

TidBits



Altar Flowers

The Altar flowers in the Christian Life Center have been provided by Kathy Wolf in memory of Sue West, and Randy & Holly Cowles in celebration of the prayers from New Covenant members during Holly's illness. The flowers in the Narthex have been provided by the family of Dr. Bud Marks in his memory.



Yoga Classes Are Postponed Due to Weather!

Our weekly yoga classes have been cancelled next week due to the anticipated weather. For more information, please email Karen Hughes at twofortydesign@hotmail.com.



Choir Fall Retreat

Saturday, September 16 at 9 a.m. — Classrooms 8/9 (Choir Room)

If you have ever considered singing in the Chancel Choir, please join us next week as we preview our fall music, as well as the Christmas music for the 2017 *Christmas at New Covenant* concerts. Enjoy a fun-filled morning — and perhaps find a new seat for Sunday worship!

If you have any questions regarding choir or the retreat, please contact Sean Pollock, Director of Music and Worship, at (352) 750-4529.



Lake Deaton Ground Breaking — Save the Date!

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

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

A short program at 4 p.m. will be followed by a barbecue.

Please pick up an RSVP card at the kiosk in the East Narthex, fill it out, and place it in the basket provided at the kiosk.



Need Help with Online Giving? Have Website Questions?

Sundays, September 10 & 17 from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. — East Narthex

New Covenant's Technology Support Coordinator, Dawn Chadwick, is available to help you with questions or issues related to the church website, online giving, logging onto your Member's Portal account, or anything New Covenant technology based. Just stop by the kiosk in the East Narthex.



Update Your Church Photo!

Saturday & Sunday, September 23/24 — Cardinal Alcove

If you have been a part of our New Covenant church family for many years and have not recently had your photo taken for a New Member class or had your photo taken as a couple, please take a few minutes to have a new individual photo taken.

Judy Fitzgerald will be in the Cardinal Alcove after each Worship Service to take your photo for our Member Portal.



Hearing Devices

If you have difficulty hearing the Pastor's message each weekend, we have hearing-assistance devices at the Welcome Center. Just ask one of the volunteers to assist you.

Your Scripture for this Week

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
September 10	Ezekiel 34-36	Ezekiel 42-43	Sunday: No Reading	John 5
September 11	Ezekiel 37-39	Ezekiel 44-45	1 Corinthians 12	John 6
September 12	Ezekiel 40-42	Ezekiel 46-48	1 Corinthians 13:1-14:19	John 7
September 13	Ezekiel 43-45	Joel	1 Corinthians 14:20-40	John 8
September 14	Ezekiel 46-48	Daniel 1-3	1 Corinthians 15:1-28	John 9
September 15	Daniel 1-3	Daniel 4-6	1 Corinthians 15:29-49	John 10
September 16	Daniel 4-6	Daniel 7-9	1 Corinthians 15:50-16:24	John 11
September 17	Daniel 7-9	Daniel 10-12	Sunday: No Reading	John 12

The LORD is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. (Psalm 18:2)

Lord, you delivered the Children of Israel from slavery, and you continue to deliver us today. Through your Son, Jesus, He has delivered us from our own sinfulness and offered us a passage out of despair. Thank you, Lord, for being our Rock and our Salvation. Without you, we have no clear direction. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Please contact the office for Monday's schedule, as some classes may be canceled.

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	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	Covenants with God	Chapel
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Charlottesville	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: 2,398

