

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.

Youth Ministry
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.

Upcoming Shelby System Conversion
 We are updating our database system at the church to make your online giving, registering for events, and membership directory viewing easier and more user friendly. More information will be available in the weeks to come.

Your Scripture for this Week

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
August 2	Isaiah 23-27	2 Kings 20-21	Sunday: No Reading	Mark 6
August 3	Isaiah 28-30	2 Chronicles 32-33	Acts 25	Mark 7
August 4	Isaiah 31-35	Nahum 1-3	Acts 26:1–18	Mark 8
August 5	Isaiah 36-41	2 Kings 22-23; 2 Chronicles 34-35	Acts 26:19–27:8	Mark 9
August 6	Isaiah 42-44	Zephaniah	Acts 27:9–38	Mark 10
August 7	Isaiah 45-48	Jeremiah 1-3	Acts 27:39–28:31	Mark 11
August 8	Isaiah 49-53	Jeremiah 4-6	Romans 1:1–15	Mark 12
August 9	Isaiah 54-58	Jeremiah 7-9	Sunday: No Reading	Mark 13

Blessed is anyone who endures temptation. Such a one has stood the test and will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised to those who love him. (James 1:12)

Lord, you know our hearts. You know when and where we have been tangled up in temptation. Forgive us when we have been snagged by our own sin for which we are eternally grateful for the gift of your unfailing grace. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Saturday Christian Education Classes			
3:45 p.m.	Wired Word	Not meeting again until September 12	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	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	Prisons in the United States	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

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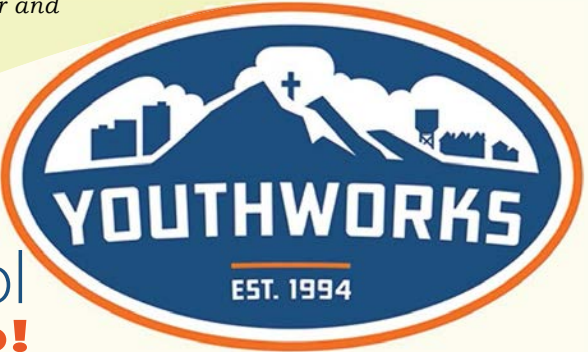
Contemporary Worship Saturday 5:00 p.m.
 Blended Worship Sunday 7:45 • 9:15 • 10:45 a.m.
 Children's Orchard Worship Sunday 10:45 a.m.
 Lake Deaton Worship Sunday 9:30 a.m. (Eisenhower Rec Center)

Worship attendance for last week: 1,660
 (Celebrate Recovery) 51 • (Youth) 16 • (Orchard Worship) 30
 (Saturday Contemporary) 208 • (Sunday) 7:45–194 • 9:15–508 • 10:45–466
 (Lake Deaton) 9:30–187



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



Middle School Mission Trip!

This week, our middle school youth had the opportunity to travel to Daytona Beach to serve alongside other youth members in the surrounding community. These young teens participated at various service sites, including the local soup kitchen, group-led community cleanup, and others. The middle school mission team also participated in YOUTHWORKS ministry programs. They enjoyed exciting praise and worship nights, and even experienced some great fellowship at a community BBQ! This program is the epitome of what helping others is all about, and our middle school youth had the chance to experience it all first-hand.

YOUTHWORKS is a summer mission program dedicated to connecting teenagers and communities to God. Through this amazing organization, young people and adults have the opportunity to worship, serve, and build lifelong friendships, while also growing in their relationship with the Lord.

Along with all of the fun activities, games and songs, our youth became more knowledgeable of Gods' Word and how to apply those teachings to become the hands, feet, and voice of Jesus in the world. We give thanks to the parents that allowed their children to join us on this mission experience, and also to the amazing trip leaders who had just as much fun as the kids!



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

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. Additional information and sign-up brochures are available at the Welcome Centers. 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

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Kathy Hudak Yoa-kum at 750-4529 or khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org.

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
- Invitation (10-week Bible study)
- Network Class
- What on Earth am I Here For? (Church-wide Small Group Study coming in October)

What On Earth Am I Here For?
Bible Study and Sermon Series Coming in October
 New Covenant will begin a new sermon series and church-wide small group study. This six-week study will follow Pastor Harold's sermons each week enhanced by Rick Warren's book, study guide, and videos.

We will provide many opportunities to view the DVD portion of the study and to meet as small groups. Not in a small group? We can help with that too! There will be information at the Fall Bible Study Fair on August 15/16 about *What On Earth Am I Here For?* and small group opportunities.

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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.

Connecting Ministry
Let's Get Connected!
 Feeling disconnected? Want to be involved? Want to know more about our ministries? Please visit the Connecting Ministry 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.

Mark Your Calendar

concerts EVENTS

"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 share their 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

The Kramers Concert at New Covenant
Sunday, October 11 at 6 p.m.
 People are uplifted by this family's genuine passion for the LORD, for the Word of God and for others to know true freedom in Christ. The Kramers are multi-instrumentalists as well as accomplished vocalists.

The Kramers will share their music during our Sunday morning Worship Services at the Summerhill Campus on October 11. 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.



Altar Flowers
Our flowers this week have been provided by: Karla Underwood in memory of Jonathan; Vern & Eva Wellman in memory of their son Steven and son-in-law John Eagenwood; Bob & Carol Utley in celebration of their 50th anniversary; and Dave & Janie Berry in celebration of their 55th anniversary.

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.

Pastoral Care

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.

Hospital Visitation
 If you or a loved one enters the hospital, please inform the Care office at 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.

Learning to Pray Out Loud
Wednesday, August 19 from 10-11:30 a.m. in the Chapel
 Please attend this teaching session with Pastor Marilyn Anell and learn a simple method to help you pray out loud with an individual or in a group. You will leave with a model for prayer and confidence for praying aloud.

Precious Pillows Needs Willing Hands
 Your willing hands are needed to help cut, stuff, and/or sew as we make pillowcases for needy children in our tri-county area — including the children in the Ocala Forest. For more information, please call Pat McLaughlin at (386) 688-7873.

The Gift of Prayer
 The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for Dave Shivery who has kidney cancer; Claudia Liotta with a mastectomy and emphysema; and Lee Ann Bachstadt with a double mastectomy and severe bacterial infection. 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.

This Week's Prayer Concerns:

Jose Benitez	Nancy Buda	Mary Dale	James Dyser	Trudy & Carl Grossouw
Mark Fischer	Jackie's family	Rosemarie Jenson	Carolyn Forest	Lloyd Larry Jones
Glen Klaassen	Angela Leoni	Karen McClelland	Shawn McLoughlin	Debbie Miller
Harriet Oakley	Charlie & Liz Parrot	Elizabeth Scott	Joyce Schien	Kermit Schien
Sydney	Dave Shivery	Jan Soukup	Mel Sweat	Sandra Sweeney
Don Sullivan	David Suttall	Ralph Wyman		

In consideration of allergic reactions of some worshipers, please refrain from wearing strong fragrances to Worship Services.