



Altar Flowers

The Altar flowers have been provided by Nancy Thomas in honor of her mother's 96th birthday; Nancy Oberle & family in memory of Tom Oberle; Chuck & Sue Sundquist in celebration of their 55th anniversary.

New Covenant Men's Chorus

Tuesdays, October 17 & 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.

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

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.

"Christmas at New Covenant" Choir

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.

Text Giving Has Arrived at New Covenant

If you wish to text your tithes and offerings, simple directions are available at the Welcome Center in the East Narthex.

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
October 15	Mark 1-3	Matthew 8:14-34; Mark 4-5	Sunday: No Reading	Matthew 18
October 16	Mark 4-5	Matthew 9-10	Philippians 1:27-2:18	Matthew 19
October 17	Mark 6-7	Matthew 14; Mark 6; Luke 9:1-17	Philippians 2:19-3:11	Matthew 20
October 18	Mark 8-9	John 6	Philippians 3:12-4:7	Matthew 21
October 19	Mark 10-11	Matthew 15; Mark 7	Philippians 4:8-23	Matthew 22
October 20	Mark 12-13	Matthew 16; Mark 8; Luke 9:18-27	Colossians 1	Matthew 23
October 21	Mark 14	Matthew 17; Mark 9; Luke 9:28-62	Colossians 2:1-3:11	Matthew 24
October 22	Mark 15-16	Matthew 18	Sunday: No Reading	Matthew 25

Then God spoke all these words: "I am the LORD your God who brought you out of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. (1) You must have no other gods before me... (2) Do not make an idol for yourself... (3) Do not use the LORD your God's name as if it were of no significance... (4) Remember the Sabbath day and treat it as holy... (5) Honor your father and your mother... (6) Do not kill... (7) Do not commit adultery... (8) Do not steal... (9) Do not testify falsely against your neighbor... (10) Do not desire anything that belongs to your neighbor." —Exodus 20:1-17

Lord, help us to be obedient to your commands upon our life. You give us rules to live by, but we have a difficult time keeping them. Our sinful nature pulls us in the opposite direction than you would desire for our lives. Forgive us, Lord, and for our own good, help us to keep within the boundaries you have carefully laid out. 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	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	Stateless People	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. 3470 Woodridge Dr. • The Villages, FL 32162
Phone: 352-750-4529

Summerhill Blended Worship
Sunday 7:45 • 9:15 • 10:45 a.m. Email: ncumc@newcovenantumc-fl.org

Summerhill Children's Orchard Worship
Sunday 10:45 a.m. (Classroom 1) Website: www.newcovenantumc-fl.org
Lake Deaton Worship (Eisenhower Rec Center) Facebook: New Covenant United Methodist Church ~ A Place to Call Home
Sunday 8:30 • 10:00 a.m. Accessible

Worship Attendance for last week: 2,374

(BEACH) 51 • (Roots) 18 • (God's Girls) 12 • (Grounded Youth Group) 21
(Celebrate Recovery) 70 • (Fresh Expressions) 50 • (Orchard Worship) 9
(Saturday Contemporary) 262 • (Sunday Summerhill) 7:45-221 • 9:15-730 • 10:45-548
(Sunday Lake Deaton) 8:30-165 • 10:00-217



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



New Covenant's Outreach Ministry will host our annual Christmas Wish Tree event in November. Enjoy the holiday season by shopping and fulfilling the dreams of a child! Help children and parents feel the blessings of Christian love from our congregation! There will be a Christmas tree in both the East and West Narthexes. These trees will be filled with Christmas tags. Each tag contains a "wish list" of a child in our community from these three organizations...

- **Voices for Children:** Foster children through the Guardian Ad Litem Program
- **Wildwood Mentor Program:** Wildwood Middle High School Mentee students
- **Kids Central, Inc.:** Children through the Wildwood Family Resource Center



Volunteers are needed each Sunday in November to record tags handed out and collect returned gifts. For more information or to volunteer, please call Pam Brown at (319) 321-8934 or Cherie Paisley at (301) 928-9483.



Operation Christmas Shoe Box

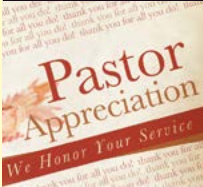
It's not too late to make a difference in the life of a child with Operation Christmas Shoe box! Our goal this year is to ship 815 shoe boxes to children in the Dominican Republic through COPA (Cooperative Partners Ministry) and 585 shoe boxes to Samaritan's Purse.

Shoe boxes are still available between Worship Services in both Narthexes for you to purchase for \$1. When you pick up your shoe box, it will contain complete instructions on how to fill and return it any weekend between Worship Services.

