

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.”



back to school L+CK in Youth Lock-in — August 8-9

We are in need of volunteers for our annual Back to School Lock In!!!! We are looking for 6-8 volunteers willing to come out and support our youth group. Volunteers will assist in supervising activities, recreation and other fun events.

We are asking volunteers to stay from 6–11 p.m. We are also looking for some very brave volunteers to stay from 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. Sunday morning. If you are willing to help, please call Kayla at (352) 750-4529 to sign up.



Calling All Volunteers...

Youth Ministries is looking for a few good volunteers to help out during the upcoming school year. Please call Kayla at 750-4529, if you are able to help with any of these programs.

- **Roots:** a Wednesday after-school program for middle school youth. They meet from 2:30–5:30. Volunteers are needed to help with homework, assist in leading recreation and Bible study.
- **Grounded:** a Wednesday evening Bible study for high school students. They meet from 6:00 to 7:00. Volunteers are needed to assist in leading Bible study.
- **Teen Twilight:** a Sunday evening youth worship/recreation night for middle and high school students. They meet from 6–8 p.m. Volunteers are needed to assist in leading recreation, worship and Bible study.
- **Student Activity Center:** The Grove is open every Tuesday and Thursday from 2:30 to 5:30 for high school youth to fellowship. Volunteers are needed to supervise and interact with youth.



New Covenant Kids Preschool

Now Accepting Applications for Full-time and Part-time

Our Preschool is for children approximately aged 12 months (able to run with ease and sit in a chair/bucket seat) to 36 months.

Our Hours Are:

- Full Time: 7:15 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.
 - Part-time: Mon/Wed/every other Friday, or Tues/Thur/every other Friday
- For more information, please contact the Preschool at (352) 633-7026.

Your Scripture for this Week

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
July 26	Ecclesiastes 9-12	Isaiah 40-43	Sunday: No Reading	Matthew 27
July 27	Solomon 1-8	Isaiah 44-48	Acts 20:13–38	Matthew 28
July 28	Isaiah 1-4	2 Kings 18:9-19:37; Psalms 46/80/135	Acts 21:1–25	Mark 1
July 29	Isaiah 5-8	Isaiah 49-53	Acts 21:26–22:21	Mark 2
July 30	Isaiah 9-12	Isaiah 54-58	Acts 22:22–23:10	Mark 3
July 31	Isaiah 13-17	Isaiah 59-63	Acts 23:11–35	Mark 4
August 1	Isaiah 18-22	Isaiah 64-66	Acts 24	Mark 5
August 2	Isaiah 23-27	2 Kings 20-21	Sunday: No Reading	Mark 6

For the sun rises with its scorching heat and withers the field; its power falls, and its beauty perishes. It is the same way with the rich; in the midst of a busy life, they will wither away. (James 1:12)

Lord, we are blessed beyond measure by your graciousness. You have given abundantly to us the most precious gift, which is life itself. Every day is a blessing from you. Let us live each day with the fullness that you would desire, and let us never take any day for granted. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Saturday Christian Education Classes

3:45 p.m.	Wired Word	Christian 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
9:15 a.m.	Childcare	Children ages birth to 5 years old	Nursery
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	The Gospel According to Mark	Classroom 2
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders Class	Psalms and Proverbs	Classroom 11
9:15 a.m.	Faith Finders	Book of James — Developing a Faith that Works	Classrooms 6/7
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	God's Prophets Demand Justice	Chapel
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Grandparents and Grandchildren	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	Psalms and Proverbs	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
 Sunday 9:30 a.m.
 (Eisenhower Rec Center)

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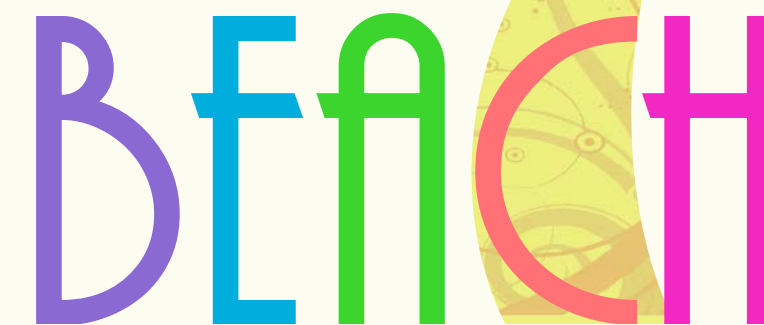
Worship attendance for last week: 1,848
 (Celebrate Recovery) 51 • (Youth) 20 • (Orchard Worship) 61
 (Saturday Contemporary) 263 • (Sunday) 7:45–167 • 9:15–569 • 10:45–558
 (Lake Deaton) 9:30–159



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

Let's Get Back to
BEACH resumes
Wednesday, August 12,
and we need your help!



