

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.”



Congratulations!!
 Join us in celebrating the graduation of Kristyne Young from Asbury Theological Seminary on Saturday, May 14. She is receiving her Masters in Divinity. Congratulations, Kristyne!

Trio Classique
Sunday, May 22 at 3 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center
 Trio Classique, violinist Sheryl Genco, cellist Ellen Shertzer and pianist Sean Pollock will perform works by Beethoven, Op. 1, No. 2 and Brahms, Op 87.

Joining Trio Classique is clarinetist Howard Shertzer performing *Suite for Violin, Clarinet and Piano* by Darius Milhaud.

This chamber music concert will benefit The Bertha Fund which was established to provide financial assistance to persons requiring Christian counseling services as offered by New Covenant UMC. A suggested donation of \$15 is requested.

Ivan Parker: A New Covenant “Homecoming”
Sunday, May 29 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center
 Delight in music featuring Ivan Parker, former singer with the Gaither Homecoming Artists and the New Covenant Chancel Choir. The concert will include a special time of Memorial Day Commemoration led by Pastor Marilyn Anell.
 A Love Offering will be accepted.

The Lullaby of Broadway
Friday, July 8 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center
 New Covenant’s own Angie Wiswesser and Sean Pollock join forces in presenting a concert of Broadway songs with special guests Maestro Bill Doherty, Pat Smith, and Brian Maderos. This program will include solos, duets, and trios. Net proceeds benefit “Backpack for Kids.”

General Admission Tickets: \$20
 Tickets will be available May 26 on our website at www.newcovenantumc-fl.org, at the Ticket Kiosk between Worship Services, and at the door the night of the event.

Our Altar Flowers are Provided by....
 Judy & Robert Fitzgerald in celebration of their tenth anniversary; Joan Jory in memory of her husband Wes on his birthday; and Gene Murray in celebration of Margaret Western Walczak’s “unbirthday.”

Your Scripture for this Week

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
May 15	2 Chronicles 18-20	2 Samuel 13-15	Sunday: No Reading	Luke 17
May 16	2 Chronicles 21-24	Psalms 3-4/12-13/28/55	John 1:29-51	Luke 18
May 17	2 Chronicles 25-27	2 Samuel 16-18	John 2	Luke 19
May 18	2 Chronicles 28-31	Psalms 26/40/58/61-62/64	John 3:1-21	Luke 20
May 19	2 Chronicles 32-34	2 Samuel 19-21	John 3:22-36	Luke 21
May 20	2 Chronicles 35-36	Psalms 5/38/41-42	John 4:1-26	Luke 22
May 21	Ezra 1-3	2 Samuel 22-23; Psalms 57	John 4:27-5:9	Luke 23
May 22	Ezra 4-7	Psalms 95/97-99	Sunday: No Reading	Luke 24

“If you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.” (Matthew 6:14-15)

Lord, you taught us to forgive and showed us the depth of your forgiveness by giving your life. Yet, we struggle to place it in our daily life. Help us to receive your forgiveness, extend your forgiveness, and live out your forgiveness. 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	Book of James — Developing a Faith that Works	Chapel
9:15 a.m.	Childcare	Children ages birth to 5 years old	Nursery
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	Did Jesus Say That?	Classroom 2
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders Class	Christianity and World Religions	Classroom 11
9:15 a.m.	Faith Finders	Book of James — Developing a Faith that Works	Classrooms 6/7
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	Fullness of Faith	Chapel
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Spiritual Direction	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	Christianity and World Religions	Classroom 11

New Covenant United Methodist Church

Contemporary Worship
 Saturday 5:00 p.m.

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.

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 A Place to Call Home

Worship attendance for last week: 2,210
 (BEACH) 36 • (Celebrate Recovery) 103 • (Youth) 25 • (Orchard Worship) 26
 (Saturday Contemporary) 280 • (Sunday) 7:45-201 • 9:15-706 • 10:45-528
 (Lake Deaton) 8:30-158 • 10:00-147



Rev. Harold Hendren, Senior Pastor
 Rev. Jim Divine, Lake Deaton Pastor
 Rev. Marilyn Anell, Care Pastor

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.

For more information, please contact Anne Foote Hill, Director of Church Administration, at (352) 750-4529 or afootehill@newcovenantumc-fl.org.



