

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.”



Dinner and Fellowship
Wednesday, September 30 at 4:45 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center
What On Earth Am I Here For? sermon series and church-wide group study. Our large group study begins directly after dinner.

- **Menu:** Individual Meatloaf, Yukon Gold Smashed Potatoes with Onion Gravy, Green Beans, Tortilla Soup, Tossed Salad, Rolls, and Carrot Cake.
- **Reservations are required:** Please enter “WOW” and the number attending in the last 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.
- **Price:** \$7 per adult, \$3 per child under 12, and \$15 per household (three or more people residing in the same house) — payable at the door.

Table Talk Dinner Groups
 Groups are now forming for October, November, and December. Table Talk is a small group of 6-8 people who share a meal once a month. Pick up a registration form at the Summerhill Welcome Center.

There will be three, four-month Table Talk sessions in 2016. The next session will be January–April. If you have any questions, please contact Patty Halstead at (352) 633-2470 or patty.charlie@comcast.net.

Holy Land Trip 2016
 If you are interested in going to the Holy Land next year, Pastor Harold will hold an informational meeting on Tuesday, October 20 at 10 a.m. in the Summerhill Chapel. For more details about the trip, pick up a brochure at the Welcome Center in the Summerhill Narthex or at the Information Center at Lake Deaton.

New Member Classes
 We have updated our membership path to consist of one “gateway” class offered four times a year. In this gateway class, you will hear about our vision of membership at New Covenant. You will join after completing your “gateway” class to be followed with enrichment classes throughout the year.

November New Member Classes
 • **Lake Deaton Campus:** Sunday, November 8 from 12–2 p.m. at the Eisenhower Rec Center
 • **Summerhill Campus:** Monday, November 9 from 6–8 p.m. in the Worship Center

Your Scripture for this Week

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
September 27	Habakkuk-Zephaniah	Nehemiah 6-7	Sunday: No Reading	Acts 1:1-14
September 28	Haggai 1-2	Nehemiah 8-10	2 Corinthians 12–13	Matthew 1
September 29	Zechariah 1-7	Nehemiah 11-13; Psalms 126	Galatians 1:1–17	Matthew 2
September 30	Zechariah 8-14	Malachi 1-4	Galatians 1:18–2:10	Matthew 3
October 1	Malachi 1-4	Luke 1; John 1:1-14	Galatians 2:11–3:18	Matthew 4
October 2	Matthew 1-4	Matthew 1; Luke 2:1-38	Galatians 3:19–4:20	Matthew 5
October 3	Matthew 5-6	Matthew 2; Luke 2:39-52	Galatians 4:21–5:15	Matthew 6
October 4	Matthew 7-8	Matthew 3; Mark 1; Luke 3	Sunday: No Reading	Matthew 7

Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ... No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. (Romans 8:35 & 37)

Lord, through our love and admiration for you, we trust that nothing can ever separate us from your everlasting love. We continue to find victory in you. Let us stand confident in our faith and know that your love will always prevail. 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
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	The Gospel in Hymns	Classroom 2
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders Class	Faith As Wesley Lived It	Classroom 11
9:15 a.m.	Faith Finders	Book of James — Developing a Faith that Works	Classrooms 6/7
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	The Book of Acts	Chapel
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Boomers and Retirement	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	Faith As Wesley Lived It	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
 Saturday 5:15 p.m. • Sunday 10:45 a.m.
 Website: www.newcovenantumc-fl.org

Lake Deaton Worship
 Sunday 9:15 • 10:45 a.m.
 (Eisenhower Rec Center)
 Facebook: New Covenant United Methodist Church ~ A Place to Call Home

Worship attendance for last week: 1,885
 (BEACH) 62 • (Celebrate Recovery) 99 • (Youth) 17 • (Orchard Worship) 22
 (Saturday Contemporary) 203 • (Sunday) 7:45–211 • 9:15–508 • 10:45–503
 (Lake Deaton) 9:15–158 • 10:45–102



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



WHAT ON EARTH AM I HERE FOR?