(BEACH & Roots) 78 • (Fresh Expressions) 22 • (Celebrate Recovery) 88

(Saturday Contemporary) 240 • (Orchard Worship) 12 • (Grounded Youth Group) 30

(Sunday Summerhill) 7:45-166 • 9:15-815 • 10:45-584

(Sunday Lake Deaton) 8:30-162 • 10:00-201

SUMMERHILL CAMPUS

SEPTEMBER 9 & 10, 2017



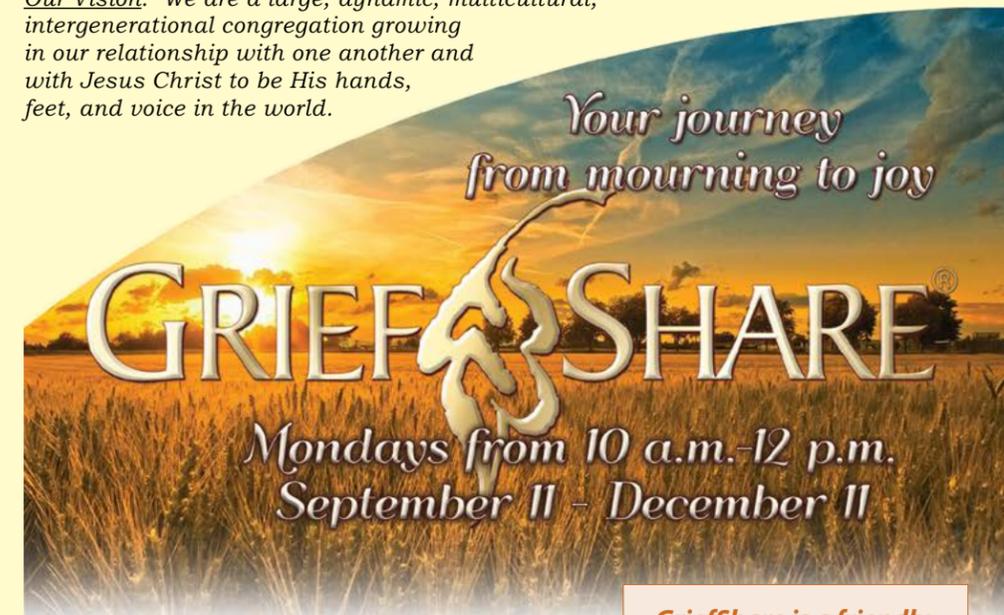
Our Vision: We are a large, dynamic, multicultural, intergenerational congregation growing in our relationship with one another and with Jesus Christ to be His hands, feet, and voice in the world.

Rev. Harold Hendren, Senior Pastor

Rev. Jim Divine, Lake Deaton Pastor

Rev. Kristyne Young, Pastor of
Congregational Life

Rev. Marilyn Anell, Visitation Pastor



How GriefShare Works

It may be hard for you to feel optimistic about the future right now. If you've lost a spouse, child, family member, or friend, you've probably found there are not many people who understand the deep hurt you feel. This can be a confusing time when you feel isolated and have many questions about things you've never faced before.

GriefShare groups meet weekly to help you face these challenges and move toward rebuilding your life. Each session has three distinct elements: video seminar portion with experts; support group discussion; and personal study and reflection. The cost of the workbook is \$15.

Who Should Come ... Who Should Not

GriefShare is for people grieving the death of a family member or friend. We understand that there are other losses in life that create feelings of grief. You might be experiencing a job loss, divorce, estrangement from a child, or the loss of friends because of a move. This grief is real, but it is not the kind of grief discussed in GriefShare sessions.

When to Join a GriefShare Group

You are welcome to begin attending the GriefShare group at any session. Each session is "self-contained," so you do not have to attend in sequence. You will find encouragement and help whenever you begin. You may continue with any session through the next 13-week cycle and view any of the videos you have previously missed.

The leadership team for GriefShare consists of people who understand how you feel and have a real concern for individuals experiencing the grief of loss. All of our leaders have experienced significant losses in their lives and are examples of the healing and restoration that can occur as an outgrowth of deep grief.

If you have more questions or want to pre-register, please call the Congregational Care department at (352) 750-4529. We are here to help you!

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

Outreach Ministry



UMCOR Responds to Harvey

UMCOR (United Methodist Committee On Relief) is currently working with disaster coordinators and early response teams to provide relief to the many victims of tropical storm/hurricane Harvey.

If you wish to help with the relief and recovery efforts, you may write a check payable to NCUMC and notate "Harvey" on the memo line, or go to our website at www.newcovenantumc-fl.org and click on the "UMCOR Responds to Harvey" banner. There are also a limited amount of "Flood Buckets" available. All buckets must be returned to the Cardinal Alcove by Tuesday, September 12.



Wildwood Area Unity Movement

The focus of this network is to unify the body of Christ in our area. We are planning to pause at 10:02 a.m. every day to pray the missional prayer of Jesus, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few, therefore, ask the Lord of the harvest to send workers." (Luke 10:2)

Please Mark These Dates on Your Calendar

- Monday, September 11 at 8 a.m. — Prayer Gathering at Wildwood City Hall
 - Sunday, October 15 at 4 p.m. — Area-wide "Prayer Vigil for Unity" at Wildwood City Hall
- Note: We are planning to fast together that day leading up to the gathering.

If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Michael Beck, North Central District Cultivator of Fresh Expressions at (352) 748-1275.

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

Discipleship Bible Studies

Women's Bible Study

The Gospel of Mark – The Jesus We're Aching For by Lisa Harper
God's heart is moved by your cries for help, your shouts for joy, and your unspoken worries. We know Him to be a God of unparalleled power and authority, but Mark's account of Jesus paints Him as a deeply personal and intimate God, too.

Join us for this 7-week study (September 26–November 7) that follows Jesus through His days of early ministry all the way to the cross. Materials for the program are \$20.

Two Class Options: Daytime or Evening

- Tuesdays from 11 a.m.–1 p.m. in the Worship Center
- Tuesdays from 6–7:30 p.m. in the Worship Center

Register online at www.newcovenantumc-fl.org/bible-studies/

If you have any questions, please contact Jill Beck at jbeck@newcovenantumc-fl.org or (352) 750-4529.



