

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."



Lost & Found

"It's that time again..." Our Lost and Found has several items waiting to be taken home. If you have lost something, please check the Resource Room by Sunday, August 28. After that date, the items will be donated or discarded.

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



Volunteers Needed during Weekend Worship Services

Saturday Night Ushers: Greeters, first-time visitors, name tag, and water station volunteers are also needed. You do not need to work every Saturday. For more information, please contact Peggy Dresser at (352) 205-7909 or Lee Howe (352) 750-0390.

Coffee/Cookies Ministry: Volunteers are needed for both Sunday morning shifts. For more information, please contact Howard Bond at hdbond77@gmail.com or 753-0356.

Hospitality Ministry at the 7:45 Worship Service: Volunteers are needed for Greeters, First-time Visitors Kiosk, Welcome Desk, and the Name Tags Kiosk. For more information, please contact Linda Fabing at fabinric@aol.com or (352) 446-8371.



Yoga at the Summerhill Campus

Join us Mondays for Yoga in the Summerhill Christian Life Center. Bring your mat and plenty of water. A \$3 donation for Children's Ministry is appreciated.

- 4-5 p.m. — Intermediate Yoga/ West Coast Pilates
- 5-5:15 p.m. — Healthy Eating Talk
- 5:15-5:45 p.m. — Beginners Yoga

For more information, please email Karen Hughes at twofortydesign@hotmail.com.

Lake Deaton Building Committee Update

Did you know that you can communicate directly with the Building Committee by email? Send your message to: bldgcom@newcovenantumc-fl.org, or Randy Rimington at rtrimington@yahoo.com, or John Groff at jcgroff13@outlook.com.

Following are sub-committees that will be collecting data for these areas:

- Worship & Music: Chris Wile (cbwile@earthlink.net)
- Recreation & Youth: Pastor Harold Hendren (hhendren@newcovenantumc-fl.org)
- Lighting & Sound: Larry Rowold (larowold@gmail.com) and Richard Edwards (redwards1002@comcast.net)
- Furnishings & Décor: Karen Hughes (twofortydesign@hotmail.com)
- Education (Classrooms): Chris Wile
- Administration/Outreach/Care: Meredith Yorkston (mmyorkston@gmail.com)
- Fellowship/Kitchen: Jerry Booth (jerrybooth@aol.com)
- Mechanical (HVAC, Plumbing, etc.): Larry Rowold and Richard Edwards
- Parking/Landscaping: Bob Heit (bisonman41@gmail.com)
- Publicity: Meredith Yorkston and Chris Wile
- Purchasing/Finance: Chris Wile

Your Scripture for this Week

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
August 28	Lamentations 1-3:36	Ezekiel 5-8	Sunday: No Reading	Luke 16
August 29	Lamentations 3:37-5	Ezekiel 9-12	Romans 16	Luke 17
August 30	Ezekiel 1-4	Ezekiel 13-15	1 Corinthians 1	Luke 18
August 31	Ezekiel 5-8	Ezekiel 16-17	1 Corinthians 2:1-3:17	Luke 19
September 1	Ezekiel 9-12	Ezekiel 18-19	1 Corinthians 3:18-4:21	Luke 20
September 2	Ezekiel 13-15	Ezekiel 20-21	1 Corinthians 5:1-6:11	Luke 21
September 3	Ezekiel 16-17	Ezekiel 22-23	1 Corinthians 6:12-7:16	Luke 22
September 4	Ezekiel 18-20	Ezekiel 24-27	Sunday: No Reading	Luke 23

"Therefore, my beloved, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord, because you know that in the Lord your labor is not in vain." (1 Corinthians 15:58)

Jesus, we pray that our love for you will continue to be steadfast and immovable. Let us be confident that the race we run with perseverance is never in vain. Keep us striving, Lord, for the imperishable prize... "Well done, my good and faithful servant." In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Saturday Christian Education Classes

3:45 p.m.	Wired Word	CANCELLED FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST	Classroom 3
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Sunday Christian Education Classes

