



Welcome to the Allin Congregational Church

An Open and Affirming Congregation

Rev. Anne Marie Holloway

Minister

April 19, 2026

Worship

MEDITATION: “There must be always remaining in every life, some place for the singing of angels, some place for that which in itself is breathless and beautiful.” ~Howard Thurman

PRELUDE

Aria

Daniel Pinkham

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Gayle Kahler

Please rise/stand in body or in spirit

On the road to Emmaus, two weary travelers walked with heavy hearts.

And a stranger came alongside them, speaking words of life.

They did not recognize Him at first, yet their hearts began to burn within them.

For the risen Christ was in their midst, opening the Scriptures to them.

When they invited Him to stay, He broke bread — and their eyes were opened.

We, too, come to this place, longing to see Jesus.

Come, let us walk together on the road of faith.

Let us worship the risen Lord, who meets us where we are and leads us into joy.

*OPENING HYMN

#233 Alleluia, Sing to Jesus

*WORDS OF WELCOME

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*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

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We need your presence on the long road, Lord. The road between fear and hope, the road between the place where all is lost and the place of resurrection. Like the disciples walking the road to Emmaus, we are in need of your company! God of all hopefulness steady us. Jesus, son of God, stand among us, in your risen power. Holy Spirit enliven us. Let this time of worship be a hallowed hour. Amen.

*SILENT CONFESSION

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*GLORIA PATRI

GREATOREX

Glory to the Creator, the Christ, the Holy Spirit Three in One; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen. Amen.

A WORD FOR ALL AGES

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*THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you. (Please share the peace of Christ with your neighbor!)

The children are invited to leave for church school.

SOLO

Migratory V

Guettel

Katelyn Frazer, soprano

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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Please Lord, stay close to Those suffering from the effects of flooding, fires and war; healing and comfort for Olive Barrett, Marcia Bibeault, Dick Lane, Michael Martens, Jack Stone, Rick Hayes, and the family of Nancy and David LaBier, the family of Judy and Don Massey as well as the family of Rocco DiLorenzo. Let us pray together the prayer that Jesus taught us saying, **“Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.” Amen.**

PRAYER RESPONSE

Create In Me a Clean Heart, O God

Welch

Janice Girard, soprano

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALL TO OFFERING

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OFFERING

Be Not Afraid

Welch

Lynn Raymond, soprano



For your convenience, we have included a QR code for donations. Thank you for your generosity.

**DOXOLOGY #23 Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven*

Praise, my soul, the God of heaven, glad of heart your carols raise; ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who, like me, should sing God's praise? Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the Maker all our days!

***UNISON OFFERING PRAYER**

Holy God, may these gifts that we offer this morning bring hope, healing, and justice to all those people and places who

long for these blessings. We offer these gifts with gratitude to you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 (Chanting) (p. 564-565 in Old Testament)

I love the Lord
who has heard the voice of my supplication,
who has listened to me
whenever I called.
The cords of death entangled me;
the grip of the grave took hold of me;
I came to grief and sorrow.
Then I called upon the name of the Lord:
“O Lord, I pray you, save my life.”
How shall I repay you, O Lord,
for all the good things you have done for me?
I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call upon your name.
I will fulfil my vows to the Lord
in the presence of all the people.
Precious in your sight, O Lord
is the death of your servants.
O Lord, I am your servant;
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds.
I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call upon the name of the Lord.
I will fulfil my vows to the Lord
in the presence of all the people of God.
In the courts of the house of the Lord,
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.
Hallelujah!

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24:13-35 (p. 90 in the New Testament) Doug Crandall

The Walk to Emmaus

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him.” Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

COFFEE HOUR

4/19-Music Ministry
4/26-No coffee hour next week due to James Joyce Ramble

ALTAR FLOWERS

In honor of our beloved Music Director Andrew from the Choir and Music Ministry

TOWER LIGHTING:

In honor of Andrew's years of service to Allin!

Soloists: Katelyn Frazer, Janice Girard, and Lynn Raymond

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE FOLLOWING DATES:

LOOKING AHEAD!

Thank you to everyone for signing up for ushering! Please sign up online for May & beyond!

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Minister's Office Hours

Rev. Anne Marie would love to visit with you at the church during the week or meet you for coffee! She holds office hours on most Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays between 9:30 and 12:30pm! Drop in or schedule a time through our website to schedule a time to meet! She is available to meet off site Monday and Wednesday afternoons. Just send her an email at pastorannem@allinchurch.org



SAFE CHURCH UPDATE:

Our Safe Church efforts have included adding a more secure method of welcoming in guests and visitors, known and unknown. If you arrive at the Bullard Street Entrance on Monday through Friday and you find that the door is locked - have no fear - the building remains open Monday through Friday during office hours (9am -1 pm). We invite you to simply ring the doorbell and a member of the staff will come and let you in! In an effort to maintain a welcoming and safe space for our staff, members and visitors, we are inviting all visitors, during the week to also sign into the building! Thank you for supporting our safe church efforts!

~Pastor Anne Marie





ALLIN CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED MONDAY, 4/20

PLEASE ENJOY A RESTFUL
PATRIOTS DAY &
MARATHON MONDAY
& HAVE A JOYFUL & SAFE
SCHOOL VACATION WEEK!



SOCKS SOCKS SOCKS! WE NEED SOCKS PLEASE!

Generic Ministry is a group in Needham that goes into Boston twice a week & provides sandwiches, snacks, hygiene items & clothing to homeless people.

Currently, there is a need for white athletic socks. For unhoused people, fresh socks are critical for maintaining their health. Without access to regular laundry, socks are needed on a frequent basis.

Please consider donating much needed WHITE ATHLETIC SOCKS for these individuals.

Donations can be placed in the box at the Bullard St. door and/or in the Stage Room. Thank you!!! Any questions, please check with Jo-Ann McDonagh

Deacons' Scholarship Allin Church 2026

**Scholarship Applications-Due
Sunday, May 3, 2026**

The Deacons of the Allin Church oversee a scholarship fund to support our students with post-secondary education studies or training.

If you are interested in applying for a scholarship, and would like to receive more information on how to apply, please send an email to the church office : allinchurch@gmail.com