



Congratulations to our Graduating Seniors

Graduating from The Villages Charter School

- **Dawson Berardi:** Florida Atlantic University (son of Katrina & David Berardi)
- **Brandy Bryant:** University of Central Florida (daughter of Cristina & Roger Bryant)
- **Landon Noe:** Butte College (son of Cynthia & Christopher Noe)
- **Kyle Perrone:** Flagler College (son of Kim & Carlos Perrone)

Graduating from Wildwood Middle High School

- **Caitlin Beck:** Lake Sumter State College (daughter of Rev. Michael & Jill Beck)



VBS Registration is Open!

Mon.-Fri., June 5-9 from 9 a.m.-12:15 p.m. — Summerhill Campus
It's time to start greasing the wheels and get VBS going! This year's theme is *Maker Fun Factory*. Kids will discover they were created by God and built for a purpose!

Visit our church website at www.newcovenantumc-fl.org and click on the "Children & Youth Summer Camps" scrolling banner. This year we've made registration as simple as possible. You can register multiple students and pay online all at once. If you have any questions or need help registering your student, please contact Children's Minister Brianna Jimenez at (352) 750-4529 or bjimenez@newcovenantumc-fl.org.



VBS Supplies Needed

We are very excited that so many people have signed up to volunteer for this year's VBS. If you're unable to volunteer but would still like to contribute, please visit our kiosk in the East Narthex to see what supplies we need.



Altar Flowers

Today's flowers are provided by: Ida Poret in memory of mother Zenaida and brother Dennis; Irene Manahan in memory of husband Fred; and Gene Murray in celebration of Margaret Elizabeth's "un-birthday."



Mother's Day

Saturday & Sunday, May 13/14 — Christian Life Center

Grammy-nominated and multi-Dove award-winning Christian artist, Kim Hill will share her gift at all Summerhill Worship Services for a special Mother's Day weekend. Kim will be joined by the talented keyboardist, producer, and creative director Paulette Wooten.



Look, Learn, Lead Study Guides

If you would like a "Look, Learn, Lead" study guide, they are available at: both Welcome Centers; a kiosk; and a table in the East Narthex. All weeks are available on our website; just click the "Discipleship" button.

Your Scripture for this Week

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
May 7	1 Chronicles 18-21	2 Samuel 7; 1 Chronicles 17	Sunday: No Reading	Luke 9
May 8	1 Chronicles 22-24	Psalms 25, 29, 33, 36, 39	Luke 22:21-46	Luke 10
May 9	1 Chronicles 25-27	2 Samuel 8-9; 1 Chronicles 18	Luke 22:47-71	Luke 11
May 10	1 Chronicles 28-2 Chronicles 1	Psalms 50, 53, 60, 75	Luke 23:1-25	Luke 12
May 11	2 Chronicles 2-5	2 Samuel 10; 1 Chronicles 19; Psalms 20	Luke 23:26-56	Luke 13
May 12	2 Chronicles 6-8	Psalms 65-67, 69-70	Luke 24:1-32	Luke 14
May 13	2 Chronicles 9-12	2 Samuel 11-12; 1 Chronicles 20	Luke 24:33-53	Luke 15
May 14	2 Chronicles 13-17	Psalms 32, 51, 86, 122	Sunday: No Reading	Luke 16

God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. (2 Timothy 1:7)

Lord, we can fear a lot of things, failure being one of them. We want to be correct, fair, successful, and loving, but we fall short on all accounts. We say, "Failure is not an option," but a good dose of life says failure is inevitable. Failure is not an option, it's inevitable. Help us, Lord, not to be overwhelmed and overcome by our fears, but give us the strength to not only face our fears, but to conquer our fears. For you promise us, "I am with you." Thank you for your divine presence. 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 newborn to 5 years old	Nursery
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	Grace Alone	Classroom 2
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders Class	Coloring Outside the Lines	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	Environmental Policy	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	Coloring Outside the Lines	Classroom 11

New Covenant United Methodist Church

Summerhill Contemporary Worship
Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Summerhill Blended Worship
Sunday 7:45 • 9:15 • 10:45 a.m.

Summerhill 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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A Place to Call Home

Worship Attendance for Last Week: 2,411

(BEACH) 52 • (Roots) 27 • (Teen Twilight) 25 • (Celebrate Recovery) 97
(Special Services) 86 • (Fresh Expressions) 21 • (Saturday Contemporary) 303
(Sunday Summerhill) 7:45-209 • 9:15-618 • 10:45-558 • (Orchard Worship) 12
(Sunday Lake Deaton) 8:30-163 • 10:00-240

SUMMERHILL CAMPUS



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.

