



REMINDER: Please take your weekly bulletin home as you leave today. Use it as a prayer guide for the scheduled activities and the ministries of our church.



Altar Flowers

The Altar flowers have been provided by Lee Garrard, Bill Firman, and Tammy Munsey in memory of Linda Firman; and Annetti Grede and Andrea Huber in memory of Fred Grede.



Communion Servers Needed

If you would like to assist with serving communion the first Sunday of the month, please contact Jill or Lesan Van Syckle at (352) 751-7447.



"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.



ABBA Art — New Ministry

Tuesdays from 1-4 p.m. — Classroom 1

Think you don't "qualify" for this program because you believe you don't have artistic abilities? 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.



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

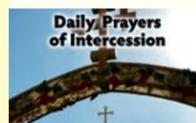
This presentation will be part of our "Hanging of the Greens" service. Adult actresses and actors are needed to join the children of PeAr (Performing Arts after-school program) for their performance of this fun play.

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



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.



Prayer CD

Accompanied by meditative music, this 31-day prayer CD has been recorded by Donna Hendren to assist you with your daily prayer lives, while deepening your relationship with God.

For a suggested donation of \$10, this 2-CD set will be available at a kiosk in the East Narthex between Worship Services, November 3-4 and 10-11.

One hundred percent of the proceeds will support The Bertha Fund, a scholarship program for persons requesting financial assistance for Christian counseling.

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
October 22	Mark 15-16	Matthew 18	Sunday: No Reading	Matthew 25
October 23	Luke 1	John 7-8	Colossians 3:12-4:18	Matthew 26
October 24	Luke 2-3	John 9:1-10:21	1 Thessalonians 1-2	Matthew 27
October 25	Luke 4-5	Luke 10-11; John 10:22-42	1 Thessalonians 3:1-4:8	Matthew 28
October 26	Luke 6-7	Luke 12-13	1 Thessalonians 4:9-5:28	Mark 1
October 27	Luke 8-9	Luke 14-15	2 Thessalonians 1-2	Mark 2
October 28	Luke 10-11	Luke 16-17:10	2 Thessalonians 3	Mark 3
October 29	Luke 12-13	John 11	Sunday: No Reading	Mark 4

All the Israelites criticized Moses and Aaron. The entire community said to them, "If only we had died in the land of Egypt or if only we had died in this desert! Why is the LORD bringing us to this land to fall by the sword? Our wives and our children will be taken by force. Wouldn't it be better for us to return to Egypt?" So they said to each other, "Let's pick a leader and let's go back to Egypt." (Numbers 14:2-4)

Lord, we are quick to complain when we don't get our way. We want to point a finger at others when we should take a long, hard look in the mirror. We want to cast blame. Blame you, our family, our friends, our neighbors when we really have nobody to blame but ourselves. Lord, forgive us for our shortsightedness, our self-absorption, our lack of self-awareness. Help us to "see" a better way. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

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	Responding to North Korea	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: 2,593

(BEACH) 56 • (Roots) 16 • (Grounded Youth Group) 22

(Celebrate Recovery) 75 • (Fresh Expressions) 25 • (Orchard Worship) 8

(Saturday Contemporary) 246 • (Sunday Summerhill) 7:45-212 • 9:15-900 • 10:45-594

(Prayer Service) 70 • (Sunday Lake Deaton) 8:30-169 • 10:00-201



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



Join us for candy, costumes, fun, and an evening of sharing the love of Jesus with the community!

If you have participated in this event in the past, we hope to see you again this year! If you have not, we encourage you to do so. There are many ways for you to serve or get involved. Volunteers are needed to help run the different activities. If you would like to donate your time, please contact Brianna Jimenez, Children's Minister, at bjimenez@newcovenantumc-fl.org or (352) 750-4529.

"Trunk or Treat" will run from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

- Golf carts are great, but a 'traditional' trunk will do just fine if you bring your car. All golf carts and cars must be parked in the designated Trunk or Treat area by 4 p.m. You may arrive as early as 3:30 p.m. to set up.
- Decorating of golf carts and trunks is encouraged, but is not mandatory.
- If you wear a costume, please avoid scary themes.
- **Bring lots of candy!** Last year we had around 400 kids. We will have some extra candy for distribution in case you run low, but bring as much as possible. We recommend only giving one piece to each child. Please avoid hard candy, such as butterscotch or mints, since they are a choking hazard for our little ones.
- Bring folding chairs for your comfort.
- Please plan to stay for the entire event. We want the children who come at 6:00 to have the same experience as those who arrived at 4:30.

