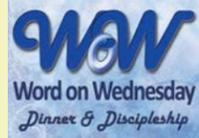


**Lake Deaton**  
 information is available at the  
**Welcome Center** each week.

*“Lord Jesus, I believe you are the Son of God. Thank you for dying on the cross for my sins. Please forgive my sins and give me the gift of eternal life. I ask you into my life and heart to be my Lord and Savior. I want to serve you always.”*



**Dinner and Fellowship**

**Wednesday, January 20 at 4:45 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center**  
 Join us for dinner followed by a presentation by Tom Wilkinson of the Florida United Methodist Foundation.

- **Menu:** Beef Vegetable Soup, Braised Pork Chops, Tossed Garden Salad, Diced Potatoes, Green Beans, Corn Muffins and Chocolate -Laced Eclairs.
- **Reservations are required:** Please enter the number attending in the “WOW” column of the attendance pad, or call the church office by noon on Monday. If you need to cancel, please notify the office as soon as possible.



**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.



**Performing Arts Program**

**Summerhill Campus**  
 PEAR Performing Arts after-school program began Tuesday, January 12 and will continue to run each week for the remainder of the school year. There is still time for children to sign up.

This program is for elementary and middle school children with an interest in the performing arts, specifically acting and singing, and will conclude with a production in May.

Registration is currently open. The cost is \$30 per month. If you are interested in registering a child or using your talent as a volunteer for this program, please contact Jessica Istre at 750-4529 or [jistre@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:jistre@newcovenantumc-fl.org).



**Volunteers Needed for Youth Ministry**

We are looking for positive and energetic volunteers to help out on Sunday nights and Wednesday afternoons. We meet every Sunday from 6-8 p.m. and every Wednesday (ROOTS after-school program) from 3:30-5:30 p.m. Youth Ministry is also looking for one to two adult male volunteers to accompany the middle and high school groups on their 2016 mission trips this summer.

If you're interested, please visit the kiosk in the Narthex this weekend, or contact Kayla McIntosh, Coordinator of Youth Ministries, at [kmcintosh@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:kmcintosh@newcovenantumc-fl.org).

**Your Scripture for this Week**

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
January 17	Genesis 48-50	Genesis 16-18	Sunday: No Reading	Matthew 17
January 18	Exodus 1-3	Genesis 19-21	Matthew 12:1-21	Matthew 18
January 19	Exodus 4-6	Genesis 22-24	Matthew 12:22-50	Matthew 19
January 20	Exodus 7-9	Genesis 25-26	Matthew 13:1-23	Matthew 20
January 21	Exodus 10-12	Genesis 27-29	Matthew 13:1-23	Matthew 21
January 22	Exodus 13-15	Genesis 30-31	Matthew 13:51-14:21	Matthew 22
January 23	Exodus 16-18	Genesis 32-34	Matthew 14:22-36	Matthew 23
January 24	Exodus 19-21	Genesis 35-37	Sunday: No Reading	Matthew 24

*“Don't push your way to the front; don't sweet-talk your way to the top. Put yourself aside, and help others get ahead.” (Philippians 2:3, The Message)*  
*Lord, help me take on the mind of Christ, that I might grow more and more like you daily. 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	Book of James — Developing a Faith that Works	Chapel
9 a.m.	Disciple II	Into the Word Into the World	Classroom 3
9 a.m.	Childcare	Children ages birth to 5 years old	Nursery
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	Claiming Our Scriptural Ancestors	Classroom 2
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders Class	Faith As Wesley Lived It	Classroom 11
9:15 a.m.	Faith Finders	Book of James — Developing a Faith that Works	Classrooms 6/7
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	Four Weddings and A Funeral	Chapel
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Overuse of Antibiotics	Classroom 14
10:30 a.m.	The Searchers	Book of James — Developing a Faith that Works	Classrooms 6/7
10:45 a.m.	Wesley Class	Faith As Wesley Lived It	Classroom 11

