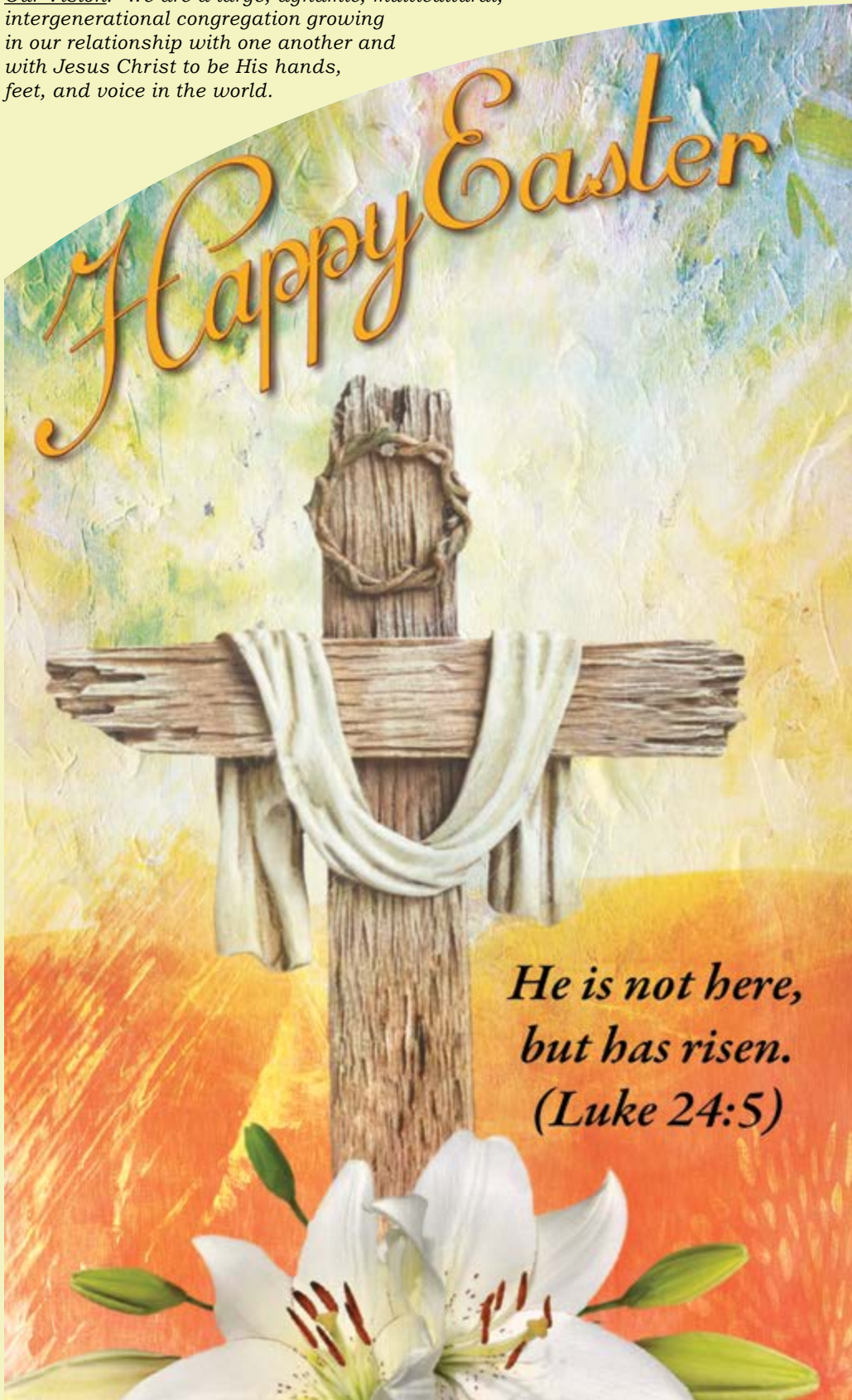


Rev. Harold Hendren, Senior Pastor
 Rev. Jim Divine, Lake Deaton Pastor
 Rev. Marilyn Anell, Care Pastor



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.



*He is not here,
 but has risen.
 (Luke 24:5)*

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.”