Look, Learn, Lead Study Guides

Moses: In the Footsteps of the Reluctant Prophet

If you would like a "Look, Learn, Lead" study guide, they are available at the Welcome Center, a kiosk, and a table in the East Narthex.

All weekly guides are also available on our website — just click the "Worship" button and select "Sermon Series." Choose whichever series you wish to download.

Making connections



Discover New Covenant — This Weekend!

Saturday & Sunday, 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.



Get Acquainted to Connect Small Groups

Thursday, September 14 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. — The Websters

Have you connected in a small group that will be studying Pastor Harold's sermon series on *Moses, the Reluctant Leader* in more detail? If not, you are invited to a "Get Acquainted" launch for couples. New couples groups are forming and there is still space for a few more couples. This event will be at the home of the Connect Small Groups Ministry Leaders, Keith & Pat Webster, in The Village of St. Charles.

Attention Existing Small Groups!

Be sure to pick up your "Look, Learn & Lead" handout to follow along with this sermon series. To register for the "Get Acquainted" launch, for more details about the event, or if you are interested in getting connected to a Small Group for Men, Women, Singles, or Couples, please contact Jenny Sweat at (352) 750-4529 or jsweat@newcovenantumc-fl.org.



Solo Flight

Friday, September 15 from 4–6 p.m. — Chapel

All singles are welcome and encouraged to attend our monthly gathering and present ideas and suggestions. It is a perfect opportunity to learn more about Solo Flight Singles Ministry.

Announcements, future activities, and events will be discussed and determined. For more information, please call Laura Tomich at (352) 259-1200.



Tri-County Emmaus Gathering

Thursday, September 21 at 6:30 pm. — Worship Center

This Gathering will include a covered dish dinner. Meat and dessert will be furnished, so please bring a salad, vegetable dish or a casserole. Please share this announcement with others who have been on an Emmaus Walk or other recognized Fourth Day experience.

So that we know how many to prepare for, please email Jill Beck at jbeck@newcovenantumc-fl.org with the number attending.



New Member Classes

Lake Deaton Campus: Sunday, October 1 from 11:15 a.m.–1:15 p.m.

Summerhill Campus: Monday, October 2 from 6–8 p.m.

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.

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

Because We Care... Congregational Care Ministries



Prime Time — Everyone is Invited!!

Thursday, September 14 from 10 a.m.–12:30 p.m. — Worship Center
New Covenant members, attendees, and friends, please join us the second Thursday of each month for a time of music, devotion, fitness/exercise, and a program — followed by a time of fellowship and lunch.

Our program this month will feature our Residents Encounter Christ Ministry (REC). Our devotion will be led by Kathy & Bud Yoakum. The program will be followed by lunch for \$6 payable at the door. To make a reservation, please call the office at 750-4529 by Monday, September 11 and indicate if you need transportation.

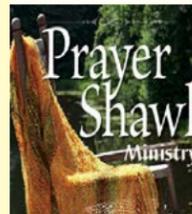


Stephen Ministry Orientation Meeting

Wednesday, September 13 at 10 a.m. — Classroom 3

If you have been feeling the call to serve in a caring ministry and would like to know more about Stephen Ministry, we encourage you to come to this orientation meeting.

Your Stephen Ministers are looking forward to being able to talk with you about this caring ministry of New Covenant. We will tell you more about our training, our commitment to serve others, and our Peer Supervision and Continuing Education sessions. You will get to meet our Stephen Ministers and ask questions about our calling and our ministry. If you have any questions, please call the Congregational Care department at (352) 750-4529.



Happy Hands

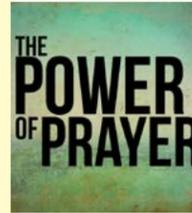
Wednesdays from 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m. — Classroom 14

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.



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.



The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for: Candie Siciliano who had a stroke; Avery Rose Shelburn, an 8-year-old with a brain tumor; Loye London who has prostate cancer; Nancy Schaffer who has cancer; and Kathy Lavoie who is battling cancer. Please pray for peace, strength, comfort, and healing.

Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...

Myong Martin, family and friends on the passing of her husband Richard.

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

New Concerns

Byron Bond, Jeff Bonebrake, Vivien Braddock, Amber Callaway, Audrey Coon, Pat Cunningham, Sr., John Gerlack, Sarah Goldman, Judy & Dave Johnson, Ronnie Kelly, Loye London, Brenda & Shawn Lynch, Dan Macky, Connie Maginnis, Jean Martin, Dale Meidenbauer, Donn & Katherine Poole, Esther Scappatone, Family of Taquoia Schroeder, Dave Timbrook, Alexandria Webb, Marlene Wedel, Diana Van Dyke