The spiritual premise of *What On Earth Am I Here For?* is that there are no accidents — God planned everything and everyone. Therefore, every human has a divine purpose, according to God’s master plan. This is not about self-exploration; it’s about purposeful devotion to God. This book is set up to be a 40-day immersion plan, recognizing that the Bible favors the number ‘40’ as a “spiritually significant time.”

This six-week sermon series and Biblical study is a great time to join or begin a small group at New Covenant. Our pastors will preach each week on subjects from the book, uniting both campuses. This Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, we begin our church-wide large and small group studies with the distribution of books and DVDs. Not in a small group? We can help! Please visit the Summerhill kiosk in the Narthex or the Lake Deaton Information Center this weekend to sign-up.

If you are not in a small group but would still like to participate, please join any of these large group studies:

- Tuesdays, September 29–November 10 from 10–11:30 a.m. Summerhill Worship Center
- Wednesdays, September 30–November 11 from 6–8 p.m. Summerhill Worship Center (following WOW dinner)
- Thursdays, October 1–November 12 from 2:30–4 p.m. Summerhill Chapel

These large groups will meet to watch a DVD, then break into smaller groups for the discussion time. You will receive your materials at the kick-off or from your group leader. The cost for materials is \$10 for the book and \$7 for the workbook.

If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at (352) 750-4529 or khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org.

Prayer Gatherings

- **Monday, October 19 from 1–2 p.m.**
 - **Monday, November 9 from 1–2 p.m.**
- Please join us in the Summerhill Chapel as we gather together to pray for our church during this sermon series and group study.**



Altar Flowers

Today's flowers are provided by: Karen Cleveland in memory of Jim on the anniversary of his death; Tom & Joyce Trewartha in memory of their 57th anniversary; and Royce and Shirley Perdew in celebration of their 65th anniversary.

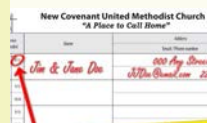
The Altar Flower Sign-Up Book is located at the Welcome Center in the Summerhill Narthex. A \$40 donation will reserve your preferred date in honor or in memory of your special person or event. To guarantee publishing, please sign up no later than 10 days prior to your requested date. The sign-up sheet is removed the Monday morning prior to publication.



Communion Volunteers Needed

We need volunteers to prepare and serve the elements for our Communion table. No special talent is necessary, just a willing heart. We especially need someone for the 7:45 Worship Service.

Communion Stewards recruit servers from a pool of established volunteers, set up the altar, and help the Pastor pass out the elements. We also need someone to purchase the juice/bread, and cut the bread. Please contact Jill or Lesan Van Syckle at (352) 751-7447.



Volunteers Needed After Worship Services

We need volunteers to help refresh the red attendance books after Worship Services. Please contact Dorothy Brown at (352) 391-5148.



Volunteers Needed as Ushers

We are looking for ushers for the 7:45 a.m. Worship Service. If you are interested, please contact Lou and Jerry Emmert at (352) 350-2090.



Volunteers Needed as Greeters

If you can smile, welcome a stranger, shake a hand, and are willing to serve before or after your Worship Service — we need you. Please contact Linda Fabing at (352) 446-8371 or fabrinric@aol.com.



Volunteers Needed to Assist at Memorial Services

Additional volunteers are needed at Memorial Services to usher and assist at the receptions. Please call Audrey Kramer at (352) 259-8748.



Bargains & Blessings Monthly Pick-up

The first Saturday and Sunday of each month, the Bargains & Blessings truck will be in the Summerhill parking lot to accept your donations. You may drop off your donations before or after Worship Services.



Annual Charge Conference

Sunday, October 18 at 3 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center
New Covenant will host our District Cluster Group Charge Conference on Sunday, October 18. We will have worship at 3 p.m. with the meeting to follow at 4 p.m. Please join us!



Women's Ministry Monthly Gathering

Thursday, October 15 from 10–11:30 a.m. — Summerhill Worship Center
Come and be inspired by "Simple Gifts" — the gifts we are blessed with, the gifts we share, and the gifts we receive from others. Music and talent that will inspire us all.

