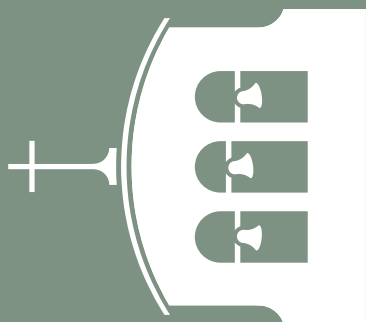




ALLENDALE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

OCTOBER 18, 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

- Tue Oct 20 Anti-Death Penalty Vigil (49th St N & Ulmerton Rd) 5 PM
- Thu Oct 22 Interfaith Tampa Bay Speak Open Discussion Event (Sanctuary) 6:30 PM
- Sat Oct 24 Trunk-or-Treat in the Parking Lot (Allendale) 10 AM
- Sun Nov 1 All Saints Sunday - *Submit names to allendaleumc.org/saints.*
- Sun Nov 1 Charge Conference (Sanctuary) 12 PM
- Fri Nov 6 Drag Bingo at Allendale for Celebrate Outreach (Sanctuary) 6 PM
- Fri Nov 20 Trans Day of Remembrance

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

WORSHIP NOTES

TODAY'S LITURGIST:

SUZANNE STAMBAUGH (she/her/hers) was born and raised in St. Petersburg, Florida. She earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Florida and her graduate degree from the University of Tennessee. She lived in Chicago for two years before returning to St. Pete in 2013. She is happy to live in her hometown near her parents, brother, and much of her extended family. She works as a licensed psychologist at the University of South Florida St. Petersburg Wellness Center. She loves spending time with her husband, Jared Bunn, and their beloved rescue cat, Millie. She also enjoys reading, podcasts, reality tv, and documentaries.

TODAY'S MUSICIANS:

piano - Tru Mizzell
vocals - Shannon Tierney
guitar/vocals - Dylan Dames
organist - Bill Lee

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTERFAITH TAMPA BAY PANEL DISCUSSION:

Interfaith Tampa Bay will host a panel discussion on Thursday, October 22, at 6:30 PM in Allendale's Sanctuary. Join us for an evening of dialogue focused on building bridges across faith communities, serving our neighbors, and working together to confront injustice in our community.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY - NOV 1:

On All Saints Sunday, we'll remember and give thanks for those who have died, including the people whose love and presence shaped our lives. *If someone you love has died within the past year, you're invited to share their name at allendaleumc.org/saints so we can remember them together in worship.*

TRUNK-OR-TREAT AT ALLENDALE:

Join us in the parking lot at Allendale on Sat, Oct 24 from 10-11:30 AM for Trunk or Treat! Dress up and stop by in a Halloween costume for some treats. *Register to decorate your trunk at allendaleumc.org/trunk or RSVP at allendaleumc.org/treat if you're coming to trick-or-treat!* Allendale will also be accepting donations of candy and allergy-friendly gifts.

ALLENDALE GREEN TEAM MEETING:

The new Allendale Green Team will meet in the Wesley Room after worship on Sunday, October 18. Join us as we explore ways to care for the environment through sustainable practices at Allendale, in our daily lives, and throughout our community. This gathering is sponsored by United Women in Faith (UWF)

ANTI-DEATH PENALTY VIGIL:

Join community members for a vigil opposing the death penalty from 5-6 PM on Tuesday October 20 at the northwest corner of Ulmerton Road and 49th Street North in mid-Pinellas County. Bring signs or use those provided. *Find a petition and death penalty information at fadp.org. Sponsored by Allendale UMC and Floridians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty (FADP).*

STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS

BIRTHDAYS:

CONNECT WITH PASTOR ANDY:

Rev. Andy Oliver, Pastor

Office hours: Tue - Fri *make an appointment*
at www.allendaleumc.org/andy

LICENSED THERAPISTS AND COUNSELORS:

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

PRESENCE

Previous Sunday: 116 in-person, 1,087 online

Live stream: www.allendaleumc.org/online

WANT TO JOIN ALLENDALE?

The next opportunities:

Sun Nov 15 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.*

Drag Bingo on October 9 raised \$1,053 for
Equality Florida!

WITNESS

WHAT YOUR GIVING MAKES POSSIBLE AT ALLENDALE IN 2027:

A Sanctuary for All

Worship, pastoral care, music, children's
formation, and a congregation that openly
welcomes LGBTQ people and others who
have experienced religious rejection.

A Faith That Shows Up

Our public witness for justice, advocacy
alongside immigrants, unhoused neighbors,
and other vulnerable communities,
and the organizing relationships that
make such work possible.

