

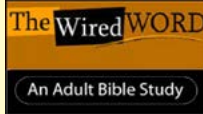
# TidBits



## Need Computer Help? Have Website Questions?

Sundays, August 27–September 17 — East Narthex Kiosk

New Covenant's Technology Support Coordinator, Dawn Chadwick, will be available for four Sundays to help you with questions or issues related to the church website, online giving, logging onto your account, or anything New Covenant technology based. All issues will be handled on a first-come, first-served basis.



## The Wired Word

The Wired Word class will resume their regular Saturday afternoon classes beginning next weekend, September 2.



## Wildwood Clergy Coalition (WCC)

Tuesday, August 29 at 6:30 p.m. — Wildwood City Ministries

We are having a planning meeting at the City Ministries (2824 County Road 44a, Wildwood) to organize a prayer walk/vigil from city hall. Please join us as we seek to unify and heal our community.



## Women's Ministry Monthly Gatherings Return

Thursday, September 21 from 10 a.m.–1 p.m. — Worship Center

We're excited to open another season of Women's Ministry and hope you will join us each month. In September, our first event of the year will be *The Wind and the Spirit*. You'll enjoy "lifting" praise to God through devotion, music, and creativity.

Tickets are \$6 and are available on our website (credit card fees will apply), and will be available at the Ticket Kiosk in the West Narthex between Worship Services beginning Saturday, September 9.



## Worship & Music Announcement

Do you like to sing? Have you had some experience reading music and/or singing in other choirs or choruses? Would you like to be part of the Chancel Choir in leading worship?

If you answered yes to any of the above and you are available Wednesdays, please call Sean Pollock, Director of Worship, at (352) 750-4529. Rehearsals are Wednesdays from 6-7:30 p.m. in Classroom 8/9 (choir rehearsal room).



## Serenity Garden Memorial Monument

As a part of the Serenity Garden Columbarium, we are offering a Memorial Monument that is designed to accommodate bronze memorial plates for the purpose of remembering loved ones. The plates will be 2 x 9 inches and have space for three lines of inscription that could include such items as name, dates, and a scripture notation. The cost of each plate is \$250, and includes the desired inscriptions.

For more information about the Memorial Monument, please contact a committee member:

- Bob Freeman: (352) 751-0505
- Virginia Newland: (352) 751-4283
- Mick Hall: (970) 520-3848
- Linda Rimington: (352) 446-2702
- Bob Koehling: (352) 753-4074
- Phil Waters: (352) 751-5076
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## Your Scripture for this Week

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
August 27	Jeremiah 51-52	Ezekiel 1-4	Sunday: No Reading	Luke 15
August 28	Lamentations 1-3:36	Ezekiel 5-8	Romans 15:22–33	Luke 16
August 29	Lamentations 3:37-5	Ezekiel 9-12	Romans 16	Luke 17
August 30	Ezekiel 1-4	Ezekiel 13-15	1 Corinthians 1	Luke 18
August 31	Ezekiel 5-8	Ezekiel 16-17	1 Corinthians 2:1–3:17	Luke 19
September 1	Ezekiel 9-12	Ezekiel 18-19	1 Corinthians 3:18–4:21	Luke 20
September 2	Ezekiel 13-15	Ezekiel 20-21	1 Corinthians 5:1–6:11	Luke 21
September 3	Ezekiel 16-17	Ezekiel 22-23	Sunday: No Reading	Luke 22

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith — and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God — not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. (Ephesians 2:8-10)

Lord Jesus, you continue to bless us, care for us, and most important, redeem us. Your grace and generosity is beyond measure. Help us to grasp the importance of being generous with what you have blessed us. Keep us humble, Lord, as we follow your lead. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

## Lake Deaton Ground Breaking — Save the Date!

Sunday, September 17 at 4 p.m. — Lake Deaton Property

Please mark your calendars for the ground breaking of our Lake Deaton campus!

## Sunday Christian Education Classes

7:45 a.m.	Early Risers	The Lord's Prayer: Connecting with God	Chapel
9:15 a.m.	Childcare	Children ages newborn to 5 years old	Nursery
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	The Holy Spirit	Classroom 2
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders Class	Soul Keeping	Classroom 11
9:15 a.m.	Faith Finders	The Lord's Prayer: Connecting with God	Classrooms 6/7
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	God's Call	Chapel
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Solar Eclipse	Classroom 14
10:30 a.m.	The Searchers	The Lord's Prayer: Connecting with God	Classrooms 6/7
10:30 a.m.	Spirited Singles	Christian group discussion	Classroom 3
10:45 a.m.	Wesley Class	Soul Keeping	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: 2,079

(BEACH & Roots) 52 • (Fresh Expressions) 43 • (Celebrate Recovery) 94

(Saturday Contemporary) 249 • (Orchard Worship) 10 • (Grounded Youth Group) 44

(Sunday Summerhill) 7:45–165 • 9:15–585 • 10:45–510

(Sunday Lake Deaton) 8:30–158 • 10:00–169

## SUMMERHILL CAMPUS

## AUGUST 26 & 27, 2017



*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. Kristyne Young, Pastor of  
Congregational Life

Rev. Marilyn Anell, Visitation Pastor

## Terrific Tuesdays

## Join us for our first Terrific Tuesday!

Our weekly Wonderful Wednesdays are now a monthly Terrific Tuesday Fellowship Dinner! Get ready to enjoy an evening of fellowship along with a delicious dinner and special music.