Our Altar Flowers are Provided by...
 Eva Wellman in memory of her husband Vernon; Sid & Stephanie Drain in memory of Sid's parents, Walter Drain and Ruth Plym and his brother Larry Drain; and Betty Hughes, Linda Dawson, and Arne Skaar in memory of husband and father Leon G. Hughes.



Easter Flowers — Summerhill Campus
 If you purchased an Easter flower in memory or honor of a loved one, please pick it up in the Christian Life Center after the 10:45 Worship Service. The Memorial Booklets may be picked up at the kiosk in the Narthex.



Our Paschal Candles Have Been Provided by...
Saturday, Summerhill Worship Center
 • Joyce Edmonds in loving memory of her husband Ralph.
Sunday, Summerhill Christian Life Center
 • Joyce & Ralph Edmonds in honor of Elaine & Lyle Schenck and their loving support and friendship.



April Women's Gathering — "Tea-riffic"
Thursday, April 21 from 10–11:30 a.m. — Summerhill Worship Center
 "Out of Our Spout! Teapots with Character!" Come and join us for a tea party! Our topic will be about speaking to others as God would like us to speak. A luncheon will follow our program. Tickets are \$5.

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



Volunteers Needed
Coffee Ministry: We need a few folks willing to help serve coffee and cookies on Sunday mornings between Worship Services. Please contact Howard Bond at 753-0356 hdbond77@gmail.com.

Communion Servers: All services, especially at 10:45
 Please contact Jill or Lesan Van Syckle at 751-7447 and we will contact the Communion Steward for your requested service.

Kitchen Helpers: We need extra hands to help in the kitchen during WOW dinners and other special events: food prep, servers, clean-up, and dishwashers. If you are interested in training for any of these areas, please contact John Kellar at 750-4529 or jkellar@newcovenantumc-fl.org.

Your Scripture for this Week

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
March 27	1 Samuel 1-3	Joshua 16-18	Sunday: No Reading	John 18
March 28	1 Samuel 4-8	Joshua 19-21	Luke 2:21–52	John 19
March 29	1 Samuel 9-12	Joshua 22-24	Luke 3:1–20	John 20
March 30	1 Samuel 13-14	Judges 1-2	Luke 3:21–38	John 21
March 31	1 Samuel 15-17	Judges 3-5	Luke 4:1–30	Acts 1:1-14
April 1	1 Samuel 18-20	Judges 6-7	Luke 4:31–5:15	Matthew 1
April 2	1 Samuel 21-24	Judges 8-9	Luke 5:16–39	Matthew 2
April 3	1 Samuel 25-27	Judges 10-12	Sunday: No Reading	Matthew 3

“Do not be afraid; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here.” (Mark 16:6)

Lord, the grave could not hold you. We celebrate your empty tomb that gives us hope and the promise of eternal life. Thank you for the gift found in your Easter. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Saturday Christian Education Classes

3:45 p.m.	Wired Word	No class on Saturday
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Sunday Christian Education Classes

7:45 a.m.	Early Risers	No Class on Easter Sunday	Chapel
9 a.m.	Disciple II	No Class on Easter Sunday	Classroom 3
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	No Class on Easter Sunday	Classroom 2
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders Class	No Class on Easter Sunday	Classroom 11
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	No Class on Easter Sunday	Classrooms 6/7
9:15 a.m.	Wired Word	No Class on Easter Sunday	Chapel
10 a.m.	Wired Word	No Class on Easter Sunday	Classroom 14
10 a.m.	Wired Word	No Class on Easter Sunday	Classrooms 6/7
10 a.m.	Wesley Class	No Class on Easter Sunday	Classroom 11

NO Sunday School classes Easter Weekend. See you next week!

Childcare is available beginning at 9:15 a.m. on Easter Sunday.

New Covenant United Methodist Church

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Contemporary Worship Saturday 5:00 p.m.
 Blended Worship Sunday 7:45 • 9:15 • 10:45 a.m.
 Children's Orchard Worship Sunday 10:45 a.m.
 Lake Deaton Worship (Eisenhower Rec Center) Sunday 8:30 • 10:00 a.m.

