



**Wonderful Wednesday Dinner & Fellowship**  
**February 8 at 4:30 p.m. — Worship Center**  
 We continue with *Seven Words of Love*, a Lenten series presented by Pastor Gary Cantrell. The program will begin at 5:30 p.m. following dinner.

**Dinner Tickets:** \$8 per person. Tickets are available on our website (\$9.39 credit card), and at the Ticket Kiosk. You must purchase a ticket by noon on Monday, February 6.

**Menu:** Chicken Tortellini Soup, Caesar Salad, Vegetable Lasagna Alfredo, Baked Stuffed Zucchini, Garlic Toast, and Cannoli.



**Altar Flowers**  
 Today's flowers are provided by Jim and Ann Heilbron in memory of their son Brett on his birthday.

**Attention All Chili Cooks!**  
**Friday, Feb. 10 from 5:30–8:30 p.m. — Wildwood Community Center**  
 Do you think you have the best chili recipe? Would you like to show off your skills? Enter the Lake Deaton chili cook-off. Anyone can enter: small groups, individuals, and neighbors. Judging will be done by everyone in attendance. Bragging rights go to the winner.

There will be hot dogs for the younger ones and, to top it off, there will be an ice cream sundae bar. Entertainment by *After the Storm*, so put on your dancing shoes and have an evening of fun. Cost is by donation. If you have any questions, please contact JulieAnn Davis at (814) 450-4899 or [kpdandjad@roadrunner.com](mailto:kpdandjad@roadrunner.com).

- Chili stand setup between 4–5 p.m. (Judging begins at 5:30 p.m.)
- Monetary donation is appreciated

**Honduras Mission Trip Opportunity Presentation**  
**Wednesday, February 15 at 1:30 p.m. — Worship Center**  
 Join us for a presentation on how you can participate in an August Mission Trip to Honduras. New Covenant will partner with Community UMC for this exciting trip. Pastor Loida Divine will be joining us to talk about the details.

**Tri-County Emmaus Gathering**  
**Thursday, February 16 at 6:30 p.m. — Belleview UMC**  
 This Gathering will be a covered dish dinner; please bring a salad, vegetable dish, or a casserole. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Nancy Casto at (352) 633-3288 or [nancasto@gmail.com](mailto:nancasto@gmail.com).

There are openings for the March 2-5 Men's Walk and the April 27-30 Women's Walk. If you need sponsorship information or have Walk questions, please contact Aldersgate Registrar Elaine Gillam at (352) 208-6987 or [gillam5758@aol.com](mailto:gillam5758@aol.com).

**Your Scripture for this Week**

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
February 5	Leviticus 14-15	Exodus 19-21	Sunday: No Reading	Mark 8
February 6	Leviticus 16-18	Exodus 22-24	Matthew 22:23–46	Mark 9
February 7	Leviticus 19-21	Exodus 25-27	Matthew 23	Mark 10
February 8	Leviticus 22-23	Exodus 28-29	Matthew 24:1–26	Mark 11
February 9	Leviticus 24-25	Exodus 30-32	Matthew 24:27–44	Mark 12
February 10	Leviticus 26-27	Exodus 33-35	Matthew 24:45–25:13	Mark 13
February 11	Numbers 1-2	Exodus 36-38	Matthew 25:14–46	Mark 14
February 12	Numbers 3-4	Exodus 39-40	Sunday: No Reading	Mark 15

*So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. (Matthew 5:23-24)*

*Lord, help us to live into, and take responsibility for, what you taught us, "If I am willing to forgive you... you must be willing to forgive others." The truth of the matter is, Lord, we all would have more joy in life if we could just do what you asked. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.*

**Lake Deaton New Construction Update**  
**So far we have received \$1, 539,491 in pledges.**  
**Thank you for your support as we continue to grow our church and Christ's Kingdom!**

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	God Can Change Our Lives	Chapel
9:15 a.m.	Childcare	Children ages birth to 5 years old	Nursery
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	Ecclesiastes, Meet Jesus	Classroom 2
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders Class	Half Truths by Adam Hamilton	Classroom 11
9:15 a.m.	Faith Finders	God Can Change Our Lives	Classrooms 6/7
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	The Birthing of a New Community	Chapel
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Nones and Belief	Classroom 14
10:30 a.m.	The Searchers	God Can Change Our Lives	Classrooms 6/7
10:30 a.m.	Spirited Singles	Christian group discussion	Classroom 3
10:45 a.m.	Wesley Class	Half Truths by Adam Hamilton	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. (Classroom 1)

