

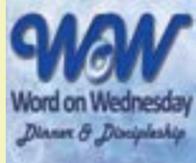
Lake Deaton
information is available at the
Welcome Center each week.

“Lord Jesus, I believe you are the Son of God. Thank you for dying on the cross for my sins. Please forgive my sins and give me the gift of eternal life. I ask you into my life and heart to be my Lord and Savior. I want to serve you always.”



Altar Flowers

Our flowers are provided by Donald Pulsifer in memory of his wife Gail.



Dinner and Fellowship

Wednesday, February 17 at 4:45 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center
 Please join us for part two of Pastor Harold’s three-part session on *Our Wesleyan Heritage*. If you are not attending the dinner, please arrive by 5:30 p.m. The class begins at 5:45 p.m.

- **Menu:** Lemon Chicken Soup, Tossed Salad w/ Feta Cheese, Pepperoncini, and Kalamata Olives, Tarragon Roasted Chicken, Spinach & Lemon Rice Pilaf, Pita Wedges, and Baklava.
- **Reservations are required:** Please enter the number attending in the “WOW” column of the attendance pad, or call the church office by noon on Monday. If you need to cancel, please notify the office as soon as possible.

Special WOW Presentation on March 9 — Ennis Pruitt and the Breakers

Please join us for dinner followed by Celtic music — “Jimmy Buffet” style — and more! This WOW Dinner is ticketed; \$10 for your dinner and show. Seating by reservation only, eight seats per table. Tickets will be available before WOW dinner February 17, and Saturday and Sundays between Worship Services, February 27/28 and March 5/6.

LEAD Administrative Training

Wednesday, February 17 from 9–11 a.m. — Summerhill Worship Center
 We will cover administrative and process information in: Administration, Finance, Event Process/Special Events, and Connecting in our Covenant Community.

In order to facilitate administration requests and help our committees/teams understand New Covenant’s processes, we encourage all who are interested and involved in planning activities to attend and obtain current information and ask questions pertinent to their ministry. Please call the Church Office at 750-4529, if you will be attending.



Volunteers Needed for ...

Special Events Ministry
 • We need volunteers to work at our Ticket Kiosk. Please contact Ann McBain, Events Coordinator, at amcbain@newcovenantumc-fl.org.

Worship Ministry

• We need ushers for our 7:45 a.m. Worship Service. Please call Terri Ward at 741-0497.

Youth Ministry

• We need volunteers for our summer mission trips. Please contact Kayla McIntosh, Coordinator of Youth Ministries at kmcintosh@newcovenantumc-fl.org

Your Scripture for this Week

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
February 14	Numbers 7	Leviticus 5-7	Sunday: No Reading	Luke 1
February 15	Numbers 8-10	Leviticus 8-10	Matthew 26:47-75	Luke 2
February 16	Numbers 11-13	Leviticus 11-13	Matthew 27:1-25	Luke 3
February 17	Numbers 14-15	Leviticus 14-15	Matthew 27:26-44	Luke 4
February 18	Numbers 16-17	Leviticus 16-18	Matthew 27:45-66	Luke 5
February 19	Numbers 18-20	Leviticus 19-21	Matthew 28	Luke 6
February 20	Numbers 21-22	Leviticus 22-23	Mark 1:1-28	Luke 7
February 21	Numbers 23-25	Leviticus 24-25	Sunday: No Reading	Luke 8

“These things are written so that you will believe that Jesus is the Christ, God’s Son, and that believing, you will have life in his name.” (John 20:31)

Lord, as I go about my day, guide me, show me, inspire me to be all about your love so that others might know I am a Christian by my love for you. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

Saturday Christian Education Classes

3:45 p.m.	Wired Word	Christian group discussion based on current topics	Classroom 3
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Sunday Christian Education Classes

7:45 a.m.	Early Risers	Book of James — Developing a Faith that Works	Chapel
9 a.m.	Disciple II	Into the Word Into the World	Classroom 3
9:15 a.m.	Childcare	Children ages birth to 5 years old	Nursery
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	Esther and the Sovereignty of God	Classroom 2
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders Class	Christianity and World Religions	Classroom 11
9:15 a.m.	Faith Finders	Book of James — Developing a Faith that Works	Classrooms 6/7
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	Holy Days	Chapel
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Gentrification	Classroom 14
10:30 a.m.	The Searchers	Book of James — Developing a Faith that Works	Classrooms 6/7
10:45 a.m.	Wesley Class	Christianity and World Religions	Classroom 11

New Covenant United Methodist Church

Contemporary Worship
 Saturday 5:00 p.m.

