

**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.”*



**The Villages Orchestra Spring Concert**  
 Thursday, April 28 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center  
 Sean Pollock will be the guest concert pianist playing Gershwin's *Rhapsody in Blue* at the Villages Orchestra's Spring Concert under the direction of Kenneth Hay. Enjoy the All-Villages-Residents Orchestra play Tchaikovsky's *Romeo and Juliet Overture*, Copland's *Hoe-Down*, a salute to Cole Porter, Debussy's *Golliwogg's Cake Walk*, plus a variety of other favorite selections.

• Artist Circle Tickets: \$20 • General Admission Tickets: \$17  
 Tickets may be purchased at The Villages Box Office and at the door.



**Ivan Parker: A New Covenant "Homecoming"**  
 Sunday, May 29 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center  
 Delight in music featuring Ivan Parker, former singer with the Gaither Homecoming Artists and the New Covenant Chancel Choir. The concert will feature a special time of Memorial Day Commemoration led by Pastor Marilyn Anell.  
 A Love Offering will be accepted.



**Volunteers Needed**  
**Bargains & Blessings Resale Shop:** Bargains & Blessings needs volunteers for the donation intake division of the store. If you can help, please call Betty Montgomery at 751-6798.

**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 or [hdbond77@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:jkellar@newcovenantumc-fl.org).

**Your Scripture for this Week**

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
April 24	2 Kings 9-11	Psalms 43-45/49/84-85/87	Sunday: No Reading	Matthew 24
April 25	2 Kings 12-14	1 Chronicles 3-5	Luke 16	Matthew 25
April 26	2 Kings 15-17	Psalms 73/77-78	Luke 17:1-19	Matthew 26
April 27	2 Kings 18-19	1 Chronicles 6	Luke 17:20-37	Matthew 27
April 28	2 Kings 20-22	Psalms 81/88/92-93	Luke 18:1-27	Matthew 28
April 29	2 Kings 23-25	1 Chronicles 7-10	Luke 18:28-19:10	Luke 1
April 30	1 Chronicles 1-2	Psalms 102-104	Luke 19:11-27	Luke 2
May 1	1 Chronicles 3-5	2 Samuel 5:1-10; 1 Chronicles 11-12	Sunday: No Reading	Luke 3

*"All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability." (Acts 2:4)*

*Loving Lord,* we ask for your divine Holy Spirit to speak your truth into our hearts.  
 May all we do, say, and experience during worship glorify you, King of Kings!  
 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
9:15 a.m.	Childcare	Children ages birth to 5 years old	Nursery
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	Did Jesus Say That?	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	Restorative Faith	Chapel
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Spiritual Direction	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.

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.

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 A Place to Call Home

Worship attendance for last week: 2,877

(BEACH) 46 • (Celebrate Recovery) 90 • (Youth) 26 • (Orchard Worship) 31  
 (Saturday Contemporary) 460 • (Sunday) 7:45-281 • 9:15-945 • 10:45-703  
 (Lake Deaton) 8:30-131 • 10:00-164



*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.

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



*The Brightest Week of the Summer is on its Way!*

**July 11-15** Children and Family Ministries is pleased to announce our theme for Vacation Bible School 2016: *Cave Quest – Following Jesus the Light of the World!* At *Cave Quest*, kids will explore the rock-solid foundation of Jesus' love. They'll participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play team-building games, make and dig into yummy treats, experience cool Bible adventures, collect Bible Memory Buddies to remind them of the ultimate guiding light — Jesus — and test out Sciency-Fun Gizmos they'll take home and play with all summer long.

**Summer Camp Registration Opens Today!**

To make registration easier, this year you are able to register for all the summer camps at one time! Stop by the kiosk to pick up this summer's camp registration brochure and registration form. Summer camps available this year include Performing Arts, Basketball, VBS, and Teachers' Kids' Camp.

**We can't do this without you!**

We are anticipating over 130 kids this year and we need your help. We need station leaders, crew leaders, and registration helpers. Please visit the kiosk in the Summerhill Narthex between Worship Services to volunteer, or contact Jessica Istre in the church office at 750-4529 or [jistre@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:jistre@newcovenantumc-fl.org).

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

# Bible Studies Ministries



## WOW Dinner

Wednesday, April 27 at 4:45 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center

Please join us for dinner followed by part three of a five-week Bible study based on the movie, *War Room*.

This DVD-driven study was developed from the movie and will be followed by group discussion. The cost of materials is \$9 per study guide (available that evening or in the Administration Office). Cash or checks are accepted.

- **Menu:** Green Split Pea Soup with Ham, Chopped Salad, Baked Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Tiny Whole Carrots, Dinner Rolls, and French Silk Pie.
- **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.



## Men's Ministry: Fourth Quarter Christianity

Saturday, May 7 from 8 a.m.–2 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center

Saturday, May 14 from 7:30 a.m.–12 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center

Join Pastor Gary Cantrell as he offers another opportunity to men who were unable to attend his retreat last month. This two-part retreat will be held on consecutive Saturday mornings, and will include two breakfasts and one lunch.

All materials are just \$15. Sign up at the kiosk in the Summerhill Narthex between Worship Services. For more information, please contact Al Letch at 753-5952.