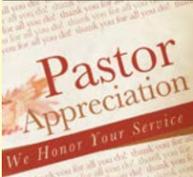
Candy donations are greatly appreciated! Candy may be dropped off in the Administration Office or outside the Children's Room. Please avoid hard candies, such as butterscotch or mints, since they are a choking hazard for our little ones.

This event depends on you!

We need you, your trunk, and your generous hospitality to make this event a success!

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

This Weekend — West Narthex

This is 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, drop off a note or card in the basket near the cake (or the Admin Office during the week), or send an email thanking them for helping us to become the hands, feet, and voice of Jesus in the world.



Holy Land Information Meeting

Wednesday, November 1 at 9:30 a.m. — Chapel

If you are interested in possibly taking a tour of the Holy Land, join Pastor Harold to learn more about the experience of "walking in Jesus' footsteps." The trip will be May 28–June 6, 2018. Brochures are available at the Welcome Center. Don Piper will also be attending this trip!

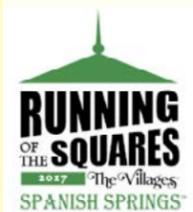


Look, Learn, Lead Study Guides

"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.



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 team name, **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.



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.

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.

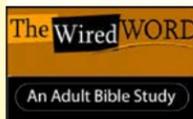


Southern Caribbean Cruise Registration

Thursday–Sunday, February 15–25, 2019

This 10-day cruise on the Crown Princess is sponsored by Gary Cantrell's Early Risers Sunday School Class. For registration information, please visit the kiosk in the East Narthex. The trip is open to everyone.

For more information, please contact Dale Newland at (352) 751-4283 or dnewland101@comcast.net.



Wired Word

Due to low attendance, our Saturday Wired Word class will no longer be meeting at 3:45 p.m. Future classes may be determined at a later date.



Facilitator Training — Dates Changed

Mondays, October 30 (Part 1) & November 6 (Part 2)

From 1:30–3:30 p.m. — Conference Room

Love God! Love Others Together is Better! Do you currently facilitate or rotate facilitators/leaders in your existing small group? Would you like to learn some new and exciting techniques on how to be a stronger facilitator for your group? 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?

We invite you to attend the informative Facilitator Training Workshop on how to better lead/facilitate your existing or new small group. 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, contact Jenny Sweat at (352) 750-4529 or jsweat@newcovenantumc-fl.org.



Discover New Covenant

November 11 & 12 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.



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.



Cancer Support Ministry

Friday, October 27 at 12 p.m. — Worship Center

If you are a survivor, currently battling, or a caregiver, you are welcome to attend our next luncheon! Our leaders are Rev. Donn and Katherine Poole. This is a joint ministry between New Covenant and Brownwood Baptist Churches.

To have a count for lunch, you must have a "free" ticket available at the Ticket Kiosk in the West Narthex, or on our website. You must obtain your ticket by Thursday, October 26. Donations will be accepted to offset the cost of the lunch.

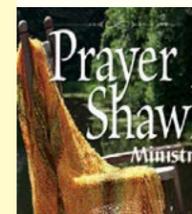


Congregational Health Volunteers Needed

Tuesday, November 14 at 6 p.m. — Worship Center

Congregational Health has many exciting events coming up, including the Educational Health Speaker series. Our first session will feature Dr. Gabe and Diana Mirkin. Dr. Mirkin is a widely-known sports medicine physician that has increased his focus on fitness and nutrition. He and his wife Diana have published several books and articles on healthful living and eating.

To be part of our team, please call the Congregational Care office 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 Congregational Care office at (352) 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.



Prayer Room

Our Prayer Room is open and available for your use! Be sure and take advantage of this wonderful space to spend a few moments in solitude with the Lord. The Prayer Room is open when the church is open. It is located off the West Narthex before you enter the Worship Center.



The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for: Barbara Shelley who is in ICU with Sepsis; Darla Yells who had a leg amputated due to diabetes; Carol Blake who has cancer; Reatha (Jean) Dye who has been in and out of hospitals; Nora Wheeler, a 2-year-old with brain cancer; Deborah L. Flynn who had surgery on her knee & hip; and Bill Wigton who has Leukemia. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

New Concerns

Bill Baldwin, Barbara, George Bell, JB Belz, Jason Bowers, Richard Brehm, Brown Family, Jan Campbell, Larry & Ineke Cunningham, Reatha (Jean) Dye, Debbie Flynn, Chet Hooper, Bruce Kooperud, Andy McLaughlin Family, Ben Parks, Barbara Shelley, Keith Roos, Lynn Savron, Marsha Wadd, Alexandria Webb, Lou Anne White, Darla Yells