Wildwood Mentor Program

Launched September 2014, we are completing the second year of our Mentor Program! We have 32 Mentors from New Covenant and Wildwood UMC who each work with a Wildwood Middle High School eighth or ninth grader (Mentee) selected for the program.

New Mentors Needed

Our Mentor Program supports New Covenant’s strategic goal to identify and initiate solutions to promote long-term systemic change to improve the quality of life in surrounding communities. What better way to do that than to mentor a child? Our current Mentors will be “moving up” with their Mentees, but because of how well-received the program has been, we have more students who are asking for Mentors. We are looking for adults who have a heart for teenagers and a sincere desire to provide love, patience, guidance, and support over a period of five years as your Mentee journeys from eighth grade through graduation. The Program focuses on four foundational areas: physical, spiritual, behavioral, and academic/career needs. If God is leading you to do this, please email or call for an application. **Applications are due on Friday, July 1.** Training sessions will be held in July and August and the Mentor Program will kick off in September.

Why Mentor?

First year Mentor George Campbell states, “It is very gratifying to see the progress we have made in our relationship and how he is responding to suggestions to better balance the things in his live, to bring God, family and school to the forefront and put sports into better perspective.” One of our mentees, Sam, responded when asked what the Mentor Program means to him, “It means that someone wants me to not fail and become someone in life. Also that they are willing to help me with anything. I love it!” Finally, Mentor Cindy O’Lear wrote about her Mentee, “God has meant for Michael and I to be a team.”

WMHS Principal Hampton states, “The mentoring program has been awesome and great to have here at our school. Our students are better behaved students and it gives them the opportunity to speak with someone in the community to provide the same message that has been spoken from the parents and staff here. We are so grateful that our students can participate in this wonderful program.”

Dr. Elysee, WMHS Assistant Principal, says, “The New Covenant mentoring program gives our students a chance to learn at school while having a community advocate for them. I feel overjoyed when I observe the mentors taking time out of their busy schedule to come out and speak with our students about their education and being a role model. The students are responding in a positive light. Our students definitely appreciate the mentoring program.”



WMHS

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

WOW Dinner — Last of the Season!
 Wednesday, May 18 at 4:45 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center
 Please join us for dinner, followed by Gary Cantrell as he reviews the year and looks forward to fall 2016 and beyond.

- **Menu:** French Onion Soup with Cheese Croutons, Spring Nicoise Salad, Beef Bourguignon, Rice Pilaf, Green Beans Amandine, Rolls, and Cream-filled Eclair.
- **Price:** \$7 per adult, \$3 per child under 12, and \$15 per household (three or more people residing in the same house) — payable at the door.
- **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.

Solo Flight Singles Ministry
 Friday, May 20 at 4:30 p.m. — Summerhill Chapel
 All singles are invited to share in fellowship with a unique presentation given by a special artist. This will be our last monthly meeting until we resume on Friday, September 16.

The Next New Member Class is Almost Here!
 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.

- June New Member Classes:**
- **Lake Deaton Campus:** Sunday, June 12 from 11:15 a.m.–1:15 p.m. (lunch provided)
 - **Summerhill Campus:** Monday, June 13 from 6–8 p.m. (coffee & cookies provided)
- September New Member Classes:**
- **Lake Deaton Campus:** Sunday, Sept. 18 from 11:15 a.m.–1:15 p.m. (lunch provided)
 - **Summerhill Campus:** Monday, Sept. 19 from 6–8 p.m. (coffee & cookies provided)

Please pick up a New Member Registration form at the Welcome Center in the Narthex, or contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org or (352) 750-4529.

Get Connected
Connectional Ministry
 Discover New Covenant! Whether you are new to our congregation or a long-time member, visit the Connectional Ministry kiosk in the Summerhill Narthex and find out how to get involved and connected — to a caring community, to service, or to membership.

Please join us for our next C3 Caller Training on Tuesday, May 24 from 6:30–8 p.m. in Summerhill Classroom 11.

Table Talk
 We are organizing the next round of Table Talk Dinner Groups for May–August. 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 in the Summerhill East Narthex.

If you have any questions, please contact Patty Halstead at patty.charlie@comcast.net or (352) 633-2470.