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

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**Worship Attendance for Last Week: 2,845**  
 (BEACH) 47 • (Roots) 27 • (Orchard Worship) 12 • (Teen Twilight) 32  
 (Fresh Expressions) 46 • (Celebrate Recovery) 91 • (Saturday Contemporary) 326  
 (Sunday Summerhill) 7:45–252 • 9:15–858 • 10:45–736  
 (Sunday Lake Deaton) 8:30–151 • 10:00–267

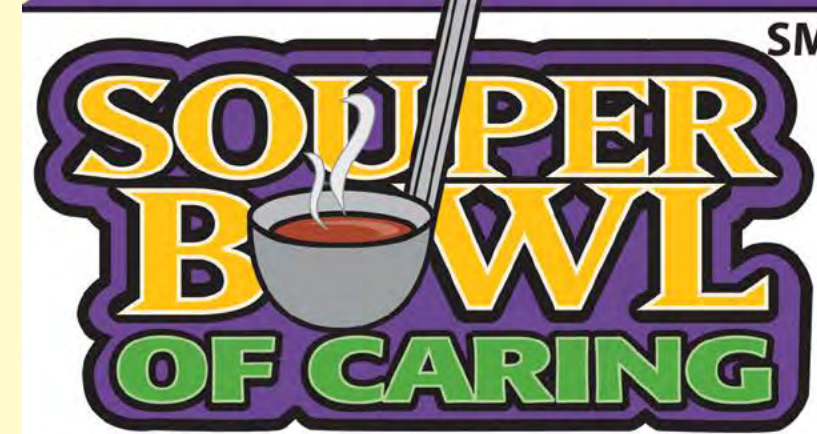
**SUMMERHILL CAMPUS**

**FEBRUARY 4 & 5, 2017**



Rev. Harold Hendren, Senior Pastor  
 Rev. Jim Divine, Lake Deaton Pastor  
 Rev. Kristyne Young, Pastor of Congregational Life  
 Rev. Marilyn Anell, Visitation 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.*



**WILDWOOD SOUP KITCHEN**

**Let's Team Up... and Tackle Hunger!**

We've been waiting all year, and Super Bowl weekend is finally here!! Even though each of us may not be cheering for the same team to win, we all have a chance to come together for a great cause. Please join our New Covenant team and donate towards this year's *'Souper' Bowl of Caring!*

This Christ-centered organization aims to join youth and communities together to help tackle hunger locally. The funds raised from this week-end-long event will help to support the local Wildwood Soup Kitchen.

Students from New Covenant's Youth Ministry will collect donations at the doors, before and after this weekend's Worship Services, at both Summerhill and Lake Deaton campuses.



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





### Women's Ministry Monthly Gathering

Thursday, February 16 from 10-11:30 a.m. — Worship Center "Detour Ahead!" with Cindy Johnson. Cindy is a singer, songwriter, speaker, and author of *My Journey to Joy*, as well as her newest children's book, *Your Forever Home*. She will speak on the topic, "When God Has Another Plan." Lunch Tickets are \$6.

Tickets are available on our website (credit card fees will be applied) and at the Ticket Kiosk in the West Narthex between Worship Services. "FREE" tickets are available for the program only. **Tickets sales conclude on Monday, February 13 at noon.** No tickets (including the FREE, program-only tickets) will be available after the cut-off date.



### Volunteers Needed for Ticket Sales

Volunteers are needed to sell tickets in the Ticket Kiosk following weekend Worship Services. Training will be provided and there are flexible schedules. For more information, please visit the Ticket Kiosk or contact Rise Segur at (352) 350-6370 or Candi Ginns at [cginns@aol.com](mailto:cginns@aol.com).



### Helping Hands All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, February 18 from 7:30-10 a.m. — Worship Center

The annual pancake breakfast tickets are available this weekend at the kiosk in the East Narthex for \$7 per person. We encourage you to pick up packs of ten tickets. For individual tickets, please purchase at the door the day of the breakfast.

