



**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: Gene Murray in celebration of Mary Alice Bishop Murray's birthday; Lloyd & Densy Kell in memory of their son Jeff; and Joan Toole in memory of her husband Dr. J. Gerald (Jerry) Toole.



**Communion Servers Needed**

If you are able to assist with preparing the communion elements or serving communion on the first Sunday of each month, please contact Jill or Lesan Van Syckle at (352) 751-7447 for more details or to sign-up.



**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. Please join the children of PeAr (Performing Arts after-school program) for their performance of this fun play.

Following the children's performance, everyone may participate with the "Hanging of the Greens" (decorating the church). You will be assigned a specific task. Join the FUN!



**Flower Ministry — NEW**

Beginning in January, the cost for an arrangement of flowers to grace the altar of the sanctuary will be \$50. The sign-up book located at the Welcome Center in the East Narthex contains instructions for payment, as well as space for you to designate how the flowers should be recorded in the bulletin.

Arrangements may be donated to our Congregational Care Department's Flower Ministry for delivery to those hospitalized or home-bound. If you choose to take your arrangement home, please pick up arrangement following the 10:45 a.m. Worship Service.



**Shop AmazonSmile and Donate to New Covenant!**  
Christmas shopping is almost here! Did you know that you can shop and contribute to New Covenant? AmazonSmile is a simple way for you to support New Covenant every time you shop, at no cost to you.

When you shop at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com), Amazon will donate a 0.5 percent of the purchase price from your eligible smile.amazon.com purchases.

Instructions on how you can sign up are located at the Welcome Center. If you have any questions or need assistance signing up, please contact Jo Jones at (352) 750-4529 or [jjones@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:jjones@newcovenantumc-fl.org).



**Ten Important Words... To Live Your Life By**

Please stop by the Welcome Center and pick up one of Pastor Harold's special, meaningful cards. Pick up a couple and give one to a friend.

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

*"The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened." (Matthew 13:31-33)*

*Lord,* how majestic is your holy name. Your hands created the universe, yet you continue to pay such close attention to the details of our lives. You are so mighty, and what we contribute can be perceived as so tiny. Yet, you teach us that the Kingdom of God can be found in the small features of life. Help us to understand that you can use us for your greater plan. 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	Sexual Harassment & Assault	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.  
Fax: 352-259-2971  
Email: [ncumc@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:ncumc@newcovenantumc-fl.org)

Summerhill Children's Orchard Worship  
Sunday 10:45 a.m. (Classroom 1)  
Website: [www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://www.newcovenantumc-fl.org)

Lake Deaton Worship (Eisenhower Rec Center)  
Sunday 8:30 • 9:45 • 11:00 a.m.  
Facebook: New Covenant United Methodist Church ~ A Place to Call Home

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**Worship Attendance for last week: 2,735**  
(BEACH) 50 • (Roots) 17 • (Grounded Youth Group) 28  
(Celebrate Recovery) 45 • (Fresh Expressions) 80 • (Orchard Worship) 2  
(Saturday Contemporary) 263 • (Sunday Summerhill) 7:45-274 • 9:15-915 • 10:45-633  
(Sunday Lake Deaton) 8:30-200 • 10:00-228



*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

# Discover New Covenant

**Join us today in the Worship Center following each Worship Service to Discover New Covenant!**

Would you like to find out more about New Covenant? Are you interested in getting more involved? Would you like to be connected to a Connect Small Group? Do you have an interest in an opportunity to serve inside or outside of the church?

- Ask Me Ministry:** Would you like to help people get connected to New Covenant? We are continuing to expand our team that meets with people on Saturdays and Sundays, while they are here for Worship Services and Sunday School classes, to help them feel at home and answer questions about New Covenant.
- Parking Lot Greeters:** Help bring our extreme hospitality outside our doors and welcome people as they enter our church.
- Section Greeters:** Welcome and meet the people who sit around you during Worship Services. Get to know who sits near you — learn names and foster connections.

