

Sunday, November 8, 2026

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY!

Welcome to the Allin Congregational Church
An Open and Affirming Congregation
Rev. Anne Marie Holloway
Minister

MEDITATION : "If not now, then when? If not today, then, why make your promises? A love declared for days to come, is as good as none. You can wait 'til morning comes. You can wait for the new day. You can wait and lose this heart. You can wait and soon be sorry…"
-*If Not Now,* Tracy Chapman

PRELUDE *Prelude on Martyrdom* Willan Healey

""As pants the hart for cooling streams""

As we prepare our hearts for worship, let us settle in by reflecting on this morning's meditation (as printed above at the top of your worship bulletins) while listening to the sounds of the music of the prelude.

*CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Anne Marie Holloway

Please rise/stand in body or in spirit

Get ready! The time is coming when the Lord will draw near to us.
Lord, set our feet on the pathway that leads to you.
Lord, reach out to us and take us by the hand.
Help us, Lord. Guide us in your ways.
Gracious God, be with us throughout this day and all our days.
Heal our lives, open our hearts, and lead us ever closer to you. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN *All People on Earth do Dwell CH#18*

*WORDS OF WELCOME Rev. Anne Marie Holloway

*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION Rev. Anne Marie Holloway

Gracious and loving God, we come into your presence with expectant hearts. Send your Holy Spirit among us and fill this place with your holy presence. Open our hearts to receive your love and our minds to hear your Word. 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.

THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you all.

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

A WORD FOR ALL AGES Rev. Anne Marie Holloway

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY TEAM Lindsay Gallagher

CHILDREN'S BLESSING: *May the Lord Mighty God* (to the tune of Edelweiss)

Congregation invited to sing!

Verse 1: May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever;
grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.

The children are invited to go, as the congregation sings to them, to Church School.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Anne Marie Holloway

Please Lord, stay close to those suffering from the effects of flooding, fires and war; healing and comfort for Olive Barrett, Marcia Bibeault, Michael Martens, Jack Stone, Rick Hayes, Frank Walley, and the family of Nancy and David LaBier, the family of Judy and Don Massey, the family of Rocco DiLorenzo, Barbara Pimentel, friends and family of Dick Lane, Helena Fontana, Dottie Folsom, Beverly Van Orman, Peter Van Orman, Alma Danner, and Carol Sorensen. We pray all this in the name of the one who taught us to pray by saying, ***Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy Kin(g)dom 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 Kin(g)dom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.***

PRAYER RESPONSE *#316 Amen*

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALL TO OFFERING Pam Allen

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

OFFERTORY MUSIC *Give Me Oil in My Lamp* Joseph Martin

*DOXOLOGY #47 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below, praise God above, ye heavenly host: Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

UNISON OFFERING PRAYER Rev. Anne Marie Holloway

Gracious God, we offer these gifts with grateful hearts. Use them to heal hearts and guide others along the pathway that leads to You. Receive also our time, our talents, and our lives, as expressions of our gratitude for Your unending love. Amen.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Recently there has been a movement in the church, ecumenical in scope, from simply reading the Psalms in worship, to a combination of reading and singing. Our reading of the "responsorial psalm" is deeply rooted in early Jewish temple and synagogue worship and lifts up the power of the Psalms as they are both sung and spoken in worship.

Psalm 67 (Chalice Hymnal #744)

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 25: 1-13 Pam Allen

Please find your NRSV Bible in your pew and open up to the Scripture Reading, as found on page 28.

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

This ends the reading of God's Holy Word.
For the Word of God in Scripture; for the Word of God among us; for the Word of God within us, **thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM *My Lord, What A Morning* Arthur Hardwicke

UNISON PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Gracious God, we thank You for Your Word read among us today. Grant us understanding as we listen, humility to

recognize Your guidance, and courage to follow where You lead. By the power of Your Spirit, prepare us to hear the message in the words sung and spoken with faith, and to apply it with wisdom. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*PULPIT HYMN *(Chosen by Congregation at Ministry Fair)*
Here I Am Lord CH#452

HOMILY/FAITH WITNESS Rev. Anne Marie Holloway & Sue Pimentel

RECESSIONAL HYMN *Lord Dismiss us with Thy Blessing*

*BENEDICTION Rev. Anne Marie Holloway

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE *The Lord Bless You and Keep You CH#446*

POSTLUDE *Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV 140* J.S Bach

"Awake, calls the voice to us"

LITURGIST:

Pam Allen

USHERS

11/8-Natalie Bentley & Andy Marcoux

11/15- Donna Arthur & Pam Allen

COFFEE HOUR

11/8-Stewardship
11/15-Music 2

Flowers:

The flowers are in memory of our father, John N. Stone, Sr. on what would have been his 101st birthday (11/6/1925). With happy memories, Nancy, Pam, & family

Tower Lighting:

In memory of Dick Mitchell, rest in peace my sweet uncle. From Beth MacLennan

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Be sure to visit our website to see all that is happening at the Allin Congregational Church!