A lunch will follow for a suggested donation of \$5. Please RSVP by Thursday, September 10 to Risè Segur at rsegur@gmail.com or (352) 350-6370. Please indicate lunch or no lunch and if you need gluten-free.



Fourth Quarter Christianity

Monday, Nov 2 from 10 a.m.–3 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center
A special event featuring Lou Holtz, widely-known and respected football coach, TV commentator and analyst, motivational speaker, and devout man of God! Join us for a time of inspiring music and messages. A delicious box lunch is included!

This is the last weekend that tickets are available for \$20 at the kiosk in the Summerhill Narthex. Tickets will **only** be available at the Villages Box Office beginning October 1.

Fall Gospel Series



The Kramers

Sunday, October 11 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center
The Kramers will share their music during our Sunday morning Worship Services at the Summerhill Campus on October 11. Later that evening, they will present a concert for our enjoyment. The concert is free and open to the public. A love offering will be accepted.



Sean & Friends

Friday, October 30 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center
Sean Pollock, Pathway Trio, and special country artist Courtney Cole will share a delightful evening of Southern gospel — with a touch of country.

This concert is free and open to the public. A love offering will be accepted to benefit the Debt Elimination fund.



Brian Free & Assurance and The Jim Brady Trio

Thursday, November 12 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center
Two great concerts — one big night! Two of Southern Gospel's most recognized music groups.



Tickets are \$10, \$15, \$20, or \$25 depending on seat selection. Tickets are available only through The Villages Box Office.



PrimeTime

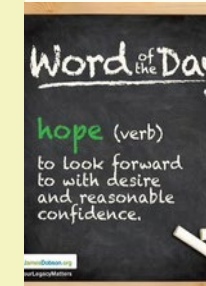
Thursday, October 8 from 10–11:30 a.m. — Summerhill Worship Center
We will share special music from Pat Smith and Brian Maderos, devotional time with Bonnie Campbell, inspirational words from Sylvia Wagner, a special clown ministry time, all followed by a healthy and delightful meal for \$5 (payable at the door).

To make a reservation, call the office at 750-4529 by Monday, October 5 and indicate any need for transportation.



It Isn't Too Late to Join GriefShare®

Mondays at 10 a.m. — Summerhill Chapel
You are welcome to join GriefShare at any time. Grief is not meant to be walked alone — allow our group to walk alongside you.



Hope for Hurting Parents

New Evening Session begins Monday, October 5 at 6 p.m. in Classroom 11
For parents and grandparents of children who struggle with addiction, incarceration, mental illness, estrangement, and other traumatic life events. There are many who suffer in silence and loneliness. Invite someone to come to Hope for Hurting Parents. At our first Monday meeting, we are happy to welcome back Tom and Dena Yohe who wrote and developed the curriculum.

The new session will meet on the first and third Mondays at 6 p.m. in Classroom 11, in addition to the group that meets on the second and fourth Thursdays at 2 p.m. in Classroom 2. For more information, please call the Care office at (352) 750-4529.



The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilt on the altar rail is for Phillip Caiazza, who has stage-4 cancer. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

Keep Them in Your Prayers

Our Christian love and sympathy are extended to Sue Wyman and family on the loss of her husband Ralph. The memorial service is scheduled for Saturday, October 3 at 12 p.m. in the Worship Center.

Pastor Vidalis Lopez' father, Vidal Cordova, has recently passed away. His service was held Wednesday, September 23 at Roberts Funeral Home in Ocala.

Upcoming Memorial Service

Virginia Wainscott: Friday, October 2 at 2:30 p.m. at Bushnell

Upcoming Inurnment Service

Robert Blake: Saturday, October 10 at 4 p.m. at the Columbarium

This Week's Prayer Concerns:					
Dorothy Adcock	Robin Arnstein	Caryl Baumann	Bob Blanchette	Jack Burns	Maria Davila
Karl Hartmann	Lloyd Hartman	Carol & Chuck Lent	Kathie Little	Nathan	Jordan Massey
Sandy Miller	John O'Reilly	Ed Orndoff	Laura Paradise	Vern Phillips	Jack Repcheck
Elizabeth Scott	Vernon & Eva Wellman	Leslie Williams			