7:45 a.m.	Early Risers	1 Peter: Living God's Way	Chapel
9:15 a.m.	Childcare	Children ages birth to 5 years old	Nursery
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	How Should We Worship?	Classroom 3
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders Class	Armor of God	Classroom 11
9:15 a.m.	Faith Finders	1 Peter: Living God's Way	Classrooms 6/7
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	Romans: Man's Wrongs to God's Righteousness	Chapel
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Women and Political Leadership	Classroom 14
10:30 a.m.	The Searchers	1 Peter: Living God's Way	Classrooms 6/7
10:45 a.m.	Wesley Class	Armor of God	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

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

Email:
ncumc@newcovenantumc-fl.org

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

Website:
www.newcovenantumc-fl.org

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

Facebook:
 New Covenant United Methodist Church ~
 A Place to Call Home

Worship attendance for last week: 1,805

(PeAr) 23 • (BEACH) 79 • (Celebrate Recovery) 72 • (Youth) 22 • (Orchard Worship) 29
 (Saturday Contemporary) 234 • (Sunday) 7:45-135 • 9:15-417 • 10:45-475
 (Lake Deaton) 8:30-139 • 10:00-180



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. Kristyne Young, Pastor of
 Congregational Life

Rev. Marilyn Anell, Visitation Pastor



Without a doubt, Jesus was the greatest story teller of all time. He took the simple and basic elements in life and wove them into timeless stories. We'd like to encourage you to join us for a brand new sermon series on the stories from Jesus. Amazingly, when he shared them, he had you on his mind. Jesus' parables give us a clear insight into the heart, soul, and mind of Almighty God. His "parables" are stories that speak truth into our very lives. They reveal the relentless love of God, and the meaning and purpose of life. Jesus spoke of good Samaritans, prodigal children, rich fools and unforgiving servants, lost sheep, and sprouts that were choked out by weeds — and with each story, he answered the questions we ask in life. Jesus' parables changed his hearers 2,000 years ago, and they still have the power to change our lives today. After all, when he told them, he had you on his mind.

Join us as we explore the parables of Jesus

September 3/4

- *Making Life Count* (The Parable of the Sower)
 Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

September 10/11

- *The Relentless Love of God* (The Parable of the Lost Sheep)
 Luke 15:1-7

September 17/18

- *The Necessity of Forgiveness* (The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant)
 Matthew 18:23-30

September 24/25

- *The Meaning of Love* (The Parable of the Good Samaritan)
 Luke 10:25-37

October 1/2

- *Exercises in Missing the Point* (The Parable of the Rich Fool)
 Luke 12:13-21





"Great Day" Concert
Sunday, August 28 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center
 Join us for a wonderful family concert with a wide range of music, from old quartet standards, to fresh new arrangements from some of gospel music's most prolific writers.

The concert is free and open to the public. A love offering will be accepted.

Community Bible Study (CBS) Open House
Monday, August 29 from 1–3 p.m. — Summerhill Classroom 3
 Women's CBS will hold an Open House where you can meet some of the leaders, review course material and literature, and ask questions — as well as register for the 2016-17 class.

This CBS class is open to all women who are interested in learning more about the Bible and experience the joy of fellowship regardless of their age, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, education, church membership, or level of Bible knowledge. Our 2016-17 class will feature a 30-week course titled, *The Red Sea to the Jordan River*. Classes begin on Monday, September 12, and meet each Monday from 3–5 p.m. at the Summerhill Campus.

Women's Ministry Event
Thursday, September 15 at 10 a.m. — Summerhill Worship Center
 Join us for our first event for the 2016/2017 season, "Back in the Classroom with our Master Teacher." Bring something to show and tell relating to you, your family, a vacation, etc. Bring a smile and a friend! As always, a lunch will follow. If you have a food concern, please let Risé know.

Tickets will available on our website at www.newcovenantumc-fl.org beginning September 1, and at the Ticket Kiosk in the Summerhill West Narthex between Worship Services on September 3/4 and 10/11. Ticket sales conclude on Monday, September 12 at noon.
 • Tickets are: \$5 (cash or check) \$6.24 (credit card)

Azalea Festival
 The Early Risers, Faith Finders, and The Searchers Sunday Classes are sponsoring a bus trip to Norfolk, VA to attend the Azalea Festival and International Military Tattoo from April 26–May 1, 2017. This trip is open to everyone.

To register for the trip, visit the kiosk in the Narthex this weekend. For more information about the trip, please contact Dale and Virginia Newland at dnewland101@comcast.net or (352) 751-4283.