MAY 6 & 7, 2017

Rev. Harold Hendren, Senior Pastor

Rev. Jim Divine, Lake Deaton Pastor

Rev. Kristyne Young, Pastor of
Congregational Life

Rev. Marilyn Anell, Visitation Pastor



Humble
Vibrant
Passionate
Loving
Charitable
Selfless
Friendly fun
Involved
Generous
WONDERFUL
UNSELFISH
HELPFUL
PROSPEROUS
GREAT
THOUGHTFUL
Respectable

Thank You

National Volunteer Week April 23-29, 2017

We give thanks to God always for you. (1 Thessalonians 1:1)

This year, National Volunteer Week in the United States was April 23-29. This day of recognition was first established via Presidential Proclamation in 1974. The week is an opportunity to recognize those who contribute to community and country.

Here at New Covenant, we are blessed to have so very many volunteers that serve in our leadership team and outwardly in our ministries. In addition to these volunteers, we have so many who serve behind the scenes. In honor of National Volunteer Week, we would like to recognize each of our volunteers, some of whom wear "more than one hat!" We could not function and have the family that we do here at New Covenant, one that makes such a difference in our community, without each and every one of our volunteers. Our heartfelt thanks, appreciation and love goes out to each one of them!

To continue the work of the Lord, we need more volunteers.

If you feel the need and have the heart to serve — whether it is in leadership, one of our many ministries, or in a role "behind the scenes" in Administration or Finance — we need you! Help us to connect you to the community by getting involved and volunteering! Please see the bulletin each week for volunteer opportunities.

We are so grateful for your faithful service to New Covenant United Methodist Church!

Thank You for Serving with a Heart like Jesus!

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



The Magic and Comedy of David Berardi

Thursday, May 11 at 6 p.m. — Christian Life Center

Be amazed by the magical genius of our own David Berardi in this one man Magic and Comedy Show. Not your ordinary "church multimedia specialist," David has performed magic over 35 years on cruise ships across the US and in Japan.

As an acting major in college, David focused on developing techniques that supported a successful entertainment career. He promises a fun evening of comedy, magic, a little music and — **audience participation!**

At-Door Donations: \$10 per person; \$25 for families of 3 or more.
Net proceeds will help fund the Honduras Mission Trip in August.

May Women's Gathering

Thursday, May 18 from 10 a.m.–1 p.m. — Worship Center

Taste and see that the Lord is good! Join us and use your senses to "taste" how God wants us to live. This will be our last event until September.

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. Ticket sales conclude Monday, May 15 at noon. No tickets (including the FREE, program-only tickets) will be available after the cut-off date.



David Phelps: Freedom Tour

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

Don't miss an opportunity to hear one of the finest voices performing today. Tickets have been priced to allow **everyone** to attend this concert featuring David Phelps in his Freedom Tour.

Singer, songwriter, arranger and producer, David's artistry has grown to echo off the walls of Carnegie Hall, vibrated chandeliers in the White House and churches and halls world-wide. David will be accompanied by his band and vocalists in this fully staged production. While David pushes the boundaries vocally, his focus is beyond the ordinary, trusting in God's Divine Design. Net proceeds benefit our Music / Worship Ministry.

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

Tickets are available only at a Villages Box Office or www.thevillagesentertainment.com.

Table Talk Dinner Groups

We are organizing the next round groups for May through August. These are groups of eight who gather once a month for four months in homes or restaurants to enjoy a meal and fellowship. If you would like to participate, stop by the Welcome Center, fill out a form, and drop it in the designated box.

Please contact Patty Halstead at patty.charlie@comcast.net or 633-2470 with questions.

Thank You for Your Support of our Ministries

Concert/Event	Ministry Supported	Proceeds
Toast of Tampa	Men's Ministry	\$3,875
Eva Piper	Women's Ministry	\$ 866
Celebration Brass Band	Worship Ministry	\$1,024
Youth Car Wash	Youth Ministry	\$1,014

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

Bible Studies Small Groups



Connect with a Small Group

Love God! Love Others! Together is Better!

Are you in a small group? If so, we'd love to hear from you and know who your point of contact is for your group so we can better support you. We want to connect with existing small groups to send out information about study materials, be prayer partners with your group, and to find out if you need help with anything.

If your group is looking for additional members, we'd love to know so we can help you grow your group.

For information on how you can get "connected" or to tell us about your existing small group, please contact Jenny Sweat at (352) 750-4529 or jsweat@newcovenantumc-fl.org.



