

# Outreach Ministry



**Honduras Missions Team Meeting**  
**Sunday, March 5 at 12:15 p.m. — Community UMC Fellowship Hall**  
 Please bring your completed application and your \$200 deposit, payable to "NCUMC" with "Honduras Mission Trip" on the memo line. Also, please email Pastor Loida Divine at [ldivine.cumc@gmail.com](mailto:ldivine.cumc@gmail.com) to let her know you are attending so we can plan for lunch.

If you need an application or additional information, please email Kathy Groom at [kgroom@yahoo.com](mailto:kgroom@yahoo.com). Please be in prayer for this mission opportunity.



**AED/CPR Training**  
**Tuesday, March 21 from 1-3:30 p.m.**  
 If you are interested in being AED/CPR trained, training is available at the Sarasota Fire Station (Station 44 on S. Morris Boulevard). Classes are limited to 25 people and the cost is \$25 per person (to be paid at class time). If you would like to register, please call (352) 205-8280.



**Helping Hands Annual Golf Tournament**  
**Saturday, April 22 — Eagle Ridge Golf Club-Spruce Creek Del Webb**  
 Registration forms are available at the kiosk in the East Narthex. The tournament fee is \$85 (golf cart included) and is limited to 200 registrants. The Banquet and Silent Auction will be Sunday, April 23 in the Worship Center. Additional banquet tickets may be purchased for \$25.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact John Kelley at (352) 259-6380 or Buddy Acton at (352) 425-4457.



**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.



**Going North for the Summer or on Vacation?**  
 Allow church volunteers to secure your home in the event of a disaster. Simply complete a "Release of Liability" form and return it to the church office. These forms can be found on our church website at [www.newcovenantumc-fl.org/emergency-response-team/](http://www.newcovenantumc-fl.org/emergency-response-team/).

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



**Lions Club International "Recycle for Sight"**  
 Make a positive difference. Donate your usable eyeglasses and help someone see better. New Covenant now has a donation box in the Resource Room to place your old glasses.

**In consideration of allergic reactions of some worshipers, please refrain from wearing strong fragrances to Worship Services.**

## Your Scripture for this Week

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
March 5	Deuteronomy 17-20	Numbers 23-25	Sunday: No Reading	Luke 20
March 6	Deuteronomy 21-23	Numbers 26-27	Mark 8:11-38	Luke 21
March 7	Deuteronomy 24-27	Numbers 28-30	Mark 9:1-29	Luke 22
March 8	Deuteronomy 28-29	Numbers 31-32	Mark 9:30-50	Luke 23
March 9	Deuteronomy 30-31	Numbers 33-34	Mark 10:1-22	Luke 24
March 10	Deuteronomy 32-34	Numbers 35-36	Mark 10:23-52	John 1
March 11	Joshua 1-4	Deuteronomy 1-2	Mark 11:1-19	John 2
March 12	Joshua 5-8	Deuteronomy 3-4	Sunday: No Reading	John 3

*And Mary said, "I'm bursting with God-news; I'm dancing the song of my Savior God. God took one good look at me, and look what happened — I'm the most fortunate woman on earth! What God has done for me will never be forgotten, the God whose very name is holy, set apart from all others. His mercy flows in wave after wave on those who are in awe before him." (Luke 1:46-50 from The Message)*

*Lord, your mercy flows like a wave washing over us. Thank you, Lord, for your love, mercy, and forgiveness. We need you. Walk with us, Lord, during this season of Lent so that we may grow closer to 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
Sunday Christian Education Classes			
7:45 a.m.	Early Risers	God Can Change Our Lives (1 Thessalonians)	Chapel
9:15 a.m.	Childcare	Children ages birth to 5 years old	Nursery
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	Grace Alone	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 (1 Thessalonians)	Classrooms 6/7
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	God Loves Us	Chapel
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	The Johnson Amendment	Classroom 14
10:30 a.m.	The Searchers	God Can Change Our Lives (1 Thessalonians)	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.  
 3470 Woodridge Dr. • The Villages, FL 32162  
 Phone: 352-750-4529

**Blended Worship**  
 Sunday 7:45 • 9:15 • 10:45 a.m.  
 Fax: 352-259-2971  
 Email: [ncumc@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:ncumc@newcovenantumc-fl.org)

**Children's Orchard Worship**  
 Sunday 10:45 a.m. (Classroom 1)  
 Website: [www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://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: 3,114**  
 (BEACH) 62 • (Roots) 23 • (Orchard Worship) 11 • (Teen Twilight) 27  
 (Fresh Expressions) 33 • (Celebrate Recovery) 103 • (Saturday Contemporary) 336  
 (Sunday Summerhill) 7:45-255 • 9:15-1,021 • 10:45-814  
 (Sunday Lake Deaton) 8:30-191 • 10:00-238

## SUMMERHILL CAMPUS

## MARCH 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.*



## The choice of cremation over in-ground burial is growing at a rapid rate.

In some states, like Florida and California, it is now in the majority. The rapid increase in the acceptance of cremation has provided the church with an exceptional opportunity to offer a peaceful and serene final resting place at the church. The Serenity Garden Columbarium, located on the north side of the East Parking Lot, was built to provide such a place for church members and their loved ones.