Bishop's Town Hall Meetings
Tuesday, September 20 at 6 p.m. — Trinity UMC in Gainesville
 Bishop Carter will hold a "Town Hall" meeting at Trinity UMC to speak about the future of the United Methodist Church as our denomination faces making some challenging decisions. He will call us to unity, answering questions and highlight some important future initiatives that address our Florida Conference churches partnering with schools.

If you are interested in what is happening in our Florida Annual Conference and our denomination you are welcome to attend. The evening gathering concludes with light appetizers. To register, please go to <https://florida-reg.brapp.com/townhall>.



The Next New Member Class
 Did you know there are different types of church memberships? You may choose to retain your membership with another United Methodist Church (Affiliate membership), a church of another denomination (Associate membership), or Full membership.

- 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)

- January New Member Classes:**
- **Lake Deaton Campus:** Sunday, January 22 from 11:15 a.m.–1:15 p.m. (lunch provided)
 - **Summerhill Campus:** Monday, January 23 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.

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 connected — to a caring community, to service, or to membership.

Check Out Our New Location!
 We are now located next to the large double doors in the East Narthex (by the cookies!)

De Colores!
Thursday, September 8 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Chapel
 Anyone who has attended an Emmaus Walk, Cursillo, Tres Dias, or other recognized "Fourth Day" experience is invited to the Tri-County Emmaus Gathering. Come and enjoy a time of fellowship, singing, sharing, and communion. Light refreshments will be served.

For more information, please contact Nancy Casto at (352) 633-3288 or nancasto@gmail.com.

Leadership Academy Tier I
Tuesday, September 20 from 9:30–11 a.m. — Summerhill Chapel
 Do you want to become more involved serving in the church, but don't know where to start? Leadership Academy will present a Tier I Open Session.

Anyone who is in a leadership position or interested in joining a team is urged to attend. The meeting will include information on the process of selecting New Covenant Leaders and the roles within our committees/teams.

For those who have already completed Tier I, Tier II will be held on Tuesday, October 25 from 9 a.m.–12 p.m. For more information and/or to confirm your participation, please contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org or (352) 750-4529.

Small Groups - Small Groups - Small Groups
 If you are interested in becoming part of a small group or would like to start a small group, please contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org or (352) 750-4529.



Grief Share
Monday, September 12 from 10 a.m.–12 p.m. — Summerhill Chapel
 If you think that learning to live through grief and receiving support from others who understand would be of help, please plan to attend our fall session. There is a \$15 registration fee for cost of materials.

To register, please contact Congregational Care Ministries at (352) 750-4529.

Prayer Service for Peace
Tuesday, September 20 at 6:30 p.m. — Summerhill Campus
 Led by clergy from each religious tradition, people of faith from Christian, Muslim, Jewish, and Baha'i communities will join their voices in prayer for peace and reconciliation in our troubled world. All are welcome. Please call David O'Brian at (352) 753-0989 with any questions.

Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group
 New Covenant provides a weekly opportunity for caregivers of Alzheimer's patients or other forms of dementia to meet for education, encouragement, and spiritual support. Caregiver participants may attend a support group each Thursday from 10-11:30 a.m.

Respite care for loved ones is provided by trained volunteers in a group setting (prior notice is requested). For more information, please contact Congregational Care Ministries at (352) 750-4529.

Praying Together
Wednesdays at 3:45 p.m. in Classroom 14
 Each week there is a faithful gathering of people to pray over the prayer cards and concerns of our congregation. They also pray for our church and our world.

If you have a calling to intercede in prayer for others, this group welcomes you!
"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God." —Philippians 4:6

The Gift of Prayer
 The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for MaryAnn McGovern who has Lupus and a flesh-eating disease; and for Sandra Winchester who suffers from internal bleeding and cannot have surgery. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, and healing.

Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...
 Dee Haney, family and friends on the loss of her husband Al; and Sue Machol, family and friends on the loss of her husband Bruce.

This Week's Prayer Concerns
 Ron Abraham, Holly Cowles, Marsha Bernard, Jim Burns, Rev. Gary Cantrell, Caleb Jones, Jillian Liff, Rachel Simmons, Terry Henry, Tony M., Francis McGrath, Robert McKenna, Kevin O'Brien, Pat Parrott, Ron & JoAnn Pentolac, Wood Family