

Your Scripture for this Week

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
October 8	Matthew 15-17	John 5	Sunday: No Reading	Matthew 11
October 9	Matthew 18-19	Matthew 12:1-21; Mark 3; Luke 6	Ephesians 3	Matthew 12
October 10	Matthew 20-21	Matthew 5-7	Ephesians 4:1-16	Matthew 13
October 11	Matthew 22-23	Matthew 8:1-13; Luke 7	Ephesians 4:17-5:7	Matthew 14
October 12	Matthew 24-25	Matthew 11	Ephesians 5:8-33	Matthew 15
October 13	Matthew 26	Matthew 12:22-50	Ephesians 6	Matthew 16
October 14	Matthew 27-28	Matthew 13; Luke 8	Philippians 1:1-26	Matthew 17
October 15	Mark 1-3	Matthew 8:14-34; Mark 4-5	Sunday: No Reading	Matthew 18

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. (John 1:14)

Lord, we are grateful for your tender mercy and amazing grace.

Your presence is always near and your love is always sincere.

Thank you for dwelling in us and walking with us. 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
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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	Children's Room
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	Psalms +	Classroom 2
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders Class	Moses (Sermon Series)	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	Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)	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	Moses (Sermon Series)	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: 2,495

(BEACH) 61 • (Roots) 12 • (Celebrate Recovery) 70 • (Fresh Expressions) 37

(Orchard Worship) 10 • (God's Girls) 18 • (Grounded Youth Group) 30

(Saturday Contemporary) 235 • (Sunday Summerhill) 7:45-268 • 9:15-900 • 10:45-497

(Sunday Lake Deaton) 8:30-136 • 10:00-221

SUMMERHILL CAMPUS

OCTOBER 7 & 8, 2017



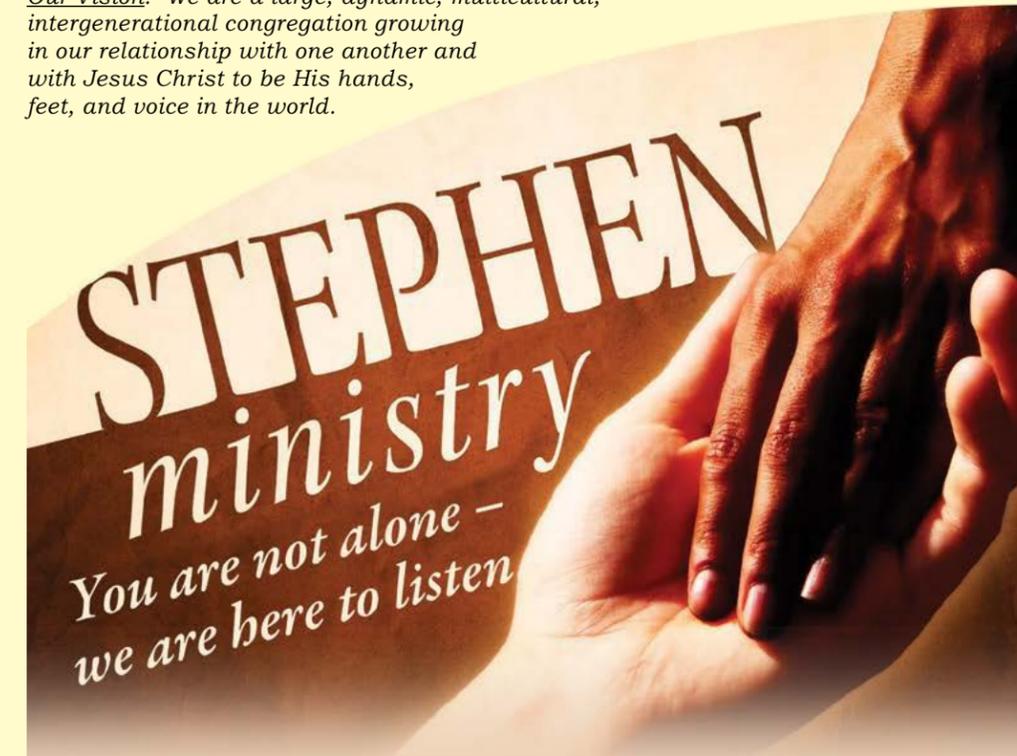
Our Vision: We are a large, dynamic, multicultural, intergenerational congregation growing in our relationship with one another and with Jesus Christ to be His hands, feet, and voice in the world.

