

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.”

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.



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.



Worship Volunteers Needed
 We are looking for Ushers for the 7:45 a.m. Worship Service. If you are interested, please contact Lou and Jerry Emmert at (352) 350-2090.

Hospitality Ministry Needs Your Help
 If you can smile, welcome a stranger, shake a hand, and are willing to serve before or after your Worship Service — we need you. Please contact Linda Fabing at (352) 446-8371 or fabrinric@aol.com.

Your Scripture for this Week

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
August 23	Jeremiah 38-41	Jeremiah 49-50	Sunday: No Reading	Luke 11
August 24	Jeremiah 42-45	Jeremiah 51-52	Romans 12	Luke 12
August 25	Jeremiah 46-48	Lamentations 1:1-3:36	Romans 13:1-14:13	Luke 13
August 26	Jeremiah 49-50	Lamentations 3:37-5:22	Romans 14:14-15:21	Luke 14
August 27	Jeremiah 51-52	Ezekiel 1-4	Romans 15:22-33	Luke 15
August 28	Lamentations 1-3:36	Ezekiel 5-8	Romans 16	Luke 16
August 29	Lamentations 3:37-5	Ezekiel 9-12	1 Corinthians 1	Luke 17
August 30	Ezekiel 1-4	Ezekiel 13-15	Sunday: No Reading	Luke 18

Those who turn sinners from the error of their ways will save them from death and cover a multitude of sins. (James 5:20)

Lord, we trust and believe all things are possible through you. Help us to be mindful that you always can create ways that lead to new direction, a new beginning and a new life. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

Saturday Christian Education Classes			
3:45 p.m.	Wired Word	Not meeting again until September 12	
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	Cuba	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: 1,874
 (BEACH) 68 • (Celebrate Recovery) 104 • (Youth) 25 • (Orchard Worship) 33
 (Saturday Contemporary) 214 • (Sunday) 7:45-163 • 9:15-545 • 10:45-473
 (Lake Deaton) 9:30-249



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.

NEW Members

New Member Class at New Covenant
 Your “Place to Call Home”

We have updated our membership path to consist of one “gateway” class offered four times a year. In this gateway class, you will hear about our vision of membership at New Covenant. Upon completion of the class, you will be accepted into membership the following weekend at the Worship Service of your choice. As a member of New Covenant, and as part of your membership, you will be invited to attend a variety of classes.

These classes are designed to meet you on your journey, and move you closer in fellowship, ministry, and relationship with Jesus Christ. Regardless of where you have been or where you are now in your journey of faith, we want to move you to a more fulfilling place. Whether you are exploring a relationship with Christ — or growing in relationship with Him — or center your whole life on Him — we want to support you.

September New Member Classes

- **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**
- Membership Weekend at Lake Deaton and Summerhill Campuses**
Saturday & Sunday, September 19 & 20 (You will join at the service of your choice)

November New Member Classes

- **Lake Deaton Campus: Sunday, November 8 from 12-2 p.m. Eisenhower Rec Center**
 - **Summerhill Campus: Monday, November 9 from 6-8 p.m. Worship Center**
- Membership Weekend at Lake Deaton and Summerhill Campuses**
Saturday & Sunday, November 14 & 15 (You will join at the service of your choice)

If you are searching for something to believe in or belong to, you are not alone. Our hearts, minds, and doors are open to you. This is your “place to call home!”

Please visit the Lake Deaton Information Center or the New Member kiosk in the Summerhill Narthex between Worship Services this weekend. You may also visit our website at www.newcovenantumc-fl.org for New Member registration forms. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at 750-4529 or khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org.

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

Bible Studies Ministries

Community Bible Study — Men & Women
Open House
 At the Open House you will meet some of the leaders, review course material and literature, ask questions, and you may register for the new class. For more information, please call Sue Wyman at 430-2201.

- Women's Open House**
- Monday, August 24 from 1-3 p.m. in Classroom 3
- Men's Open House**
- Tuesday, August 25 from 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m. in Classroom 3

What On Earth Am I Here For?
Bible Study and Sermon Series Coming the end of September
 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!

If you have any questions, please visit our website at www.newcovenantumc-fl.org, or contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at 750-4529 or khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org.

Discerning the Voice of God
How to Recognize When God Speaks, a study by Priscilla Shirer
 Sign up at the kiosk in the Narthex this weekend! The cost for materials is \$15. There are two classes/times offered:

- Mondays (September 14-October 26) from 10-11:30 a.m.
- Tuesdays (September 15-October 27) from 6-7:30 p.m.

Other Bible Studies Available for Sign Up

- What On Earth Am I Here For?* — Sermon Series Small Group Study
- Covenant Bible Study
- Community Bible Study
- Disciple Bible Study
- Network
- Invitation

Sign up for a Bible Study!
Visit the kiosk in the Narthex this weekend.