**New Covenant United Methodist Church**

**Contemporary Worship**  
 Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
 3470 Woodridge Dr. • The Villages, FL 32162  
 Phone: 352-750-4529 • (Fax) 352-259-2971  
 Email: [ncumc@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:ncumc@newcovenantumc-fl.org)  
 Website: [www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://www.newcovenantumc-fl.org)  
 Facebook: New Covenant United Methodist Church ~ A Place to Call Home

**Blended Worship**  
 Sunday 7:45 • 9:15 • 10:45 a.m.

**Children's Orchard Worship**  
 Sunday 10:45 a.m.

**Lake Deaton Worship (Eisenhower Rec Center)**  
 Sunday 8:30 • 10:00 a.m.

**Worship attendance for last week: 2,752**  
 (BEACH) 25 • (Celebrate Recovery) 87 • (Youth) 28 • (Orchard Worship) 15  
 (Saturday Contemporary) 358 • (Sunday) 7:45-258 • 9:15-945 • 10:45-687  
 (Lake Deaton) 8:30-170 • 10:00-179



*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. Marilyn Anell, Care Pastor

**Leave Your Legacy... Ensure Our Future**

**New Covenant UMC Endowment Fund**

**The** Planned Giving Committee invites you to the WOW dinner and program on Wednesday, January 20. The presentation following the dinner will be given by Tom Wilkinson, Vice President of the Florida United Methodist Foundation.

Tom has been in his current position since 2001. He utilizes his experience in Planned Giving, as well as his passion for creating a culture of generosity and Christian stewardship in the local church, as the basis for his exciting and informative presentation.

Planned Giving is an excellent way of sowing seeds today for future harvests that will benefit the church and its ministries for many years to come.



Just as the mustard seed grows into a large plant, planned gifts can grow into substantial endowment funds that will nourish and sustain our church for generations.

Join us for the WOW dinner and presentation to consider the ways to ensure that the gifts God has given us will continue supporting those you love and the ministries of your church long into the future.

Reservations are required. Please enter the number attending in the “WOW” column of the attendance pad, or call the church office by noon on Monday. If you need to cancel, please notify the office as soon as possible.

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

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

# Bible Studies Ministries

**Journey Bible Study — Summerhill Campus**  
*The Armor of God*, a Priscilla Shirer study, will be offered Tuesdays, February 2–March 15 from 1:30–3:30 p.m. **OR** 6–8 p.m. These classes are open to anyone looking to deepen their relationship with Jesus.  
 For more information or to sign up, visit the kiosk in the East or West Narthex this weekend or January 23/24. If you have any questions, please call Susan House at 350-0689.

**Member Path Classes**  
 These classes, developed as a part of the membership path, are open to those who are already members and also for anyone who is interested in finding out more about our foundational beliefs and faith enrichment.

Please visit the Connectional Ministries kiosk this weekend, or contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at 750-4529 or [khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org).

Class/Facilitator	Dates/Time	Description
"Creed" with Pastor Gary Cantrell	Tuesdays, February 9 – March 15 10–11:30 a.m.	The Apostles' Creed for Today
"A Disciple's Path" with Pastor Marilyn Anell	Tuesdays, March 15–April 26 5–6:15 p.m.	Deepening Your Relationship with Christ and the Church
"Invitation" with Ellen Pollock	Wednesdays, February 17 – April 27 6–7:30 p.m.	A study of the Old and New Testaments
"Network" with Pastor Gary Cantrell	Tuesdays, February 9 – March 15 3–4:30 p.m.	Discover your God-given gifts and passions for serving Christ
"Our Methodist Heritage" Pastor Harold Hendren	Wednesdays, February 3, 17, 24 5:45–7 p.m. (following WOW)	An overview of the origins of Methodism and the life of John Wesley

**Connections**  
 Interested in becoming a member? Connecting to serving in a ministry or finding out more about how New Covenant may serve you? Stop at the Connections kiosk in the Narthex. We have the answers!!!

**Next New Member Classes**  
 Our membership path consists of one "gateway" class offered four times a year. In this gateway class, you will hear about our vision of membership at New Covenant. After completing this class, you may join New Covenant and then choose enrichment classes throughout the year.

**Lake Deaton Campus:** Sunday, January 24 from 11:15 a.m.–1:15 p.m.  
**Summerhill Campus:** Monday, January 25 from 6–8 p.m.