Rev. Harold Hendren, Senior Pastor

Rev. Jim Divine, Lake Deaton Pastor

Rev. Kristyne Young, Pastor of
Congregational Life

Rev. Marilyn Anell, Visitation Pastor



Stephen Ministers are members of our congregation who have received 50 hours of initial training to listen, care, encourage, and support people who are going through tough times. Congregations today are overwhelmed with needs for care — the needs of our own congregation and the community in which we live.

We live in a fast-paced and fragmented world. People suffer crises and tragedies, but they don't always have someone they can count on to walk with them through those times. Family and friends may be scattered, or you may not want to confide your deepest concerns with a friend. Who can you turn to? A Stephen Minister. We are here for...

- People who are hospitalized
- People who are grieving
- People and their families who are facing death
- People fighting cancer or other debilitating illnesses
- People providing long-term care for a loved one
- Those experiencing loneliness or discouragement
- Those who are homebound or convalescing or rehabilitating

Everyone faces periods of crisis, transition, or difficulty. During those times, a caring relationship with someone who will faithfully listen to, pray for, and encourage you with Christ's love can be a tremendous help. No one knows that you have a Stephen Minister unless you tell them.

If you think that a Stephen Minister would help you or a friend through one of life's difficult times, please call the Congregational Care Office at (352) 750-4529 and ask about this caring ministry of our church.

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



Altar Flowers

The Altar flowers have been provided by Austin & Joyce Leahy in celebration of their 62nd anniversary.



New Covenant Men's Chorus

Tuesdays, October 10-24 at 9 a.m. — Classrooms 8/9 (Choir Room)

The Men's Chorus will participate in the 9:15 & 10:45 Worship Services on Sunday, October 29. Rehearsals will be held Tuesdays in October.

For more information or to sign up, please contact Bonnie Fisher, Men's Chorus Director, at (614) 565-0953 or bonniefisher53@gmail.com.



A Prayer Service of Healing, Hope, and Holiness

Wednesday, October 11 at 5 p.m. — Christian Life Center

In the aftermath of the recent Los Vegas tragedy and the continual unrest in our country, we will hold a service. We hope you will join us as we pray for the families and community who lost so much, and for our country.



ABBA Art — New Ministry

Tuesdays from 1-4 p.m. — Classroom 1

Designed to allow the Holy Spirit to be expressed through art, this program is open to all ages and levels of ability. Classes will typically be six weeks and themed in various art mediums.

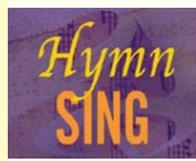
For more information or to register, please call or text Cindy O'Lear at (810) 919-4370, or stop by the kiosk in the East Narthex to speak with her.



Christmas at New Covenant

Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m. — Classrooms 8/9 (Choir Room)

If you would like to sing in the "Christmas at New Covenant" concerts on Sunday, December 17, please join us in the Choir Room after our regular choir rehearsals.



Fifth Sunday Night Hymn Sing!

Sunday, October 29 at 6 p.m. — Christian Life Center

The Hymn Sing returns! Join Sean Pollock and special guest pianist, Ken Wadley, for a time of worship singing your favorite hymns and choruses.



The Best Christmas Pageant Ever

Sunday, December 3 at 5 p.m. — Christian Life Center

This presentation will be part of our "Hanging of the Greens" service. Adult actresses and actors are needed to join the children of PeAr (Performing Arts after-school program) for their performance of this fun play.

If you are interested and have an acting ability, please contact Brianna Jimenez at (352) 750-4529 or bjimenez@newcovenantumc-fl.org.