Outreach Ministry

Bishop's Offering for 2016 Annual Conference
 "Leading Like Jesus" — June 16–18, 2016

This weekend you will find a "Special Offering" envelope in your bulletin. This special offering is being collected to support the clergy and laity of our Annual Conference with resources for leadership development in three areas:

1. Grants for innovative forms of "church beyond the walls" through the Fresh Expressions network
2. Inspiring and equipping our congregations to see, identify with and reach the neighborhoods around them in evangelistic, prophetic, apostolic, and missional ways
3. Training a core group of spiritual guides and mentors to encourage and sustain this work that has already begun

Our fundamental goal in the stewardship of these resources — both people, laity/clergy, and money — is that we follow Jesus into the world that he loves. Let us join him in his mission to love, heal, and save the people of Florida.

Songs for Your Soul this Sunday Night
 Sunday, May 15 at 7 p.m. — Savannah Center

This Sunday you can have your soul blessed and help the Wildwood Soup Kitchen at the same time with our *Songs for the Soul 5* concert. All of the proceeds, plus food collected at event, will benefit the Soup Kitchen. The evening will feature 11 individual performers and the Celebrants, a dance group.

Love INC Gas Can Needs a Refill

Love INC helps those less fortunate who need gas money/vouchers to get to work, a job interview, a medical appointment, or a food pantry. Spare change or bills placed in a "gas can" (just inside the Church Library to the left) helps provide the funding for this very important Outreach Ministry.



Women's Gathering: "May's Flowers – God's Flowers"
 Thursday, May 19 from 10–11:30 a.m. — Summerhill Worship Center
 Flowers, Family, and "Forget-Me-Nots"

The luncheon will follow our program. Tickets are \$5.
 Luncheon tickets are available on our website at www.newcovenantumc-fl.org, or at the Summerhill Ticket Kiosk in the West Narthex between Worship Services.

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 and click on the calendar icon.

Pastoral Care

Word of the Day
 hope (verb)
 to look forward to with desire

Hope for Hurting Parents
 Monday, May 16 from 6–7:30 p.m. — Summerhill Classroom 1
 Thursday, May 26 from 2–3:30 p.m. — Summerhill Classroom 14

This group is for parents (and grandparents) of children who struggle with addiction, incarceration, mental health challenges, and other life-altering events. There is no shame in asking for help and support.

Beyond the Broken Heart
 Begins Monday, June 6 at 10 a.m. — Summerhill Classroom 3

Care Ministry realizes that grief does not know time or seasons. We offer GriefShare® in the spring and the fall; *Beyond the Broken Heart* is here to help during the summer months. *Beyond the Broken Heart* is an eight-week program, facilitated by Karen Cleveland, Jim Law, Betty Mullon, Cindy O'Lear, and Barb Prindle, that helps and supports those who are struggling with grief and loss.

This program is open to anyone. The book is \$10 and scholarships are available as needed. Contact Barb Prindle in the Care Office at 750-4529 or bprindle@newcovenantumc-fl.org to let us know that you wish to attend, so that we have an adequate amount of books.

Volunteer Needs in Care Ministries

- **Congregational Health:** Serve on churchwide committee to help discern what health-related events/items are beneficial
- **Flower Ministry Deliveries:** Break down the Sunday altar flowers and deliver them to someone hospitalized, homebound, or in a rehab facility

- **Helen's Helpers:** Receive training to sit with a loved one while the primary caregiver gets a break
- **Toby's Encouragers:** Develop a relationship with a person living in an assisted living or nursing facility that may not receive any other visitors

Contact Care Ministry at 750-4529 for more information on these opportunities and other ways you can serve!

Hospital Visits

Please let our Care Ministry know when you have a procedure, hospital stay, or surgery — we want to pray for you. You may designate a family member or neighbor to call, but please be sure they have your full legal name because we often cannot find you from hospital reception.

The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilt on the altar rail is for Linda Browning who has glaucoma and depression. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...

Judy Holbrook, family and friends on the loss of her husband Tom; and Harley Ward, family and friends on the loss of his wife Margie.

For dates and locations of memorial services, please visit our website (www.newcovenantumc-fl.org) and click the Calendar button.

- Gladys Armstrong; Laura Beeler; Kathleen Bradwell; Lisa Cink; Faustino; Steve Hain; Jan Heber; Teresa Kelly; Derek Koebel; Paula Lott; Michael McKinley; Toni McLaughlin; Tom Moore; Mullens, West Virginia; Ed Murrie; Brittany Reynolds; William Scopettone; Judy Simms; Tom & Jonna Sheeder; John Spiker, Sr.; Allyn Wagaman; Patti Wilcox; Wood Family