3470 Woodridge Dr. • The Villages, FL 32162

Phone:
 352-750-4529 • (Fax) 352-259-2971

Blended Worship
 Sunday 7:45 • 9:15 • 10:45 a.m.

Email:
ncumc@newcovenantumc-fl.org

Children’s Orchard Worship
 Sunday 10:45 a.m.

Website:
www.newcovenantumc-fl.org

Lake Deaton Worship (Eisenhower Rec Center)
 Sunday 8:30 • 10:00 a.m.

Facebook:
 New Covenant United Methodist Church ~
 A Place to Call Home

Worship attendance for last week: 2,634

(BEACH) 49 • (Celebrate Recovery) 79 • (Youth) 18 • (Orchard Worship) 32
 (Saturday Contemporary) 295 • (Sunday) 7:45-289 • 9:15-766 • 10:45-696
 (Lake Deaton) 8:30-179 • 10:00-231



Rev. Harold Hendren, Senior Pastor
 Rev. Jim Divine, Lake Deaton Pastor
 Rev. Marilyn Anell, Care Pastor

Our Vision: We are a large, dynamic, multicultural, intergenerational congregation growing in our relationship with one another and with Jesus Christ to be His hands, feet, and voice in the world.



Women’s Ministry presents...
Betsy Kniffin
Christian Speaker, Singer, Songwriter

Ladies: Be sure and get your tickets to join Betsy for a special Women’s Retreat

Thursday, February 18
10 a.m.–3 p.m.

Tickets are \$15 and are available on our church website at www.newcovenantumc-fl.org or at the Summerhill Campus Ticket Kiosk in the Narthex this weekend!

Ticket price includes a great lunch!

“Bringing encouragement through humor, music, and the Good News of Jesus Christ”

Betsy has served as a Sunday School teacher, Vacation Bible School teacher, and director of two LOGOS Youth Choirs. She was a Chancel Choir member for 30 years and has also served on many church committees. Since retiring from teaching, Betsy has followed the Lord’s leading into a speaking and singing ministry and has written over 50 praise and worship songs, which she is in the process of recording. Her first CD, *Intimate Worship*, is now available. Betsy has authored and presented workshops, served as a featured vocalist, and has delivered inspirational messages to congregations and women’s gatherings state-wide.

“I invited Jesus into my heart to be Lord and Savior of my life when I was 15 years old. I was blessed to be raised by loving, laughing Christian parents in heartland, Ohio, where we attended a United Methodist Church. Over the years, I have witnessed in my life the miracles of healing, safety, forgiveness, and restored relationships. Through the storms of death and doubt, fear and frustration, Jesus has proven His Love for me again and again. My life is a testimony of God’s Grace and Christ’s Love. It is my privilege to celebrate with joy and laughter, the love which the Father has placed in my heart!”

Betsy and her husband Brian have two grown daughters, Sarah and Laura. Betsy has a Master’s Degree in Elementary Education and taught 30 years in the Norwalk City School District. She was named in *Who’s Who Among America’s Teachers* for three years. Betsy was nominated for the *Disney Teacher of the Year Award*, was Norwalk’s *Walmart Teacher of the Year*, and is listed in the Biltmore *Who’s Who Among Executives and Professional Women, Honors Edition*.

Our Purpose: To come to know the love of Christ and to make His love known to others for the transformation of the world

Upcoming New Member Classes
 Our membership path consists of one "gateway" class offered four times a year. In this gateway class, you will hear about our vision of membership at New Covenant. After completing this class, you may join New Covenant and then choose enrichment classes throughout the year.

- March New Member Classes:**
- **Lake Deaton Campus:** Sunday, March 6 from 11:15 a.m.–1:15 p.m. (lunch provided)
 - **Summerhill Campus:** Monday, March 7 from 6–8 p.m. (coffee & cookies provided)
- June New Member Classes:**
- **Lake Deaton Campus:** Sunday, June 12 from 11:15 a.m.–1:15 p.m. (lunch provided)
 - **Summerhill Campus:** Monday, June 13 from 6–8 p.m. (coffee & cookies provided)

Please pick up a New Member Registration form at the Welcome Center in the Narthex, or contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org or (352) 750-4529.

Connectional Ministry
Discover New Covenant! Whether you are new to our congregation or have been here for years, come and find out how to get involved and connected — to a caring community, to service, or to membership.