Set Construction and Costume Sewing

We are looking for carpenters, painters, artists, and seamstresses for our Christmas performances of *Amahl and the Night Visitors*. This is a collaboration of New Covenant, St. Timothy Catholic Church, and the Central Florida Lyric Opera.

If you have a talent and are able to lend a hand, please contact Sean Pollock at (352) 750-4529 or spollock@newcovenantumc-fl.org.

Outreach Ministry



Operation Christmas Shoe Box

Christmas shoe boxes are an opportunity for you to make a difference in the life of a child at Christmas. Shoe boxes are available for you to purchase for \$1 in the East and West Narthexes between Worship Services. Each shoe box contains complete instructions on how to fill it.

All boxes must be returned by **Sunday, October 29** with a \$7 check to cover shipping costs. If you have any questions, please call Larry Taylor at (352) 750-9092.



Join a Unity Movement Gathering

The focus of this network is to unify the body of Christ across racial and denominational lines in our area, and make our community better. We want to intentionally gather together as leaders and form relationships. We want to bring our people together, to eat, to worship, to strategize, and to become one, on a regular basis.

Area-wide Prayer Vigil for Unity

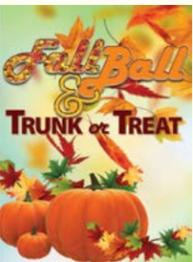
- Sunday, October 15 at 4 p.m. at Wildwood City Hall
We are planning to fast together that day leading up to the gathering.

Community-wide Revival

- Monday-Friday, November 6-10 at New Life Center Ministries
We are hoping to gather in worship every night this week!

Community Unity Worship

- Saturday, December 2 at 4 p.m. at The City Ministries
The goal is to bring all of our churches together in worship.



We Need Your Help with Fall Ball & Trunk or Treat!

Tuesday, October 31 from 3-7 p.m. — Summerhill Campus

We need the following:

- Women's Ministry: Bake Sale Donations
- Men's Ministry: Parking Lot Attendants
- Small Groups: Bounce House Attendants
- Children's Ministry: Ticket Sales and Greeters

Be a Trunk or Treat participant and pass out candy from your golf cart or car. Decorating golf carts and trunks is encouraged, but not mandatory. Candy donations are also greatly appreciated. You may drop off candy in front of the Children's Room (located next to the Chapel.) Please avoid hard candies.

If you are involved in a ministry or small group, please contact the ministry leader or small group leader for specific information. For all other information, please contact Brianna Jimenez, Children's Minister, at bjimenez@newcovenantumc-fl.org or (352) 750-4529.

Thank you for supporting these efforts during a time of crises.

We continue to pray for those affected by disasters in our country and around the world.

Wildwood Food Pantry	\$3,105
UMCOR International Disaster Relief	\$2,365
UMCOR Domestic Disaster Relief	\$25,455
Florida Conference of the United Methodist Church (Florida Disaster Relief)	\$6,635

In addition to these generous donations, New Covenant was one of three churches in the North Central District that collected items for the Disaster Recovery Effort. Last week, we delivered to Gainesville and Stark: over 400 flood buckets, boxes of hygiene kits, water, toiletries, baby items, cleaning supplies, paper products and non-perishable food items. The response from our congregation and others in the area was truly overwhelming!

Making connections



John Wesley & Our Methodist Heritage

Tuesdays, October 10 & 17 from 9:30-11 a.m. — Chapel

Please join Pastor Harold as he leads this two-part Member Path Class about the life of John Wesley and understanding our Methodist heritage.

There is no cost for this class, however, we ask that you sign up to be sure that we have enough classroom space and materials. Class materials are provided on the first day. To sign up, please contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org or (352) 750-4529.



Discover New Covenant

October 14/15, 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.

"Ask Me" Ministry

Would you like to help people connect to New Covenant? We are continuing to expand our team on Saturdays and Sundays that meets with people while they are here for services and classes to help them feel at home and answer questions about New Covenant. If you would like more information or to volunteer, please contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at (352) 750-4529 or khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org.