**Help to make New Covenant feel like home no matter how large we become!**

## Discover YOUR Connection

If you would like more information or want to volunteer, please contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at (352) 750-4529 or [khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org).

**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



**Fall Food Drive for the Wildwood Food Pantry**  
Our Food Drive is quickly approaching at both church campuses. Help us defeat hunger in the Wildwood area by donating non-perishable food items. After Worship Services this weekend, you will find a grocery bag on your car or golf cart. Please use the attached flyer to purchase listed items, fill your bag, return it next weekend, and place it in front of your car/cart. Someone will pick it up during services.

No time to shop, rather give cash? Write a check payable to "The Wildwood Food Pantry" and hand it to one of the many volunteers that will be collecting bags that weekend.



**Christmas Wish Trees**  
November is the month to participate in the annual Christmas Wish Tree Outreach Ministry. Tags are on the Christmas trees in both the East and West Narthexes during Worship Services. Look for the volunteers in red, green, and purple aprons. We are supporting children from the Wildwood Mentor Program, Voices of Children, and Kids Central, Inc.

If you enjoy shopping, select a tag from one of the Christmas trees — or if you would like to support this ministry financially, select a monetary gift card.



**An Evening of Hope Gala — Save the Date!**  
*Friday, January 26 at 5 p.m. — Worship Center*  
House of Hope, Inc. is a nonprofit, Christian ministry that provides a residential program dedicated to helping men reclaim their lives from the destruction of addictive behaviors. This volunteer-run program is sustained solely through fund-raising events and donations.

Tickets will be sold at a kiosk in the East Narthex the first 3 weekends in January.



**Operation Christmas Shoeboxes**  
Thanks to all who participated in filling shoe boxes this year. We collected 1,140 Christmas shoe boxes — 810 will go to COPA kids in Bombita, and 330 to Samaritan's Purse.



**Lions Club International "Recycle for Sight"**  
Make a positive difference. Donate your usable eyeglasses and help someone see better. New Covenant now has a donation box in the Resource Room to place your old glasses.



**New Covenant UMC Events Calendar**  
**Reminder!** All the events, meetings, and classes can be found on our website. Just log onto [www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://www.newcovenantumc-fl.org) and click on the calendar icon. You will also find a list of upcoming Memorial Services.



**Look, Learn, Lead Study Guides**  
*"Savior's Soup for the Soul" 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.

# Making connections



**Solo Flight Singles Ministry Meeting**  
*Friday, November 17 at 4 p.m. — Chapel*  
All single persons are welcome. Judy Carts will be speaking and showing pictures of God's unique and beautiful creations, *Birds of the Villages*. A pot luck dinner has been planned. Please bring an item to share and a utensil to serve.

Also, the "Movie & Dinner" has been changed to Tuesday, November 14. For specific details, please contact Laura Tomich at (352) 259-1200.



**Connect with a Small Group**  
*Love God! Love Others! Together is Better!*  
Looking for a couples Connect Small Group in the Spanish Springs area? We have a new group that is forming and facilitators are looking for couples who live in this geographic area to join their group.

Get connected today with this group of 5-12 others who are committed to growing spiritually together in meaningful relationships with each other, offering support and care to each other and looking for opportunities to serve.

For more information on this new small group or other opportunities, please contact Jenny Sweat at (352) 750-4529 or [jsweat@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:jsweat@newcovenantumc-fl.org).



**Yoga at New Covenant**  
*Mondays from 4–6 p.m. — Christian Life Center*  
Join us on Mondays for Yoga. Bring your mat and plenty of water. A \$3 donation for Children's Ministry is appreciated.

- 4–5 p.m. — Intermediate Yoga/ West Coast Pilates
- 5–6 p.m. — Beginners Yoga

For more information, please email Karen Hughes at [twofortydesign@hotmail.com](mailto:twofortydesign@hotmail.com).