## 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](mailto: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.

Please join us for our next C3 Caller Training on Tuesday, May 24 from 6:30–8 p.m. in Summerhill Classroom 11.



## New Covenant UMC Events Calendar

**Reminder!** All the events, meetings, and classes can be found on our website. Just log onto [www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://www.newcovenantumc-fl.org) and click on the calendar icon.

# Outreach Ministry



## Congo Mission Trip Photo Presentation

Sunday, May 1 at 3 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center

Join us for presentation by the Congo Mission Team. Pastors Jim and Marilyn and the rest of the Mission Team will share their pictures and stories from their trip to the Congo this past summer.



## Thank You from Water4!

Thank you New Covenant UMC for your donation to **Water4!** It was a fun afternoon here celebrating the impact the people from New Covenant are going to have on our work in the Congo! With your help, Jesus continues to meet people at the well. —Michael Mitchell, Director of Development, Water4



## Anthony Ray Hinton

We were honored to have Mr. Ray Hinton as our guest speaker at all four Summerhill Worship Services last weekend. If you would like to send Mr. Hinton a thank you note, a word of encouragement, or a birthday card (His birthday is June 1), his address is... Ray Hinton: 427 Shilah Road, Quinton, AL 35130.



## Bargains & Blessings Resale Shop

301 N. Main Street, Wildwood, FL 34785 • (352) 330-3333

There are lots of great items in our shop, but we need your donations! Tell your friends and neighbors, too!

If you are down-sizing, moving, or just want something new — don't forget to call Bargains & Blessings to pick up your gently-used furniture. The first Saturday and Sunday of each month, the Bargains & Blessings truck will be at the Summerhill Campus to accept your donations. You may drop off your donations before or after Worship Services. Our next pick-up will be next weekend, April 30/May 1.

### Hours for Our Resale Shop

- Tuesday–Friday from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. • Saturday from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.



## Going North for the Summer or on Vacation?

Let church volunteers secure your home in the event of a disaster. Simply complete The "Release of Liability" form found on the church website and return it to the church office. In the event of an emergency, repairs will be made to your home to keep it safe.

If you have any questions, please call Larry Frum at (352) 638-0533.



## Celebrate Recovery

Celebrate Recovery is a ministry designed to help regular folks like you and me, who are on a journey toward wholeness. CR is for anyone seeking recovery and celebrating God's healing from life's hurts, habits, and hang-ups. We currently have two meetings in two locations to fit your schedule. We offer childcare at both sites.

### Wildwood United Methodist Church

- Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

### New Covenant United Methodist Church

- Fridays at 5:45 p.m.

For more information, please contact Jill Beck at or [jbeck@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:jbeck@newcovenantumc-fl.org) or (352) 750-4529.

# Pastoral Care



## Hope for Hurting Parents

Thursday, April 28 from 2–3:30 p.m. — Summerhill Classroom 14

Monday, May 2 from 6–7:30 p.m. — Summerhill Classroom 1

There is no shame in asking for help and support.

This group is for parents (and grandparents) of children who struggle with addiction, incarceration, mental health challenges, and other life-altering events.



## Special Prayer and Worship Service

Thursday, May 5 from 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center

The theme for this National Day of Prayer is *Wake Up America*. The New Covenant Summerhill Campus Choir will be singing.

For more information, please visit [www.nationaldayofprayer.org](http://www.nationaldayofprayer.org)



## PrimeTime

Thursday, May 12 at 10 a.m. — Summerhill Worship Center

Please join us for inspirational music and stories, fellowship and a short message.

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, May 9 and indicate if you need transportation.



## Beyond the Broken Heart

Begins Monday, June 6 at 10 a.m. — Summerhill Classroom 3

Care Ministry realizes that grief does not know time or seasons. We offer GriefShare® in the spring and the fall; *Beyond the Broken Heart* is here to help during the summer months. *Beyond the Broken Heart* is an eight-week program that helps and supports those who are struggling with grief and loss. Written by a United Methodist pastor's wife, this study addresses the emotions and practicalities of a loss. Let someone walk alongside you on this journey.

This program is open to our church and our community. The cost of the book is \$10 and scholarships are available as needed. Contact Barb Prindle in the Care Office at 750-4529 or [bprindle@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:bprindle@newcovenantumc-fl.org) to let us know that you wish to attend, so that we have an adequate amount of books.



## Our Prayers

*The Prayer Quilt on the Altar Rail is for...*

Ashley Kern, shot in a drive-by shooting and paralyzed from the waist down. Please come to the prayer rail during prayer time and offer a prayer for peace, comfort, and healing.

## Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...

Scott & Linda Werner, family and friends on the loss of their son-in-law Mike Fultz.

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

This Week's Prayer Concerns:					
Allie Bahnsen	Tom DeMont	Everett Farmer	Mike Fultz' Family	Bertha Forward	Becky Garrett
Norman Hamilton	Gary Hilbert	Jan Hilgenfeld	Robert Isherwood, Sr.	Jonathan	Rebecca Kurland
Harriett Oakley	Laura Porter	Jim Severson	Galen Spittler	Sue Stephenson	Charles Trask
Jim Walter	Carol Watson's Family	Bruce Wellnitz	Mary Wilcox	Shawn & Tobin Wittington	