We may be in the middle of summer, but our after-school program is gearing up!

BEACH is looking for all types of volunteers:

- **Chapel Assistants** (2:45–4:15) — These wonderful helpers greet the children as they arrive, supervise them in the Chapel while they enjoy a snack, and participate in worship and small group discussions.
- **Homework Helpers** (4–5:30) — Homework helpers are extremely important individuals who work in teams to support primary children (first to second/third) or intermediate kids (third/fourth to fifth) with their homework.
- **Outside Games** (4–5:30) — Outside games helpers will have a blast playing basketball, kickball, foursquare, and many other games with the kids.
- **Bus Chaperone** (1:45–3:30) — Being a bus chaperone is one of the most important jobs! It allows you to use your gift of patience when riding the bus each week to the different Charter School Campuses. You will greet the children at the bus door, check off each child as they enter the bus, and then help to keep the children in their seats and quiet until they arrive at the church.
- **Administration** (2–5) — Administration helpers work in teams of 2–4 volunteers to sign the children in and out, make sure that substitutes are called and scheduled if a volunteer will be absent, take care of putting Band-Aids and ice on boo-boos, report our official count, and make sure that everything runs smoothly.

If you feel led to volunteer or have any questions regarding the BEACH program, please visit the kiosk in the Narthex, or contact Jessica Istre at jistre@newcovenantumc-fl.org, or call the church office at (352) 750-4529.

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

Bible Studies Ministries

The Wired Word Saturday Christian Education Class will not meet August 1 through September 5. Please join us when we meet again on September 12.

Our Next New Member Class
 If you would like to become a member of New Covenant or learn more about our church, please sign up for our next membership class. For more information, please contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at 750-4529 or khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org. Classes will be held at:

- **Lake Deaton Campus:** Sunday, September 13 from 12–2 p.m., Eisenhower Rec Center
- **Summerhill Campus:** Monday, September 14 from 6–8 p.m., Worship Center

Fall Bible Study Fair
Saturday, August 15 and Sunday, August 16
 Visit the Fall Bible Study Fair either Saturday evening from 4–6:30 p.m. or Sunday from 7:30 a.m.–noon. This is a great opportunity to discover and sign-up for our wonderful fall Bible studies, such as...

- Covenant Bible Studies
- Community Bible Study (Men's & Women's)
- Discerning the Voice of God (A Priscilla Shirer study)
- Disciple Bible Studies
- Network Class
- What on Earth am I Here For? (Church-wide Small Group Study coming in October)

Let's Get Connected!
 Feeling disconnected? Want to be involved? Want to know more about our ministries? Please visit the kiosk in the Summerhill Narthex. You will receive a Connecting Ministry booklet with information on the many ministries at New Covenant along with a list of contacts.



Altar Flowers
The Altar Flower Sign-Up Book is located at the Welcome Center in the Narthex. Please sign up today to provide altar flowers on the weekend of your choice. *To guarantee publishing, please be sure to sign up no later than 10 days prior to your requested date.* The sign-up sheet will be removed the Monday morning prior to publication. A \$40 donation will reserve your preferred date in honor or in memory of your special person or event.

Our flowers this week have been provided by Ruth Kline in memory of her husband Cliff.

Mark Your Calendar

concerts EVENTS

"Cabaret for Kids Gala" Concert
Friday, July 31 at 6:30 p.m. at the Eisenhower Rec Center
 The "Great American Songbook" with Sean Pollock and Angie Wiswesser. Proceeds from the evening's event will benefit the Jean Kelly Backpacks for Kids — a program providing backpacks with school supplies for students in need at Wildwood and The Villages Charter Schools.

- Tickets are \$45 and are available at the Kiosk in the Narthex and the church office
- Silent auction and catered buffet is from 6:30–8 p.m., with the concert from 8–9 p.m.