Columbarium committee members will be at the kiosk in the East Narthex following Worship Services this weekend. For more information about the Columbarium or to request an appointment, please call one of the committee members listed below.

- Bob Freeman ..... (352) 751-0505
- Mick Hall ..... (970) 520-3848
- Bob Koehling ..... (352) 753-4074
- Ed Lovera ..... (352) 674-9154
- Virginia Newland ..... (352) 751-4283
- Linda Rimington ..... (352) 446-2702
- Sue Sullivan ..... (352) 430-2630
- Phil Waters ..... (352) 751-5076



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

# TidBits



## Altar Flowers

Today's flowers are provided by Susie Blaser in celebration of Gary Blaser's 70<sup>th</sup> birthday; and Barbara and Bradley Dalton in memory of her husband and his father Donald Dalton.



## 2017 Vision Survey — Due March 15

If you were unable to complete the survey that was emailed last Monday, we have paper surveys available this weekend after Worship Services at a kiosk in the East Narthex. The survey consists of ten open-ended questions, six demographic questions, and will typically take 15-20 minutes to complete. Please return your survey to the Administration Office no later than Wednesday, March 15. Thank you.

Please take the time to complete the survey so that we have your input in defining a clear strategic direction to guide us to the year 2030. Your survey is anonymous.



## Solo Flight Singles Monthly Meeting

Friday, March 17 at 4:30 p.m. — Chapel

All singles are invited to join us in worship and fellowship. Wendy Harding will present *Sound of My Rainbow—Taste of My Clouds*. The synesthetic experience of the physiological crossing of senses.

Please enter the Chapel through the outside parking lot door, and wear your name tag. If you have any questions, please call Laura Tomich at (352) 259-1200.



## Easter Flowers

On Easter Sunday, the Chancel Guild will have live potted plants on the Altar in the Christian Life Center. You can help by donating a plant in memory or in honor of a loved one.

Sign up at the kiosk in the East Narthex the weekend of March 18/19. Each Plant is \$10 and you may pay by cash or check when you sign up.



## Youth Car Wash

Saturday, March 25 from 9 a.m.–12 p.m. — West Parking Lot

Does your car need a good cleaning? We will be glad to do that! Net proceeds will go towards our Youth Mission Trips!

**Vouchers: \$5**

Vouchers will be available on our website at [www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://www.newcovenantumc-fl.org) and at the Ticket Kiosk between Worship Services beginning March 11. If you are unable to purchase a voucher, you will still be able to drive up and get your car washed.

## Upcoming Lent Series: *The Gospel of the Nobodies (Luke)*

During Lent, we are going to look at Luke's version of those people who in their day would be considered as "nobodies," but Jesus reveals to all the "nobodies" that they are actually "somebodies." Amazing how God does the same for all of us too! Join us during Lent as we all learn, grow and explore what it means to be a "Somebody" in Christ's eyes.

- March 4/5: *The Night Shift Workers*
- March 11/12: *The Disabled and the Sick*
- March 18/19: *The Demon Possessed*
- March 25/26: *The Prostitutes and the Prodigals*
- April 1/2: *The Homeless and the Beggars*
- April 8/9, Palm Sunday weekend: *The Thief on the Cross*
- April 13, Holy Thursday: *Beneath the Upper Room* (Choir production – 6 p.m.)
- April 14, Good Friday: *Hope in the Shadows* (Meditations and Music – 12 p.m.)
- April 15/16, Easter weekend: *The Last thing is Not the Worst Thing*



If you would like a "Look, Learn, Lead" study guide, they are available at the Welcome Center.

# Men's Ministry Women's Ministry Retreats



## Weathering Life Storms with Eva Piper

Saturday, March 11 from 10 a.m.–3 p.m. — Christian Life Center

The Women's Ministry presents a day of sharing with noted author Eva Piper (*A Walk Through the Dark*).

Wife of Don Piper (*90 Minutes in Heaven*), Eva's sessions will include "Watch, Warning, Landfall," "It is Well with My Soul," "Emergency Supplies," and "Recovery and Restoration." A worship-filled day you shouldn't miss. Ticket price includes a boxed lunch.

**Tickets: \$25**

Tickets are available on our website at [www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://www.newcovenantumc-fl.org) and at the Ticket Kiosk between Worship Services.



## The Big Reveal!

Monday & Tuesday, March 20–21 — Life Enrichment Center

The Men's Ministry presents two days with Pastor Gary Cantrell to share thoughts and ideas to help men move along God's highway toward a better spiritual life.

**\$69 per person includes accommodations and meals**

Register at the kiosk in the East Narthex between Worship Services, or at Men's Prayer Breakfast on Tuesdays.



## Wonderful Wednesday Dinner & Fellowship

March 8 at 4:30 p.m. — Worship Center

We continue with *Seven Words of Love*, a Lenten series presented by 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, March 6.