## September 12

Our first Terrific Tuesday Fellowship Dinner kicks off with Ennis Pruitt performing a mix of Country/Western music.

The doors will open at 4:45 p.m., dinner will be served at 5 p.m., and special music will begin between 5:45–6 p.m.

**General Admission Tickets:** \$12 per person (no reserved seating). Tickets are available on our website (credit card fees apply), and at the Ticket Kiosk in the West Narthex between Worship Services beginning this weekend. You must purchase a ticket by noon on Monday, September 11.

**Our Kick-off Menu:** Steak & Black Bean Chili, Cream Cole Slaw, Smoked Pull Pork w/ BBQ Sauce, Baked Chicken, Macaroni & Cheese Bake, Ranch-style Baked Beans, Grilled Jalapeno-Lime Corn, Garlic Toast, and Texas Sheet Cake

## Tuesdays

## Upcoming Programs

October 10	Still Kickin Bluegrass & Gospel
November 7	"A Tribute to Veterans" with Marine Corps Honor Guard and Billie Thatcher
December 5	Christmas with Sean
January 9	The Villages Swing Band
February 13	Shades of Blue Jazz Octet
March 13	Ennis Pruitt St. Patrick's Celebration
April 10	The Villages Swing Band
May 8	Broadway Sing with Sean, Angie, and Janice

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



**Event Brite Ticket Kiosk Re-Opens**  
**Saturdays & Sundays, Beginning September 9-10 — West Narthex**  
 The Event Brite Ticket Kiosk will soon be open for business. We have dedicated volunteers for tickets sales, but could use more individuals to help during the weekend Worship Services.

Training to be a volunteer is minimal and it actually is fun. If you would like more information or would like to volunteer, please contact Risé Segur at [rsegur@gmail.com](mailto:rsegur@gmail.com) for Saturdays or Candy Ginns at [cginns@aol.com](mailto:cginns@aol.com) for Sundays.

**Youth Ministry Car Wash**  
**Saturday, September 30 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. — West Parking Lot**  
 It's almost time for Youth Ministry's semi-annual car wash! New Covenant's youth group is hosting a car wash fund-raiser this fall to help raise money for their 2018 mission trips. Please be sure to bring your car and/or your golf cart!

Tickets are \$5 and are available now on our church website and will be available at our Ticket Kiosk beginning Saturday, September 9.

**The Ditchfield Family Singers**  
**Sunday, October 8 at 6 p.m. — Christian Life Center**  
 The Heart of Florida Barbershop Chorus, under the direction of Scott Werner, is delighted to present a wonderful evening of harmony in song. The Ditchfields are renowned from coast to coast for their close harmony and unique blend.

Tickets are \$19 General Admission and \$15 Group Tickets. Tickets are available on our website (credit card fees will apply) and at the Ticket Kiosk in the West Narthex between Worship Services beginning Saturday, September 9.

A portion of the net proceeds will benefit the New Covenant Music and Worship Ministries.

**Back By Popular Demand: The Four Aces!**  
**Friday, October 13 at 7 p.m. — Christian Life Center**  
 Since 1950, The Four Aces have been internationally acclaimed as a group, not only having produced some of the most beautiful renderings ever, but for being superb showmen as well. After you see their performance, you will know why The Four Aces have delighted audiences of all ages around the world.

Enjoy the melodic harmony of classics, such as: *Three Coins in a Fountain*, *Tell Me Why*, and *Love Is a Many Splendored Thing*. This evening of music is guaranteed to trigger memories.

Tickets will be on sale at The Villages Box Office beginning Thursday, August 31. Net proceeds will benefit the New Covenant Lake Deaton Campus Men's Ministry.

**\$25 Artist Circle • \$20 General Admission**

Mark Your Calendars for these Upcoming Events!	
October 20 at 7 p.m.	<i>Salute the Troops</i> , a "Villagers for Veterans" concert starring Billie Thatcher, Carolyn Hoffman, Chris & Gillian Bolus, and Alex Scopino
November 3 from 7-10 p.m. and November 4 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m.	Mark Gungor's <i>Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage</i> , sponsored by the Summerhill Men's Ministry Team
November 12 at 6 p.m.	<i>Celebration Brass Band</i> with net proceeds benefiting the Helping Hands Ministry



**DISCIPLE Disciple Bible Studies**  
 Disciple Bible Study is a series of comprehensive Bible Study classes designed to help you grow in your faith journey. This fall, three classes are being offered, including Disciple I, Disciple II, and a short course on the New Testament.