Interested in becoming a member or connecting into serving in a ministry or finding out more about New Covenant may serve you? Stop at the Connections kiosk in the Narthex. We have the answers!

Leadership Academy – Tier II Training
Tier II Training — Summerhill Chapel
 If you have completed Tier I of New Covenant's Leadership Academy, please plan to attend our Tier II Training.

- This is a two-day training to be held in the Chapel:**
- Part 1: Tuesday, February 23, from 9–11 a.m.
 - Part 2: Tuesday, March 8, from 9:30 a.m.–12 p.m.
- If you would like to attend this two-part session, please contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum by Wednesday, February 17 at 750-4529 or khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org.

"The Story of Jesus" Bus Trip
Friday, March 25 — Cattlemens' Arena, Wauchula, FL
 A live production of the birth, life, passion, and resurrection of Jesus. Bus transportation, dinner, and VIP seating for the production are included. The bus leaves the Summerhill Campus parking lot at 2 p.m.

This inclusive package is only \$75. Seating is limited. Please sign up between Worship Services at the kiosk in the Summerhill Narthex, February 13/14, 20/21, or 27/28. For more information, please call Mitch or Marie Budzon at 259-9230.

Faith & Mental Health Seminar
Saturday, February 27 from 8:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.
 "Mental Health and the Church" is a collaborative effort of the Mental Wellness Coalition and faith leaders throughout our community. This event will include speakers, workshops, and resource exhibits.

Join Wildwood UMC's Pastor Michael Beck, one of the many speakers, at the College of Central Florida, Klein Conference Center (3001 SE College Rd, Ocala).

Church Conference
 We will hold a Church Conference on Wednesday, March 2 at 5:30 p.m. immediately following our WOW dinner to discuss the future building on our Lake Deaton property, and vote on organizing a building team. **The Church Conference to decide whether or not to build will come at a later date.**

Again, the Church Conference on March 2 is only to provide preliminary plans to you and to designate a building committee. We look forward to your attendance at this very important first step in the further development of our Lake Deaton Campus.

If you want to join us for dinner, please make your reservations on the attendance pad during Worship Service. Our WOW dinner begins at 5 p.m.; doors open at 4:45 p.m.

Exciting News!
 We are preparing to launch a brand new online feature for your use! You will soon have access to the New Covenant member directory, ability to utilize online giving, submit prayer requests, and so much more! This will be a safe and secure access for our New Covenant family.

Each person will have the basic information of name, phone numbers, email address, and photo (if available), and will be responsible for maintaining and updating your personal information. Information will only be available to those who have established a valid log-in to the system. Should you desire not to be listed in the online directory, it is your responsibility to notify the church office.

You will receive an email from the church in the coming weeks, please do not delete any emails regarding this subject as it will include important log-in information and updates.

Update Your Church Photo
Saturday, February 20 — Summerhill Family Room
Sunday, February 21 — Summerhill East Narthex Cardinal Alcove
 If you have been a part of our New Covenant church family for many years and have not recently had your photo taken for a New Member class, please take a few minutes to have a new photo taken.

If you already have a recent portrait photo that you would like to submit, please bring it to the office so that we may scan it. If you have any questions, please call the Church Office at 750-4529.

Water4 Well Project
 During Lent, we will collect sacrificial dollars in order to build wells in Africa. Our hope is that the money you would spend on weekly beverages would go towards our **Water4 Well Project**. Our goal is 20 wells!

If you would like to contribute, please drop your donation in one of the jars located at one of the church exits.

FACT: The price of bottled is up to 10,000 times the cost of tap water.

Every DROP Counts

Winter Health Series
Monday, February 15 from 5–7:15 p.m. — Summerhill Chapel
 There is no registration fee. Participants may choose to attend one or both lectures. For more information, call Barbara Hays at 753-8877.

- 5–6 pm: *Healthy Lifestyles* with Karen Lambert Hughes
- 6–6:15 pm: Healthy snacks served between sessions
- 6:15–7:15 pm: *Cremation and Funeral Planning* with Lisa High, Heirs Baxley

Helen's Helpers Informational Meeting
Tuesday, February 16 at 10 a.m. — Summerhill Classroom 1
 If you are serving in the Helen's Helper ministry and/or would like to know more about volunteering with Helen's Helpers, join us for an information-sharing session. For more information, please call the Care Office at 750-4529.