Did you know there are different types of church membership? You may choose to retain your membership with another United Methodist Church (Affiliate membership), or church of another denomination (Associate membership), or Full membership at New Covenant. Please pick up a New Member registration at the Welcome Center in both Narthexes, or contact Kathy Yoakum at [khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org) or (352) 750-4529.

**2016 Offering Envelopes**  
 Envelopes for your giving are available at the Welcome Center or in the attendance pads.

# TidBits

**Holy Land Trip 2016**  
**Tuesday, January 19 at 10 a.m. — Summerhill Chapel**  
 If you would like to go to the Holy Land in May/June, please join Pastor Harold for this informational meeting. For more details about the trip, pick up a brochure at the Welcome Center in the Summerhill Narthex.

**Travel Opportunities for 2016 and 2017**  
**Tuesday, January 26 at 4 p.m. — Summerhill Chapel**  
 Two travel opportunities have been planned for 2016 and 2017. To learn more about these trips, please attend this upcoming meeting. For more information or to register, please contact Dale Newland at 751-4283 or [dnewland101@comcast.net](mailto:dnewland101@comcast.net).

- A seven-day bus trip to Lancaster, PA to see the production of *Samson at the Sight and Sound Theater*. Included will be guided tours of the Amish countryside and some additional shows. (September 25–October 1, 2016)
- A 10-day Panama Canal cruise on the Princess Cruise Line (February 18–28, 2017)

**Table Talk**  
 We are organizing the next round of Table Talk Dinner Groups for January through April. These are groups of eight who gather once a month for four months in homes or restaurants to enjoy a meal and fellowship. If you would like to participate, stop by the Welcome Center, fill out a form, and drop it in the designated box.  
 Please contact Patty Halstead at [patty.charlie@comcast.net](mailto:patty.charlie@comcast.net) or 633-2470 with questions.

**Safety Around the Church**  
 For the safety of our congregates and staff, please obey the traffic flow and directional arrows around the church.



**January Women's Gathering**  
**Thursday, January 21, 10 a.m.–1 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center**  
 "Water, Women, and the Spirit." Come and let the Holy Spirit move you as we sense the power of "living water." A special ceremony will renew and inspire you.

A lunch will follow for a suggested donation of \$5. Please RSVP by Monday, January 18 to Risë Segur at [rsegur@gmail.com](mailto:rsegur@gmail.com) or 350-6370.

**Women's Retreat with Betsy Kniffin**  
**Thursday, February 18, 10 a.m.–3 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center**  
 Betsy Kniffin, author, workshop leader, and vocalist, will bring you encouragement through humor, music, and the Good News of Jesus.

Tickets are available on our website ([www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://www.newcovenantumc-fl.org)), or at the ticket kiosk in the Summerhill West Narthex. Net proceeds benefit New Covenant Women's Ministry. A lunch prepared by our own Chef John Kellar is included for \$15.

# Pastoral Care

**"Health for HIM"**  
**Wednesdays, January 20–February 24 — Summerhill Campus**  
 Exercise can be fun! This one-hour class will keep everyone moving to music. A nutrition portion focuses on learning to eat well and to count calories at your favorite restaurants. We have a devotional time at the beginning of each class.

- Exercise Class: 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. in the Chapel
  - Nutrition Class: 1–2 p.m. in Classroom 3
- The cost for one class is \$15 and \$25 for both. For more information or to sign up, please visit the kiosk in the Narthex. You may also register on our church website ([www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://www.newcovenantumc-fl.org)).

**Winter Health Series**  
**NO Classes on January 18**  
**January 25 from 5–7:15 p.m. — Summerhill Chapel**  
 There is no registration fee. Participants may choose to attend one or both lectures. For more information, call Barbara Hays at 753-8877.

- 5–6 pm: Karen Lambert Hughes presents, *Namaste: Yoga For Health*
- 6–6:15 pm: Healthy snacks served between sessions
- 6:15-7:15 pm: Jackie Damron presents, *When and How Do We Choose a Health Facility?*

**Shepherd's Friends**  
**Tuesday, January 19 at 2 p.m. — Summerhill Classroom 2**  
 We are looking for a few extra people to join our team that visits those in area facilities who might not otherwise receive visitors. We are having a round table discussion about where this ministry is headed and how to look to the future for Shepherd's Friends.