Connect Small Groups Facilitator Training

Monday, October 16 (Part 1) and Wednesday, October 25 (Part 2)

From 1:30-3:30 p.m. — Conference Room

Have you considered facilitating a Connect Small Group of five to twelve people who want to connect in community, caring, and a Christ-centered curriculum? If you enjoy engaging others in a discussion around God's Word and encouraging them in their relationships with each other and with Jesus Christ, facilitating a small group may be a great way for you to use your gifts and abilities to glorify God.

For more information or to register for the Facilitator Training Workshop, please contact Jenny Sweat at (352) 750-4529 or jsweat@newcovenantumc-fl.org.



Solo Flight

Friday, October 20 from 4-6 p.m. — Chapel

All singles are invited to attend our monthly meeting. Our guest Speaker will be Lt. Robert Siemer of the Sumter County Sheriff Dept. His topic will be on *Safety For Singles*.

Singles Table Talk/Dinner after the meeting will be a "Salad Bowl Bar" in the Chapel. Bring any type of salad or a pot luck item, and please don't forget a serving utensil. Recipes are welcome if you desire to share. Dream Team plans for 2018 will also be included. If you have any questions, please contact Laura Tomich at (352) 259-1200.

Thank You...

- For joining us at the fundraiser at the Metro Diner, which raised \$8,500 for our Helping Hands Outreach Ministry.
- For your support with the Youth Car Wash, which raised over \$1,000 for next year's youth mission trips.

Because We Care... Congregational Care Ministries



Prime Time — Everyone is Invited!!

Thursday, October 12 from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. — Worship Center

New Covenant members, attendees, and friends, please join us on the second Thursday for a time of music, devotion by Stephen Wright, Associate Director of Congregational Care, and fitness/exercise.

Our program this month will be an Autumn Wreath Project and will be followed by a time of fellowship and lunch. Lunch is \$6 payable at the door. To make a reservation, please call the office at 750-4529 by Monday, October 9 and indicate if you need transportation.



What You Do Today Can Improve Your Tomorrows!

Saturday, October 28 at 8 a.m. — Brownwood Town Square

New Covenant has a team participating in a great, fun-filled event, the annual *Running of the Squares*. This event begins in The Villages with the first race at Brownwood Square. You can either run or walk this 5K (3.1 miles) race. The second and third races will be in January and March.

To register, go to <https://runsignup.com/Race/FL/TheVillages/RunningoftheSquares-Brownwood>, under our community team, NCUMC. You must register before Wednesday, October 25. Let's see if we can have the largest team this year! For more information, please email Karen Hughes at twofortydesign@hotmail.com.



Congregational Health Team

We need additional team members for this proactive group that sponsors our Health Education Speaker series, walking and biking groups, Yoga, and other exciting opportunities to improve our health and take care of the temple God has given us.

If this interests you, please call the Congregational Care office (352) 750-4529.



Angels & Amigos

We are in need of more volunteers to assist with transportation to medical appointments in The Villages area on a regular or occasional basis. We also need people for transportation the second Thursday of each month for our Prime Time program.

If this is something that you can help with, please call the Congregational Care office (352) 750-4529.



The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for: Carol Winschel who lost her husband of over 50 years; Fred Jacob, a 90-year-old with failing health; Loretta Mariani who is grieving over the loss of her husband and her own health concerns. Please pray for peace, strength, comfort, and healing.

Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...

Sandy Hove, family and friends on the passing of her husband Bob; Ty London, family and friends on the passing of her mother Jean Fernandez; and the family and friends of Nettie Ford.

New Concerns

Ashley, Jason Bowers, Jan Campbell, Susie Carr, Joshua Duffy, Wanda Eavers, Iris Fuson, Audrey Hicks, Lucille Jesaitis, Jonah, Keaton, Penny Kinney, Bob Logterman, Mike, Paula & Pete Nicholas, Dick Richards, Autumn Simms, Rob Stone, Pat Tennis, Vern & Penny, Pat Webster, Gary Wetterhall, Don Whipp, Trenton Wilkes