"Great Day" Concert at New Covenant
Sunday, August 9 at 6 p.m. in the Christian Life Center
 Bill and Brenda Ferguson and their children Lisa Ann, Sara Lynn, and Steven provide a wide range of music, from old quartet standards, to fresh new arrangements of gospel music's most prolific writers.

Great Day will grace us with their beautiful gospel music during our Sunday morning Worship Services at the Summerhill Campus on August 9. Later that evening, they will present a concert for our enjoyment. The concert is free and open to the public. A love offering will be accepted.

Sandi Patty in Concert at New Covenant
Thursday, September 17 at 6 p.m. in the Christian Life Center
 Sandi is the most awarded female vocalist in contemporary Christian music history, with 40 Dove Awards. "I am grateful for the many opportunities God has given in my life and for how He has allowed me to spread my wings," says Sandi. "Singing is my way to tell my story of hope, life, and love."

- Tickets are available at The Villages Box Offices.
- Artist Circle \$40
 - Reserved Seating \$35 / \$30 / \$25

Upcoming Special Events

Fall Bible Study Fair
 • August 15/16

Ministry Fair
 • October 17/18

Marriage Weekend
 • November 6/7

Mark your calendar for these special events. More information will be available soon.

Lost & Found
 Are you missing something? Please check our Lost & Found as there are several items that have been left behind. Some of these include: eyeglasses, umbrellas, hats, earrings, etc.

Lost & Found is located in the Resource Room (in the hallway between the old Narthex and the Chapel). There is also a box at the Welcome Center with some of the smaller items.

Pastoral Care

Reachin', Preachin', Teachin' Hands Puppet Ministry
Tuesdays from 1–3 p.m. in Classrooms 6/7
 Learn how you can lend a hand to join in the fun — script writers, props, music and sound, stage manager, scenery construction, costumes, lighting, puppeteers, persons with skills in humor, magic, etc.
 For more information or to volunteer, please contact Linda Underhill at 259-5669 or wunderhill@embarqmail.com, or Judy Johnson at 259-8875 or dcjmj28@hotmail.com.

Alzheimer's Support Group
Thursdays from 10–11:30 a.m.
 A weekly opportunity for caregivers of Alzheimer's patients or persons with other forms of dementia to meet for education, encouragement, and spiritual support. Respite care for loved ones is available.

PrimeTime
Thursday, August 13 from 10–11:30 a.m. with lunch following
 Join us in the Worship Center for fellowship, devotional, singing, and chair exercises, followed by a light lunch for \$5. Reservations are requested by Monday, August 10.
 Call the church office at (352) 750-4529, and indicate if you need transportation.

The Gift of Prayer
 The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for Dot Montmarquette who is suffering grief from the loss of husband Joe; Heidi who has had Lyme's Disease for over one year; Steve Matthews who has pancreatic cancer; and Colleen Marchese who has a pancreatic tumor. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

Please come to the prayer rail during prayer time, or between Worship Services, and offer a prayer. After you pray, tie a knot in one of the strings on the quilt. Each knot represents a prayer lifted to God on behalf of the recipient. If you would like to give a tangible gift of prayer in the form of a quilt, please contact Pastoral Care at 750-4529.

Keep Them in Your Prayers
 Our Christian love and sympathy are extended to Marie Grover on the loss of her husband Barry. His memorial service will be held on Friday, August 7 at 12 p.m. in the Chapel.

This Week's Prayer Concerns:			
Paul Arnstein	Dick Belleveau	Doug & Marie Bennett	Mike Betancourt
Jackie Bishop	Doug Bonebrake	Barbara Brown	Linda & Ken Cummings
James Dyer	Even Eberle	Darrell Fanatico	Chad Foltz
Trudy & Carl Grossouw	Tim & Karen Greene	Belinda Hanson	Bob Hove
Larry Jones	Glen Klaassen	Shannon Lathrop	Karen McClelland
Mike John Rowan	Harriet Oakley	Charlie Parrot	Elizabeth Scott
Galen Spittler	Dave Shivery	Sandy Stockberger	Jan Soukup
Mel Sweat	Sandra Sweeney	Kim Travis	Tommy Traylor
Ralph Wyman			