If you would like to join this caring ministry, please come to our meeting. For more information, please contact Alice Fowler at 217-2510 or [alicefowler@gmail.com](mailto:alicefowler@gmail.com).

**JOY!**  
**Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. — Summerhill Classroom 11**  
 JOY! travels to retirement centers, assisted living facilities, and nursing homes to interact with residents and share the "joy" of God's love through inspirational stories, humor, and familiar songs. No musical experience is needed — just a Joy!ful heart. All are welcome!

**The Gift of Prayer**  
 The prayer quilt on the altar rail is for Thelma Airey. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

**Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...**  
 Herb Cork, family and friends on the death of his wife Rue; the family and friends of Ruth Muir; Bonnie Slater, family and friends on the death of her husband Joe; Wayne & Linda Underhill, family and friends on the death of his mother Frances; Sonja Waites, family and friends on the death of her husband Larry; and Kate Walsh, family and friends on the death of her husband Tom.

For dates and locations of memorial services, please check our website: [www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://www.newcovenantumc-fl.org).

This Week's Prayer Concerns:					
Janey Barry's son, Dave	Bexley	Brittany	Patty de George	Jenny Kuhn	Joyce Trewertha
Alexandria Webb	Sharon Witvoet				



### **Anthony and Beard Concert**

*Sunday, January 17 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center*

Enjoy an evening of a wide variety of music with Trumpeter Ryan Anthony, former member of the Canadian Brass, and Organist Gary Beard. Both artists have performed together on numerous occasions and recorded on the Pro-Organo label.

Tickets may be purchased at the ticket kiosk in the Summerhill West Narthex, or at the door prior to the concert. Net proceeds benefit New Covenant's Early Response Team. Artist Circle: \$20 • General: \$15



### **The Isaacs**

*Thursday, January 21 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center*

A multi-award winning family with a unique style that blends family harmony with contemporary acoustic instrumentation appealing to a variety of audiences. They perform regularly at The Grand Ole Opry and are active members of the Gaither Homecoming Concert Series.

Tickets are available on our website ([www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://www.newcovenantumc-fl.org)), at the ticket kiosk in the Summerhill West Narthex, and at The Villages Box Office. Net proceeds benefit New Covenant's Worship Ministry. Artist Circle: \$20 • General: \$15



### **The Villages Wind Ensemble**

*Sunday, January 24 at 3 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center*

"Music for a Sunday Afternoon." Enjoy memorable music — from movies and musicals to concert band originals and marches. Under the direction of Jill Van Syckle, this small concert band will provide a delightful afternoon of music.

Tickets are available on our website ([www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://www.newcovenantumc-fl.org)), or at the ticket kiosk in the Summerhill West Narthex. Net proceeds benefit New Covenant's Music Ministry. General Admission: \$15.



### **Greater Vision Concert**

*Thursday, February 4 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center*

For a quarter-century, Greater Vision has inspired audiences with their rich vocal blend and their ability to communicate the gospel. They have established a firm place at the pinnacle of Christian music, and have become the most awarded trio in the history of Gospel music.

Tickets are available on our website ([www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://www.newcovenantumc-fl.org)), at the ticket kiosk in the Summerhill West Narthex, and at The Villages Box Office. Net proceeds benefit New Covenant's Worship Ministry. Artist Circle: \$15 • General: \$12



### **Toast of Tampa Show Chorus**

*Sunday, February 21 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center*

Enjoy premier *a cappella* harmonies in the barbershop style of the dynamic Toast of Tampa Show Chorus. Toast of Tampa's 130 female singers and dancers are current 2016 International bronze champions. Joining them are very special guests, men's award-winning barbershop chorus, Heralds of Harmony, also from Tampa.

Tickets may be purchased at The Villages Box Office. Net proceeds benefit New Covenant's Men's Ministry. Artist Circle: \$20 • General: \$15