Worship attendance for last week: 3,153
 (BEACH) 0 • (Celebrate Recovery) 97 • (Youth) 18 • (Orchard Worship) 28
 (Saturday Contemporary) 346 • (Sunday) 7:45–390 • 9:15–1,011 • 10:45–831
 (Lake Deaton) 8:30–186 • 10:00–246

The Word of **God** is alive and active! Hebrews 4:12

Bible Studies Ministries



Anthony Ray Hinton Comes to New Covenant...
Mr. Hinton was released from jail after spending 30 years on death row for a crime he did not commit. He has since stated that, "I just never, never believed that God would allow me to die for something that I didn't do. I didn't know how he was going to work it out, but I believed that he would work it out."

Join us at all four Worship Services on April 16/17 to hear from Mr. Hinton.



Upcoming New Member Classes
Did you know there are different types of church memberships? You may choose to retain your membership with another United Methodist Church (Affiliate membership), or church of another denomination (Associate membership), or Full membership.

- 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)

- September New Member Classes:**
- **Lake Deaton Campus:** Sunday, Sept 18 from 11:15 a.m.–1:15 p.m. (lunch provided)
 - **Summerhill Campus:** Monday, Sept 19 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 a long-time member, visit the Connectional Ministry kiosk in the Summerhill Narthex and find out how to get involved and connected — to a caring community, to service, or to membership.

Learn more about "C3" (Caring for our Covenant Community), our new five-minute ministry. Please join us for our next C3 Caller Training on Tuesday, April 5 from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. in Summerhill Classroom 11.



WOW Dinner (See Time Change)
Wednesday, March 30 at 4:30 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center
Please join us for dinner followed by a presentation by SALT on our Quarterly Review. The program will begin at 5:30 p.m.

- **Menu:** Home Style Chicken Noodle Soup, Crispy Broccoli Slaw, Baked Cod topped with Shrimp & Lemon Butter Sauce, Roasted Red Potatoes, Key Largo Blend Vegetables, Dinner Rolls, and Chocolate Layer Cake
- **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.

- April 6 at 5:45 p.m. — Watch the movie "War Room"**
- April 13–May 11: Follow up with a five-week study developed directly from the movie to enrich your spiritual journey.



Small Group Bible Study on the Movie "War Room"
Thursday, April 7 at 1:30 p.m. (see the movie) — Summerhill Chapel
Then beginning on Thursday, April 14 at 2 p.m., continue with a small group study in Classroom 3. We will meet as a large group for the DVD portion and then break into discussion groups for the study.

For more information, call Kathy Hudak Yoakum at 750-4529.

Outreach Ministry



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, a silent auction, and lots of fun. Net proceeds benefit New Covenant's Helping Hands Outreach Ministry.

Registration Deadline is April 9. Registration forms are available at the Welcome Center in the Summerhill East or West Narthex. For more information, please contact John Kelley at 259-6380 or kellyjs67@aol.com.



Volunteers Needed at Bargains & Blessings
Bargains and Blessings needs volunteers for the donation intake division of the store. Positions will soon be vacant due to volunteers traveling north. If you can help, please call Betty Montgomery at 751-6798.



Residents Encounter Christ (REC) Jail Ministry
Thursday, April 7 from 6:30-8 p.m. — Fairway Christian Church
REC Ministry will hold a social gathering with desserts and beverages. REC is an inter-denomination ministry which includes Christians from over (60) churches. Together they bring a three-day program into our county jails.

This gathering is open to anyone who may be interested in the REC community or learning more about this ministry. If you would like to join us, please RSVP by Monday, April 4 to Carolyn Elkins at 751-5750 or carolynelkins6@yahoo.com.



Emmaus Gathering
Thursday, April 14 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Chapel
Anyone who has attended an Emmaus Walk, Cursillo, or Tres Dias is invited to the Tri-County Emmaus Gathering. Come and enjoy a time of fellowship, singing, and communion. Light refreshments will be served.

For more information, please contact Nancy Casto at 633-3288 or nancasto@gmail.com.



Water4 Well Project
During Lent, we are collecting 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 a jar located at one of the church exits before or after Worship Services. You may also "purchase a Donation Ticket" (increments of \$10, \$20, \$50, \$100, or \$250) on our website at www.newcovenantumc-fl.org (Event Tickets tab) or at the Summerhill Ticket Kiosk in the West Narthex between Worship Services. **As of March 20, we have collected \$51,275.**

FACT: Four out of five water bottles contribute to three billion pounds of waste.