- Dates and Times...**
- **Disciple 1 (24 weeks):** Begins Tuesday, September 12 at 10:30 a.m.
  - **Disciple 2 (26 weeks):** Begins Wednesday, September 13 at 10:30 a.m.
  - **Invitation to The New Testament (9 weeks):** Begins Tuesday, September 12 at 10 a.m.

Sign up this weekend at the kiosk in the East Narthex! For more information, please contact George de Jager at (353) 430-2738 or [georgedejager@comcast.net](mailto:georgedejager@comcast.net).

**connect SMALL GROUPS Couples interested in a Connect Small Group**  
**Thursdays, August 31 and September 14 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.**  
 You are invited to a "Get Acquainted" launch for couples who are interested in studying the upcoming sermon series, *Moses, the Reluctant Leader*. This event will be at the home of the Connect Small Group Ministry Leaders, Keith & Pat Webster, in The Village of St. Charles.

To register for the "Get Acquainted" launch, for more details about the event, or if you are interested in a Connect Small Group for Men, Women, Couples, or Solo Flight Singles, please contact Jenny Sweat, Coordinator of Biblical Studies and Ministries at (352) 750-4529 or [jsweat@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:jsweat@newcovenantumc-fl.org).

**Helping Hands Outreach Ministry**  
 We are working on our 27<sup>th</sup> home and need volunteers to help. There is a job for everyone! For more information, please contact Jill Beck, Ministry Assistant, at (352) 750-4529 or [jbeck@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:jbeck@newcovenantumc-fl.org).

**Discover New Covenant**  
**September 9/10, following each Worship Service — Worship Center**  
 We meet once a month following Worship Services. Visitors, nonmembers, and members are encouraged to attend to learn more about New Covenant. Get answers to questions about getting connected to service opportunities, Bible studies, Connect Small Groups, and Membership.

Visit the Discover New Covenant kiosk in the East Narthex to learn more about connecting to New Covenant. For more information, please contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at (352) 750-4529 or [khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org).

**Yoga Classes**  
 Our Monday Yoga class returns on September 11 beginning at 4 p.m. For more information, please email Karen Hughes at [twofortydesign@hotmail.com](mailto:twofortydesign@hotmail.com).

**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.

- **Lake Deaton Campus:** Sunday, October 1 from 11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m. (lunch provided)
- **Summerhill Campus:** Monday, October 2 from 6-8 p.m. (coffee & cookies provided)

Please pick up a New Member Registration form at the Welcome kiosk, or contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at [khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org) or (352) 750-4529.



**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 Orientation Meeting**  
**Wednesday, September 13 at 10 a.m. — Classroom 3**  
 Stephen Ministry is a lay caring ministry meant to increase care and outreach to hurting people. This ministry provides one-on-one, completely confidential, Christ-centered care to people experiencing grief, hospitalization, loneliness, terminal illness, and the stresses that these cause.

Our Stephen Ministers have an initial 50 hours of training to prepare them to walk side-by-side with someone during life's trials. If you feel led to be a part of this ministry and would like more information, please join us for this orientation meeting. There will be a new training class in October. You may also call the Congregational Care department to ask about this ministry of New Covenant.

Mother Teresa said, "...the most terrible poverty is loneliness and the feeling of being unloved." No one should have to face life's difficult times alone. We are here for you!

**Hospital Visitation**  
 If you or a loved one enters the hospital, please inform the Congregational Care department at (352) 750-4529. Also, please be sure that we know your "legal" name. 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!

**Toby's Encouragers**  
 We visit the residents of several local nursing homes and assisted living facilities. Through our faithful visits once a week, we bring the love of Christ to the residents. Each volunteer is assigned three residents with whom they make close personal relationships.  
 If you would like to bring joy to a lonely person, please contact Carolyn Merryman at (352) 753-7778 or [ckmjem@comcast.net](mailto:ckmjem@comcast.net).

**The Gift of Prayer**  
 The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for: Evelyn Duncan who has cardiac issues; Lucille Jesaitis who has health challenges; and Lisa Ovitt who has cancer. Please pray for peace, strength, comfort, and healing.

**Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...**  
 Darlene Waller, family and friends on the passing of her companion Werner (Whitey) Greb; and for Peg Tabor, family and friends on the passing of her husband JR.

*For a list of upcoming services, please check our website. Click on the "Calendar" button.*

**New Concerns**  
 Courtney Arnstein, Robert Calabrese, Audrey Coon, Joshua Cole, Evelyn Duncan, Jamie & Denise Edwards, Jimmy Hark, Bette Jones, Ion Kurland, Brad Lindsey, Nickolas Nibarger, Ann & Dick Miller, Andy McLaughlin, John Moore, Helen & David Mott, Robin, Dale Newland, Sandi, Dick Thomas, Kristin Van Skiver, Bill & Amanda Wigton