Emmaus News

Thursday, May 11 at 6 p.m. — Hope Lutheran Church

The next Tri-County Emmaus Gathering will feature a covered dish dinner. Meat and dessert will be furnished; please bring a salad, vegetable dish, or a casserole.

Please RSVP to Steve Nicely at (352) 751-7686 or steven_nicely@hotmail.com with the number attending so we know for how many to prepare.



Discover New Covenant — Next Weekend!

Saturday, May 13 and Sunday, May 14 after each Worship Service

Visitors, nonmembers, and members are encouraged to attend to learn more about New Covenant. You can get answers about connecting to service opportunities, Bible studies, Connect Small Groups, and Membership. We meet once a month following Worship Services.

For more information, please contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at (352) 750-4529 or khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org.



Solo Flight

Friday, May 19 at 4:30 p.m. — Chapel

All singles are invited to join us for fun and fellowship. Ellen Pollock, NCUMC Director of Congregational Care, will be speaking from her heart about how she was called into ministry and about the various ministries under the Care department.

At the meeting, you will be able to sign up for our May and June outings. Additionally, you will learn about the various ways you can sign up and help out with various aspects of the Solo Flight ministry, such as: Dining-Out program; Monthly Greeter; Caring & Sharing; Outreach; and more. The group will be going out to dinner together after the meeting. For more information, please contact Laura Tomich at la339@embarqmail.com.



New Member Class

Monday, June 12 from 6–8 p.m. (coffee & cookies provided)

You may join during the Worship Service of your choice the following weekend, June 17/18.

Please complete a New Member Registration form today. They can be found at the Connections Ministry kiosk in the East Narthex, the Welcome Center in the East Narthex, the Welcome Desk in the West Narthex, and in the Administration office.

For more information, please contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at (352) 750-4529 or khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org.

Because We Care... Congregational Care Ministries



PrimeTime

Thursday, May 11 from 10–11:30 a.m. — Worship Center

Join us this month as we sing along with Pat Smith and Brian Maderos. Our devotion will be with Rev. Kristyne Young; sharing moment with Sylvia Wagner; and program with Lawrence Johnson, violinist.

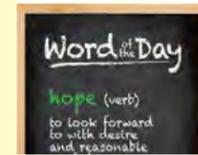
Our program is followed by lunch for \$6 payable at the door. To make a reservation, please call the office at (352) 750-4529 by Monday, May 8 and please indicate if you need transportation.



Winter Health Series

Tuesday, May 16 at 6 p.m. — Worship Center

Join Dr. David Subich from Compass Research as he presents "Memory Loss & Aging," how to keep your brain active and groundbreaking research opportunities. This will be our final session for the spring.



Hope for Hurting Parents

Thursday, May 18 at 1:30 p.m. — Chapel

Join us for our second anniversary celebration with Tom and Dena Yohe, founders of Hope for Hurting Parents.

If you have a child or loved one struggling with addiction, mental illness, incarceration, or other life-altering events, we offer support and encouragement for you — the parent or grandparent. We cannot solve the problems of your loved one, but we can assist you in how you respond to them. We are here to provide support for you, the parent or grandparent. For more information, please call the Care office at (352) 750-4529. We welcome all in our community who need this support; it is not just for members.



Helen's Helpers

To support our growing ministry, we need more volunteers. Helen's Helpers is a respite care ministry for those caregivers who may have a homebound loved one and need a little break to go to appointments, shopping, a round of golf, etc. We are so happy with the success of this ministry, and we need more volunteers to engage in ministry.

We especially need men, but have needs for women, also! We will provide training. Contact Congregational Care at (352) 750-4529 to find out more.



The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilt on the altar rail is for Chuck Stephenson who is in hospice. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...

Judy & Dave Johnson, family and friends on the passing of Judy's sister in Louisville; and Pat McLaughlin, family and friends on the passing of her brother Dr. Charles Martin.

For dates and locations of memorial services, please check our website: www.newcovenantumc-fl.org.

New Concerns

Brian Baker, Arlene & Larry Bellerose, Dan Buckey, Larry Buckner, Kathleen Cannon, Audrey Coon, Janet Cragg, Bill Eyler, Diane Freund, Margaret Fulton, Gay Gernert, Ron & Mary Kay Giebelhaus, Holly Hallett, MaryLou & Harold Hinzpeter, Iris, Audrey Kramer, Charles Martin, Gay McCants, Richard McLean, Sandy Miller, Gary Ogle, Millie Sloan, Pat Smith, Will & Terri Waters, Shirley Werner & Rick Nalley