**MOAMI**  
*Thursdays, January 11 through March 22 at 1 p.m.*  
Our Summerhill class registration is now open. To sign up, log on to the church website ([newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://newcovenantumc-fl.org)).  
• Click on the "Registrations" tab at the top of the page  
• Select "MOAMI 2018"

The cost of the class is \$30. You may pay with an electronic check, credit card, or debit card. For more information, please visit the kiosk in the East Narthex or contact Barb Dougal at (608) 751-1964.



**New Member Classes**  
**Lake Deaton Campus:** *Sunday, February 11 from 12:15–2 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](mailto:khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org) or (352) 750-4529.

**REMINDER**  
In order to welcome visitors to our weekend Worship Services, please remember to park in the East Parking Lot to allow visitors to park in the West Parking Lot. Thank you.

# Because We Care... Congregational Care Ministries



**Surviving the Holidays — This Weekend**  
*Sunday, November 12 at 4 p.m. — Chapel*  
This is a special workshop designed specifically to help those who have lost loved ones cope with the upcoming holiday season. This is open to the public and is a free event.

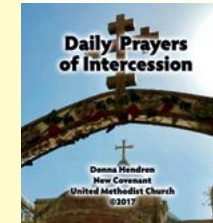


**Health Education Speakers Dr. Gabe and Diana Mirkin**  
*Tuesday, November 14 at 6 p.m. — Worship Center*  
Sports medicine doctor, fitness guru, and long-time radio and TV host, Dr. Gabe Mirkin brings you news and tips for your healthful lifestyle.

Dr. Mirkin trained at Harvard and Johns Hopkins, is board certified in four specialties, and practiced medicine for more than 50 years. He hosted a popular call-in radio show on fitness and health that was syndicated in more than 120 cities, has written more than 25 books including *The Sportsmedicine Book*, the best-selling book on the subject that has been translated into many languages, and held a professorship at Georgetown. Now he writes a free, weekly email newsletter on the latest in fitness, nutrition, and health. It is available free by going on [www.drmirkin.com](http://www.drmirkin.com).

Diana Mirkin has developed hundreds of tasty, easy recipes based on Dr. Mirkin's healthful eating guidelines. They feature whole grains, vegetables, beans and fruits, and are flavoured with lots of interesting seasonings.

Lecture Points: We know who is at high risk for obesity, diabetes, and heart attacks because certain markers put you at high risk for these diseases. Lifestyle factors are more effective than drugs in preventing and treating these diseases. Plaques in arteries are caused by an unhealthy diet, and no drug today can remove plaques. Plaques can only be removed by following a healthful diet. Calorie restriction does not cause permanent weight loss, but intermittent fasting is highly effective.



**Prayer CD Available Now**  
Stop by the kiosk in the East Narthex to get your copy of this 31-day prayer CD recorded by Donna Hendren. Designed to assist you with your daily prayer life, 100 percent of the proceeds will support The Bertha Fund, a scholarship program for persons requesting financial assistance for Christian counseling.

Suggested donation of \$10 for this 2-CD set.



**Volunteers Needed in Congregational Care Ministries**  
We are in need of more volunteers for Helen's Helpers, Congregational Health, and Home Communion. If you have a heart to serve, we have a place for you.

For more information, please contact Congregational Care at (352) 750-4529.



**The Gift of Prayer**  
The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for: Kathleen Gilmore who has chronic back pain; Jerrye Miles who has stage 4 breast cancer; Kay Fry who had eye surgery due to diabetes; and Kristyn Briggs. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

**New Concerns**  
Kristyn Briggs, Katie Buss, Elizabeth Tracy Capuano, Norma Jean Deardon, Callie Hutchman, Austin Leahy, family of Tim O'Neil, Julia, Tamra Muir, Meghan Price, Nancy R, Kristen Sydney Sanders, Don Whipp, Joyce Witmer, Mrs. Wyonen