Hope for Hurting Parents
Monday, February 15 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Classroom 1
Thursday, February 25 at 2 p.m. — Summerhill Classroom 14
 If you have a child or loved one struggling with addiction, mental illness, incarceration, or other life-altering events, we offer support and encouragement for you — the parent or grandparent.

For more information, please call the Care office at 750-4529. We welcome all in our community who need this support; it is not just for members.

Praying Together
Wednesdays at 3:45 p.m. — Summerhill Classroom 14
 This group prays over the prayer cards submitted each week and the concerns listed in the bulletin. These dedicated folks would love to have you join them in their prayer time. Prayer is the greatest tool we have to combat the challenges we and our loved ones face.

Hospital Visitation
 If you or a loved one enters the hospital or are having a surgery or procedure, please inform the Care office at 750-4529. It is our privilege to visit or call and pray with you. Maybe have a neighbor or friend designated to let us know if you are ill. We want to be able to support you in your time of need!

The Gift of Prayer
 The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for: Luke Lambert, a 2 year old with leukemia; Art & Pixi Lewis who are dealing with Alzheimer's; Baby Sloan Ferguson born with a heart defect; and, Tiffany Stout with ovarian cancer. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

This Week's Prayer Concerns:

Holly Arnstein	Pat Beddia	Bill	Vivian Braddock	Barbara Byrne	Brenda K. Devore
Joe Douglas	Joe Fazio	Gary Hilbert	Hileman Family	William Johnert	Pat Johnson
Anne Kolman	Ekke Lulek	Marie Mitchell	Myron Parsons	Bill Powell	Baby Sloan
Alexandria Webb	Wolf	Wood Family			



Bach with a Beat (Seeds of Hope Concert)

Tuesday, February 16 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center

“Selfies Encore” featuring soloists, duets, trio, and the ensemble singing Classical, Pop, Broadway, and Folk Hits.

No tickets are necessary. Your admission is by donation of nonperishable food items or monetary gifts benefiting the Wildwood Food Pantry and Wildwood Soup Kitchen.



Helping Hands Pancake Breakfast

Sat., February 20 from 7:30–10 a.m. — Summerhill Worship Center

The annual Helping Hands All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast tickets are on sale for \$7 per person. Please visit the kiosk in the Narthex.

Net proceeds benefit the Helping Hand’s home renovation projects.



Toast of Tampa Show Chorus

Sunday, February 21 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center

Enjoy premier *a cappella* harmonies in the barbershop style of the dynamic Toast of Tampa Show Chorus. Toast of Tampa’s 140 female singers and dancers are current 2016 International bronze champions. Joining them are very special guests, men’s award-winning barbershop chorus Heralds of Harmony, also from Tampa.

Tickets may be purchased at The Villages Box Office. A portion of the proceeds benefit New Covenant’s Men’s Ministry. Artist Circle: \$20 • General: \$15

Celebration Brass Band Concert

Sunday, March 13 at 3 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center

A concert of traditional style British Brass Band Music encompassing various musical styles, under the direction of Jill Van Scykle. A portion of the proceeds benefit New Covenant’s Youth Ministry.

• General Admission Tickets: \$15

Available on our website at www.newcovenantumc-fl.org, or at the Summerhill Ticket Kiosk in the West Narthex between Worship Services.



Helping Hands Sixth Annual Golf Tournament

Saturday, April 23 — Eagle Ridge Golf Course, Del Webb

Your \$80 fee includes the tournament (golf cart included) and admission to the banquet (Sunday, April 24 from 5:30–8:30 p.m. at New Covenant Summerhill Campus), plus golf prizes, door prizes, silent auction, and lots of fun. Registration begins at 11 a.m. and the Shotgun Start begins at 12:45 p.m. Net proceeds benefit New Covenant’s Helping Hands Outreach Ministry.

Registration Deadline is April 9

Registration forms are available at a kiosk in the Summerhill Narthex. The tournament is limited to 200 registrants. Additional banquet tickets may be purchased for \$20.

Volunteers Needed



Smiling, friendly volunteers are needed to work one Saturday night or one Sunday morning every six weeks to manage the Ticket Kiosk in the Summerhill West Narthex. Ticket sales are completed using an i-Pad. If you have an i-Phone or know how to use a laptop, you can do this.

A training session will be held on Tuesday, February 16 at 11 a.m. at the ticket kiosk in the West Narthex for all persons who are interested in volunteering for this ministry.

If you have any questions, please contact Ann McBain, Events Coordinator, at 750-4529 or amcbain@newcovenantumc-fl.org.