Net proceeds benefit the Helping Hands home renovation projects.



### SoZo Kids Quarterly Meeting

Tuesday February 7, 1 p.m. — Worship Center

Join us for our quarterly meeting of the SoZo Kids Club of The Villages and hear a report about a ministry program for the children of the Ocala National Forest who live in rural poverty.

The February meeting will celebrate the Club's four-year anniversary, review achievements of 2016, and plan activities for 2017. For more information on the SoZo Kids, please visit their website: <https://sozokids.org>.



### 30 Hours of Famine

Thank you to everyone who contributed towards our 30 Hours of Famine. We raised \$3,263 to help feed children and families in need!



### Celebrate Recovery

Celebrate Recovery 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 [jbeck@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:jbeck@newcovenantumc-fl.org) or (352) 750-4529.



### 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.

Monday, March 13 from 6-8 p.m. — Worship Center (coffee & cookies provided)

You may join the church the following weekend, March 18/19. Please pick up and fill out a New Member Registration form today. They may be found at the Connections Ministry kiosk in the East Narthex and at the Welcome Center, or contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at [khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org) or (352) 750-4529.



### Member Path Classes

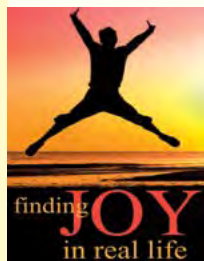
Our next set of Member Path Classes are open for registration. For more information or to sign up, please visit the kiosk in the East Narthex. You do not need to be a member to attend these classes.

Tuesday, February 14 & 21, from 10-11:30 a.m. — Chapel

- *John Wesley and Our Methodist Heritage.* Led by Pastor Harold Hendren, this two-part class will introduce you to the rich history of Methodism and its founder John Wesley.

Wednesdays, February 22-April 5 from 9-10:30 a.m. — Classroom 11

- *Network: Discover your Spiritual Gifts.* Led by Pastor Gary Cantrell, this seven-week course will help you to discover, understand, and utilize your Spiritual gifts. The cost for materials is \$10.



### Finding Joy in Real Life – 5 Habits for Living Well

Begin the New Year with our church-wide sermon series *Finding Joy in Real Life – 5 Habits for Living Well!* This five-week sermon series will look at the ways that God provides for joy in our lives. This sermon series will combine biblical foundations with everyday practices to help enrich your relationship with God and each other — to help us find the real joy intended for our lives.

There is still time to pick up your copy of the sermon series booklet. This booklet will provide you with readings, scripture, and reflection through the sermon series. The books are available to be picked up at the "Joy" kiosk in the East Narthex for a suggested donation of \$2 per participant guide.



### Getting Connected — Connectional Ministry

*Discover New Covenant!* Whether you are new to our congregation or a long-time member, visit the Connectional Ministry kiosk in the East Narthex and find out how to get connected — to a caring community, to service, or to membership.

We are located next to the double doors in the East Narthex (by the cookies!)



### Holy Land Trip in 2018

Wednesday, February 22 at 9:30 a.m. — Chapel

Pastor Harold will lead another trip to the Holy Land in May of 2018. If you are interested in going and would like to know more about the trip, please join us for an information meeting. There are also travel brochures at the Welcome Center in the East Narthex.



### PrimeTime

Thursday, February 9 from 10-11:30 a.m. — Worship Center

This month's program will include a devotion by Christine Webb, program by Magician David Berardi, and music with Pat Smith and Brian Maderos.

Our program is followed by lunch for \$6 payable at the door. To make a reservation, please call the office at (352) 750-4529 by Monday, February 6 and indicate if you need transportation.



### Happy Hands

Wednesdays from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. — Classroom 14

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry meets each week. If you are interested in helping, just stop by for a visit. This ministry is also looking for donations of yarn. If you are able to help, please drop off your donations in the Congregational Care Department.



### Stephen Ministry Is Here for You

Stephen Ministers are trained to walk beside those going through one of life's difficult times — whether illness, hospitalization, extended therapy, death of a loved one, learning to live alone, etc.