Pastoral Care



PrimeTime
Thursday, April 14 at 10 a.m. — Summerhill Worship Center
Join us for singing, fellowship, inspiration, and more!
Program: 10–11:30 a.m. • Lunch: 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

The program is followed by lunch for \$5 payable at the door. To make a reservation, call the office at 750-4529 by Monday, April 11 and indicate if you need transportation.



Life Inventories Available
A Life Inventory Form helps your church and your family with any final plans you wish to have for your memorial service. They are kept on file in the Care Office, so this handy reference is available to help with your requests. New Members receive these in their information packet.

Completing a Life Inventory Form early allows you the opportunity to prayerfully and thoughtfully consider the aspects you want in your memorial service. Please stop by the Care Office and pick up one at any time.



Helen's Helpers
Our respite care ministry needs YOU! We need more volunteers to aid in this important ministry that helps primary caregivers receive a short break by staying with their loved ones. This ministry is not a substitute for professional, in-home care but is designed to assist in giving a 1-3 hour break for the caregiver.

This is completely run and managed by volunteers. We will provide training to prepare you for your respite care. Contact the Care office to learn more 750-4529.



The Gift of Prayer
The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for: Jeanne K. who has cancer and Michele Leoncini undergoing radiation and chemo. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...
Dale & Dolores Babbit and family on the loss of their daughter Susan; Carol K. Watson and family on the loss of her sister Emma Lou Copher; and Verna & Jack Kolman and family on the loss of daughter-in-law Anne.

For dates and locations of memorial services, please visit our website (www.newcovenantumc-fl.org) and click the Calendar button.

This Week's Prayer Concerns:					
Bill Barron	Mary Barrows	Robert Bishop	Scott Gillespie	Family of Laura Paradise	Karen Fedro
Gavin Forest & Family	Denise Hogler	Teresa Kelly	Joy Kuchinski	Megan	Molly
Delores	Linda Rider	Dolores Sinen	Carol K. Watson	Tracy Warble	

Parking
We want to encourage our Sunday worshipers to park in the Summerhill East Parking Lot. We have plenty of parking spaces on the east side and we would like our visitors to feel welcome. Thank you.

Church and Office Closed
Please remember that the church and office will be closed on Monday, March 29 so that all staff may enjoy the Easter Monday holiday.

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Your



concerts
EVENTS



The Villages Flute Choir Spring Concert

Tuesday, March 29 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center

"A Musical Celebration of Dance" conducted by William Sand.

A \$5 donation at the door will benefit our Helping Hands Ministry.



Relay for Life

Friday, April 1 from 3-8 p.m. — Summerhill East Parking Lot

Please help support the American Cancer Society by attending the annual *Relay for Life* event.



Melody of Love

Monday, April 11 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center

Over 20 different acts, including singing, instrumentalists, and dancing, promise to provide a delightful evening of fun for all. All proceeds will be designated to Love INC (Love In the Name of Christ) for home repairs and necessities.

- General Admission Tickets: \$10

For tickets or more information, please call Paul Kramer at 259-8748 or Sylvia Gardner at 259-5941. Tickets are also available at Love INC Centsible Furnishings.



Youth Summer Mission Trip Fund Raiser

Friday, April 15 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center

Support our youth summer mission trip by attending the Titanic Event featuring music, historical narrative, and video. The youth will transform the Worship Center into the "Captain's Dining Room" for Artist Circle Ticket Holders to enjoy a dessert reception and additional entertainment following the featured event. This is an evening you will not want to miss!

- Artist Circle Tickets: \$25 • General Admission Tickets: \$15

Tickets may be purchased at The West Narthex Ticket Kiosk, The Villages Box Office, and on our website at www.newcovenantumc-fl.org



The Villages Wind Ensemble

Sunday, April 17 at 3 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center

Under the direction of Jill Van Syckle, The Villages Wind Ensemble will present their Spring concert. A portion of the net proceeds benefits New Covenant's Missions in Bombita, Dominican Republic.

- 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.



The Choralettes

Tuesday, April 19 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center

Join the Choralettes as they present "An American Journey."

A Love Offering to benefit New Covenant's Helping Hands ministry will be received.