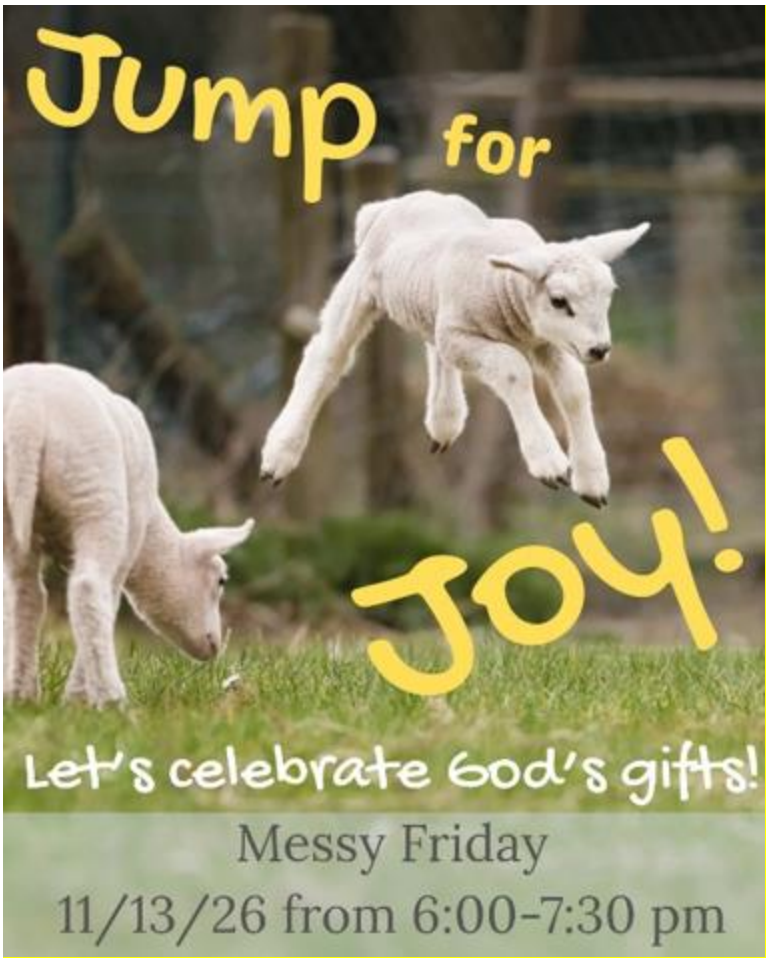
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Rev. Anne Marie would love to visit with you at the church during the week or meet you for coffee! She holds office hours on most Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays between 9:30 and 12:30pm! Please reach out via email or our website to schedule a time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


Jump for
Joy!
Let's celebrate God's gifts!
Messy Friday
11/13/26 from 6:00-7:30 pm

Our New Director of Music!



Adriano Spampanato, a French-Italian-American musician, will join the Allin Church team on November 8 as Director of Music, leading the congregation in sacred music during worship and overseeing the church's music program.

Adriano is a versatile artist whose work spans organ, piano, harpsichord, conducting, and vocal coaching, Adriano brings broad experience in worship, choral music, opera, and collaborative performance. He has performed internationally as a keyboard soloist, chamber musician, continuo player, and conductor, appearing at venues including Carnegie Hall, Wigmore Hall, the Kennedy Center, and the Paris Philharmonic.

His church music experience includes service as Associate Director of Music and Organist at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Alexandria, Virginia, as well as previous organist positions in Paris and New York. He is also pianist-organist for the Thomas Circle Singers in Washington, D.C.

Adriano has received numerous honors, including a Fulbright Scholarship, the Drouet-Bourgeois Piano Prize from the Fondation de France, and the Zellidja Scholarship from the Académie Française. He studied at the Conservatoire National Supérieur de Musique de Paris, earning four Bachelor's degrees and a Master's with academic honors in collaborative piano.

We are soo grateful to our Search Committee