It is a calling that takes a commitment of 50 hours of initial training, dedication to bi-monthly meetings, and continuing education. Perhaps you have felt this calling to be that caring Christian friend to someone in need. We will begin a training class this fall.

For more information, please call the Congregational Care office at (352) 750-4529.



### Hospital Visitation

If you or a loved one enters the hospital, please inform the Care office at 750-4529. The ministers visit often and offer their support with prayer and encouragement to patient and family — a little bit of their medicine can be just what the doctor ordered.



### Home Communion

We are looking for volunteers to serve communion on a two-person team to the homebound or persons in medical or long-term facilities on the first Sunday of each month. For more information, please contact the Congregational Care Department at (352) 750-4529.



### The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilt on the altar rail is for Amanda Peszek who has cancer and will undergo chemo; and Yvonne Auxier who needs back surgery. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

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

Joseph McKinley, family and friends on the passing of his wife Joan.

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

### New Concerns

Caroline Bates, Nelson Bickley, Brenda Billings, Aaron Blaser, Bev Briggs, Audrey Coon, Conlon Family, Ken Corey, Dale Cullen, Tom Dorgan Family, Megan Gass, Roger Gorey, Mimi Hall, Kevin Hayes, Bob Jarvis, Ernest Kilgore, Kerry Kubo, Gert Marcotte, Dr. Charles Martin, Jaxson Payne, Steve Swanson, Connie Tacosik, Kim Webb, Alexandria Webb, Pat Webster



**Mark  
Your**



**upcoming  
concerts**



### **Elisabeth von Trapp**

**Thursday, February 9 at 7 p.m. — Christian Life Center**

The granddaughter of Maria and Baron von Trapp whose story inspired *The Sound of Music*, Ms. von Trapp has enthralled audiences worldwide and returns as a New Covenant favorite.

*A Love Offering will be accepted with a portion of the proceeds benefiting New Covenant's Congregational Care Ministry.*



### **Kramers in Concert**

**Sunday, February 12 at 6 p.m. — Christian Life Center**

Return appearance by this national and international gospel music family who have shared the concert platform with multiple Gaither Homecoming artists.

*A Love Offering will be accepted.*



### **Cindy Johnson in Concert**

**Thursday, February 16 at 6 p.m. — Worship Center**

Cindy Johnson is a gifted singer, author, and song writer. In her recent book, she talks about overcoming life's greatest challenges and finding joy in Christ even in spite of crisis and calamity.

Cindy will share songs that tell her story of strength, perseverance, and grace. She will also be singing during the following weekend (Feb. 18/19) Worship Services. Her husband Anthony Johnson will also give his amazing testimony about overcoming multiple tragedies and finding hope in Christ.

*A Love Offering will be accepted.*



### **Edwin "Ed" Starnar in Concert**

**Sunday, February 26 at 6 p.m. — Christian Life Center**

Join our own organist as he presents a recital featuring music of all genres. His amazing talent promises a great evening.

*A suggested donation of \$10 at the door will benefit New Covenant's Music Ministry.*



### **Toast of Tampa Show Chorus and Guests**

**Sunday, March 5 at 6 p.m. — Christian Life Center**

Toast of Tampa returns with 100+ voices bringing beautiful a cappella harmonies and amazing energy. Special guest performances by award-winning *Signature* and *The De Rosa 4*. A portion of the net proceeds benefits New Covenant's Men's Ministry.

*Tickets \$15 (General Admission) and \$20 (Artist Circle). Tickets may be purchased ONLY at The Villages Box Office ([www.thevillagesentertainment.com/buy-tickets](http://www.thevillagesentertainment.com/buy-tickets)).*



### **Celebration Brass Band**

**Sunday, March 12 at 6 p.m. — Worship Center**

Conducted by New Covenant's Jill Van Syckle, the Celebration Brass Band is joined by guest soloist Billie Thatcher in this concert featuring music from Sixteenth Century Europe to contemporary American spirituals. A portion of the net proceeds benefits the New Covenant Music Ministry.

*Tickets: \$15. Tickets will be available on our website at [www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://www.newcovenantumc-fl.org) or at the Ticket Kiosk in the West Narthex following Worship Services.*