**Menu:** Beef Barley Soup, Creamy Cole Slaw, Roast Turkey w/Dressing, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Green beans w/Almonds, Dinner Rolls, and Cheesecake w/Fruit Topping.



## Leadership Academy Tier III Sessions

Wed., March 15 and 29 from 9 a.m.– 12 p.m. — Classrooms 6/7

New Covenant's Leadership Academy is offering Tier III training, a two-part continuation of the Leadership Development series. Anyone who has completed Tiers I and II is encouraged to attend.

To confirm your participation in the Tier III session or for information about attending our next Tier I or II sessions, please contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at [khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:khudak@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 27 from 6–8 p.m. — Worship Center** (coffee & cookies provided)

You may join the church the following weekend, April 1 or 2. 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.

# Because We Care... Congregational Care Ministries



## Prime Time

Thursday, March 9 from 10 a.m.–12:30 p.m. — Worship Center

This month's program will include a devotion by Kayla McIntosh, Youth Minister, and a sharing moment with Sylvia Wagner. Our program will also include a presentation on our Youth Mission Trip, 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, March 6 and indicate if you need transportation.



## Prayers & Squares

Monday, March 6 and Tuesday, March 21 at 10 a.m. — Classroom 14

Everyone is invited to become part of this ministry. Work sessions are the first Monday and the third Tuesday of each month. We are accepting donations of fabric and thread. Please drop off your donations in the Congregational Care Department.



## 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.



## New Cancer Ministry

Friday, March 31 at 12 p.m. — Worship Center

Are you a cancer survivor? Currently battling cancer? Congregational Care is working on a cancer support ministry to be led by Rev. Donn and Katherine Poole. Our first meeting will include lunch and is FREE.

So that we have a count for lunch, you must have a "Free" ticket. Free tickets are 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.

If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please call the Congregational Care office at (352) 750-4529.



## The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for: Sheila Dinardo who had colon cancer surgery; Michael who was seriously injured when his motorcycle flipped; Charles Schmidt, a 6-month-old with breathing issues; Margaret Flynn who broke her hip; and David Connors who needs colon cancer treatment. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

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

Joyce Trewartha, family and friends on the passing of her husband Tom.

## New Concerns

Bill & Fran Antonio, Father Joe Barlin, George Bless, Vivian Braddock, Linda Carpenter, Holly Hallett, Sean Kalinowski, Jane Frum, Kiara, Bob L, Dan List, Father John McCracken, Roger McGloin, Rick Nally, Darlene Netkin, Pete Nicholas, Jaxson Payne, Linda Qualls, Debra Sanders, Milan Sivak, Carmen Smith, Hugh Snow, Al Spillman, Carol Stramiello, John Sulser, Carolyn Wilkes, Barbara Young

# Mark Your



# upcoming concerts



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

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

It's not too late to attend this concert; tickets will be available at the Ticket Kiosk one hour prior to the concert. Presented by the Men's Ministry Team, The Toast of Tampa show choir returns with 100+ voices bringing a cappella harmonies and amazing energy to the stage.

Special guest performers include *Signature*, Barbershop Harmony Society Fourth Place International Medalists, and *The De Rosa 4*, an amazingly talented family whose beautiful music will make your heart smile. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for seating.

**Tickets \$15 (General Admission) and \$20 (Artist Circle). Tickets are available at the door.**



## **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 are 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.**



## **Relay for Life**

*Friday, March 24 from 3–9 p.m. — East Parking Lot*

In its third year at New Covenant, Relay for Life provides food and fun for the entire family. The event begins with the Survivor Walk and concludes with the lighting of the luminarias. Visit the kiosk in the East Narthex between Worship Services to register for the Survivor Dinner or to purchase a luminaria in honor/memory of a loved one.



## **Villages Wind Ensemble**

*Sunday, April 2 at 6 p.m. — Worship Center*

Join Jill Van Syckle as she conducts the Wind Ensemble in "Mostly Sousa," a concert of the various composition styles of Sousa.

You will recognize several members of this group who perform regularly at New Covenant. A portion of the net proceeds benefits our Youth Ministry Summer Mission Trips.

**Tickets: \$15. Tickets are 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.**



## **David Phelps: Freedom Tour**

*Friday, May 19 at 7 p.m. — Christian Life Center*

**Tickets on Sale Now, Only at The Villages Box Office!**

David Phelps is blessed with a vocal instrument unlike any other artist performing today. His latest work, *Freedom*, showcases his talents as a singer, songwriter, arranger and producer. The highlight of the New Covenant Concert Series, this will be a full production event you will not want to miss.

**Tickets: \$20 (General Admission) • \$30 (Artist Circle)**

**Tickets are available only at The Villages Box Office at [www.thevillagesentertainment.com](http://www.thevillagesentertainment.com).**



## **Coming Soon!**

- Quilting Guild of The Villages with Alex Anderson: March 28 at 9 a.m.
- Bach with a Beat: April 6 at 6 p.m.
- Choralettes: April 20 at 6 p.m.