A Church Building Community

Supporting the life of the Community Center,
neighborhood partnerships, and spaces
where people gather, organize, create,
celebrate, and find support.

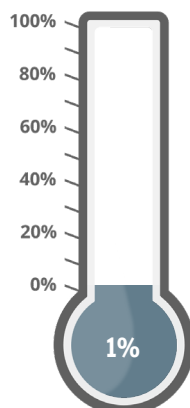
A Sustainable Future

Fair compensation for staff, care for our
buildings, utilities, insurance, and the
ordinary expenses that sustain
extraordinary ministry.

\$4,760 of our **\$325,000**

goal has been pledged to
2027 Operating Budget. As of
October 15, we've received 3
pledges representing 5 people.

Last year, we received a total
of 54 pledges.



**You can submit your pledge using the card that
came with this bulletin by dropping it in the
offering box or delivering it to the church office,
or online using this QR code:**



Or by visiting www.allendaleumc.org/pledge.

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

CENTERING Rev. Andy Oliver

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP Suzanne Stambaugh & Congregation

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LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF PEACE, HOPE, AND JUSTICE Hillary Daley

SONG Allendale Band
I Need You To Survive | Hezekiah Walker |

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Andy Oliver

TIME WITH CHILDREN & LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Andy Oliver

SONG Allendale Band
Proof Of Your Love | Joel & Luke Smallbone |

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT Daphne Lampley

OFFERING Rev. Andy Oliver & Congregation
give online at www.allendaleumc.org/give
Building Up A New World | Vincent Harding |

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Suzanne Stambaugh

SONG Allendale Band
Gain, Save, and Give (based on John Wesley's sermon "Use of Money")
| Andy Oliver |

SCRIPTURE READING Suzanne Stambaugh
Matthew 22:15-22

SERMON Rev. Andy Oliver

SONG Allendale Band
Price Tag | Jessie J |

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY Congregation

BENEDICTION & BLESSING Suzanne Stambaugh & Rev. Andy Oliver

POSTLUDE Allendale Band



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INSPIRED BY MATTHEW 22:15-22

In Matthew 22, Jesus is handed a coin stamped with Caesar's image and asked a question meant to trap him. Instead, he turns the question around: whose image does this money carry, and whose image do we carry? Coins may bear the marks of emperors and economies, but every human being bears the image of God.

That changes how we think about giving. Money is useful, but it is not sacred. People are. Our worth is not measured by what we earn, own, or contribute, and generosity is not about proving our faithfulness. It is about using what we have to reflect what we value. We give so that people can be fed, welcomed, cared for, organized, and reminded that they belong. The question is not simply what belongs to Caesar or what belongs to us. It is how everything entrusted to us—our money, time, energy, and lives—can serve the people who bear God's image.

Liturgy by Allendale United Methodist Church

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All of Us in the Congregation
Ministers of the Gospel

THIS WEEK

Sun Oct 18
9 AM Adult Sunday Morning Book Study (Hybrid)
9 AM Grief Support Group (Wesley)
10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)
5:30 PM Youth Group (Wesley)

Mon Oct 19
9 AM Tai Chi (Sanctuary)

Tue Oct 20
11 AM Metro Men's Group (Wesley)

Wed Oct 21

Thu Oct 22
9 AM Tai Chi (Sanctuary)
6:30 PM Interfaith Tampa Bay Panel (Sanct.)

Fri Oct 23
11 AM Metro Men's Group (Wesley)

Sat Oct 24
10 AM Trunk Or Treat (Parking Lot)

Sun Oct 25
9 AM Adult Sunday Morning Book Study (Wesley)
10:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)
5:30 PM Youth Group (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 - 10/4 & 10/18 at 9 AM
This group meets every other Sunday

United Women in Faith - 10/18 at 12 PM

United Methodist Men - 10/15 at 6 PM

Social Justice Team - 10/20 at 6:30 PM
Meeting in the Hybrid Room

Adult Sunday Morning Book Study
In-Person Book Study - Sun at 9 AM
This group is discussing Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s sermon, "Loving Your Enemies" Oct 11-25
This group is now meeting in the Hybrid Room

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

Wednesday Night Dinners and Activities are delayed as we continue construction in the Community Center.

DISCIPLE INTENSIVE BIBLE STUDY:
Take a deep-dive from Genesis to Revelation with study and discussion for people who want to make a serious, sustained commitment to studying scripture. *Learn more and let us know you're in* allendaleumc.org/disciple.
Starts Oct 21.