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.

Operation Christmas Shoe Box
 It's not too early to be planning for Operation Christmas Shoe Boxes. Back-to-school sales are the perfect time to buy things for your Christmas Shoe Boxes. We will have the boxes available beginning in October!

Women's Ministry

Women's Ministry Returns!
 Thursday, September 17 at 10 a.m. in the Worship Center
 More details to come!

Women of Faith Farewell Tour, September 18-19
 We are working to get a group together to participate in the final tour in Orlando. If you are interested, please contact Risé Segur at rsegur@gmail.com, **ASAP!**

Outreach Ministry

Wildwood Middle High Mentors
 We have a special need for more mentors for our program. If you are interested in this special program, please contact Anne Foote Collins at afootecollins@newcovenantumc-fl.org or 750-4529.

Florida United Methodist Children's Home
 Next weekend, August 29/30, is the fifth Sunday offering for the Children's Home. You will find information and a special envelope in your bulletin.

Love INC Needs Volunteers!
 Love INC needs additional volunteers to work in the Clearinghouse. Normal shift is once a week from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Special training will be provided. Many other volunteer opportunities are available, with some as little as once or twice a month.
 For more information or to volunteer, please call 245-8774.

Prayers for the Emanuel AME Church
 Several weeks ago, you opened your hearts in prayer to the families at the Emanuel AME Church in South Carolina; a church member hand delivered these special "prayer cards." To read a full report of his experience upon presenting these cards, please visit our website at www.newcovenantumc-fl.org.

You will see a photo of their church on our web banner. Click the link on the web banner to download a pdf.

Jean Kelly "Backpacks 4 Kids"
 The ministry of "Backpacks 4 Kids" was enormously successful this year, reaching the goal of \$50,000, and provided 2,120 backpacks filled with school supplies for children at the Wildwood Schools and The Villages Charter Schools. This was made possible by the generosity of New Covenant UMC, Brownwood Baptist Church, St. Vincent de Paul Catholic, and many wonderful residents and businesses.

Pastoral Care

GriefShare® Returns September 14
Mondays at 10 a.m. in the Chapel
 GriefShare® is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. Workbooks are \$15, and scholarships are available.
 For more information about the GriefShare® program, please contact the Care office at (352) 750-4529, or visit the website at www.griefshare.org.

Hope for Hurting Parents
 Thursday, August 27 at 2 p.m. in Classroom 2
 Hope for Hurting Parents meets the second and fourth Thursdays each month. Join other parents and grandparents struggling with children who have addiction, mental health, incarceration, estrangement, and other traumatic life events.

Helen's Helpers
 We are currently accepting inquiries for those who may need a Helen's Helper to sit with their loved one. Helen's Helpers provides for the primary caregiver to have a break from staying with a loved one with mild to moderate disabilities. Helen's Helpers is designed to give up to a three-hour break for a caregiver every two weeks.
 For more information, please call the Care office at (352) 750-4529.

Christian Counseling
 We all experience challenging times —whether emotional pain, rejection, stress, or loneliness. Mrs. Connie Giguere offers Christ-centered, Bible-based, and Spirit-filled quality counseling for couples and individuals, both adults and children.
 Appointments are Tuesdays through Thursdays, and services are fee-based according to one's ability to pay. Call the Care office at 750-4529 for an appointment.

Keep Them in Your Prayers
 Our Christian love and sympathy are extended to George End, family and friends on the loss of his wife June.

This Week's Prayer Concerns:					
Buddy Acton	Lynn Austin	Richard Belliveau	Theresa Bissett	Rosie Bourke	Larry & Joy Buckner
Phil Braun	Jerry Bryan	Ed Charleston	Sharon Cook	Jerry Diennan	Shirley De Esch
Ruth Dunham	John Dussett	James Dyser	Deb Fournier	Anthony Giacone	Steve Graf
Darwin Gregerson	Don Heber	Erin Hoagland	Don Howell	Lloyd Hartman	Larry Jones
Julia & Megan Morgan	Larry	Bob Lincoln	Glenda Mayhue	Diane McClain	Karen McClelland
Shawn McLoughlin	Carolyn Monaghan	Rev. Joe Moseley	Reese Parente	Charlie Parrot	Lynette Rainford
Tam Reid	Elizabeth Renfroe	Walt Rolland	Tom Siebers	Scot & Ray	Sandy Siegel
Carol Sexton	Dave Shivery	Gary Smith	Roger Soukup	Mel Sweat	John Tracy
Jack Trombley	Vernon Wellman	Colleen Wilkins	Ralph Wyman		