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.

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



Pastors' Appreciation Weekend

Saturday & Sunday, October 21-22 — East Narthex

Next weekend, we will observe Pastors' Appreciation Weekend, a time set aside each year to recognize the personal and spiritual contributions our pastors make to their New Covenant family.

A reception in their honor will be held following each Worship Service at both campuses. You are encouraged to thank them personally, bring in a note or card, or send an email thanking them for helping us to become the hands, feet, and voice of Jesus in the world.



Look, Learn, Lead Study Guides

"Moses" Sermon Series

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.

Outreach Ministry



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.



Fall Ball & Trunk or Treat!

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

We need lots of candy for all the children that attend this annual event. If you can not join us, please consider donating candy. No hard candies, please, these are a choking hazard for little ones. All candy donations may be dropped off in front of the Children's Room.

Golf carts and cars must be parked in the designated Trunk or Treat area by 4 p.m. Decorating golf carts and trunks is encouraged, but not mandatory. If you wear a costume, please avoid scary themes. Bring folding chairs for your comfort and plan to stay for the entire event. You will need at least 400 pieces of candy. No hard candies, please.

There are also many volunteer opportunities still available: Women's Ministry Bake Sale needs bakers and ladies to sell, and small groups are needed for Bounce House Attendants.

For more information, please contact Brianna Jimenez, Children's Minister, at bjimenez@newcovenantumc-fl.org or (352) 750-4529.

Making connections

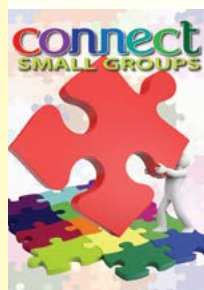


Discover New Covenant

This weekend 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.

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



Connect Small Groups

Love God! Love Others! Together is Better!

Whether you are "seasonal" or a "full time" resident, there is a Connect Small Group for you! Connect Small Groups of five to twelve people meet regularly for the common purpose of strengthening their relationships with each other and with Jesus Christ. Groups enjoy supporting each other, caring for each other, and fellowship together as they study Christ-centered curriculum.

For more information, please contact Jenny Sweat at jsweat@newcovenantumc-fl.org or (352) 750-4529.



Southern Caribbean Cruise Meeting

Thursday, October 19 at 4 p.m. — Chapel

The Early Risers Sunday School class is sponsoring a 10-day cruise to the Southern Caribbean in February 2019 on the Crown Princess. Please join us for an information meeting to review the cruise itinerary. A representative will be present to answer questions.

The trip is open to all members and non-members of the congregation, and those outside our congregation. For more information, please contact Dale Newland at (352) 751-4283 or dnewland101@comcast.net.



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 pot luck item, serving tool, and (if desired) the recipe.

Information about our Christmas Banquet and Dream Team plans for 2018 will be available at this meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Laura Tomich at (352) 259-1200.



New Member Classes

Lake Deaton Campus: Sunday, February 11 from 11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

Summerhill Campus: Monday, February 12 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 Center, or contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org or (352) 750-4529.

Because We Care... Congregational Care Ministries



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.



Christian Counseling

We are fortunate to have a Christian Counseling team here at New Covenant. Connie Giguere and Brenda Warren are both accepting new clients. Not limited to members of New Covenant, it is open to the community.

If you, or someone you know, may benefit from Christ-centered counseling, please call Congregational Care at (352) 750-4529. For more information about our counseling department, please visit our church website and click Support Ministries / Counseling.



Congregational Care Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are always needed for these ministries: Angels & Amigos, Congregational Health, Happy Hands Knitting and Crocheting, Helen's Helpers, Home Communion, Prayers & Squares, PrimeTime, Toby's Encouragers, and many more.

For more information on these or other Care ministries, please call the Congregational Care office at (352) 750-4529.

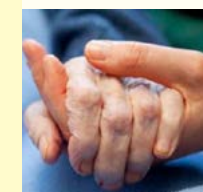


Hope for Hurting Parents

Thursdays at 2 p.m. — Classroom 14

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.



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.



Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...

The family and friends of Ellen Lovering on her passing; and Ed & Pat Wiggins, family and friends on the passing of Ed's sister, Shirley Barlow.

New Concerns

Pat & Al Beard, Brian Becker, Marlene Bond, Jason Bowers & Tiffany, Iris Fuson, Cameron Hendren, Raymond Klupal, Jennifer Knudsen, Linda & Rebecca, Cindy Lopez, Eileen Morgan, Jake Pitts, Kwame Satterfield, Millie Sloan, Gary Wetterhall, Don Whipp