are grateful for everyone's flexibility.

Learn more about the project, follow its progress, and consider making a gift at allendaleumc.org/community.



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

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
Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee | Beethoven/Husted |

WELCOME Rev. Dr Lee Tredwell
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*SONG Allendale Band
Dream God's Dream | Bryan Sirchio |

CALL TO WORSHIP & AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Greg Gillis
Dream God's Dream (Reprise) | Bryan Sirchio |

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

*SONG Allendale Band
I Dream of A Church | Mark Miller |

TIME WITH CHILDREN & BLESSING BACKPACKS Rev. Dr Lee Tredwell

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & LIBERATION Rev. Dr Lee Tredwell
The Lord's Prayer | Mark A. Miller |

OFFERING Congregation
give online at www.allendaleumc.org/give
Another World | Kerri Meyer, inspired by Arundhati Roy |

POEM Rose Cervantes
Change Sings | Amanda Gorman |

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION & SCRIPTURE READING Greg Gillis
Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

*SONG Allendale Band
Protect the Dreams You Give Us | Andy Oliver |

SERMON Dr. Kate Pravera

SONG Allendale Band
A Million Dreams | Benj Pasek and Justin Paul |

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS Congregation

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY Congregation

*BENEDICTION & BLESSING Greg Gillis & Rev. Dr Lee Tredwell

POSTLUDE Organist Bill Lee
Sing the Glad Song | Ritter |

*You are invited to rise in body or spirit. All are welcome to participate fully.



"Bars" - Yaroslava Dokhniak

INSPIRED BY GENESIS 37:1-4, 12-28

In Genesis 37, Joseph comes to his brothers carrying dreams they cannot honor. Their jealousy turns violent, and what begins as family resentment becomes betrayal, a pit, and a life sold away. Joseph's story reminds us that dreams can be dangerous when they threaten people who are invested in fear, control, or the way things have always been.

But the dream does not die in the pit. This story invites us to read scripture from the margins, alongside those whose lives are targeted, detained, displaced, or dismissed. Joseph helps us see the people whom power tries to disappear and the dreams that keep rising anyway. We may not know how the whole story will unfold, but we know who we are called to be: people who practice love publicly, resist hate faithfully, and grow into courage one day at a time.

Liturgy by Allendale United Methodist Church

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Elizabeth Stice**
Allendale Kids Leaders

Dr. Kate Pravera
Theologian in Residence

All of Us in the Congregation
Ministers of the Gospel

THIS WEEK

Sun Aug 9

9 AM Adult Sunday Morning Book Study (Wesley)
9 AM Grief Support Group (Ella Baker)
10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Mon Aug 10

9 AM Tai Chi (Community Center)

Tue Aug 11

11 AM Metro Men's Group (Wesley)
2 PM Pilates (Bill W/Nursery)

Wed Aug 12

Thu Aug 13

9 AM Tai Chi (Community Center)

Fri Aug 14

11 AM Metro Men's Group (Wesley)

Sat Aug 15

Sun Aug 16

9 AM Adult Sunday Morning Book Study (Wesley)
10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)
12 PM United Women in Faith (Wesley)

*Recovery and Support Groups meet often at
Allendale and are listed on an online calendar:
www.allendaleumc.org/recovery.*

CLASSES & COMMUNITY

Grief Support Group - 8/9 & 8/23 at 9 AM
This group meets every other Sunday

United Women in Faith - 8/16 at 12 PM

United Methodist Men - 3rd Thu at 6 PM

Social Justice Team - 8/18 at 6:30 PM
Meeting in the Hybrid Room

Adult Sunday Morning Book Study
In-Person Book Study - Sun at 9 AM
Book - *Building Beloved Community:
The Courage to Love in the Face of Tyranny*
This group is now meeting in the Wesley Room

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

Wednesday Night Dinners and Activities are
on Summer break during June & July and will
start back up in mid-August.