



**Helping Hands 10-Year Anniversary Banquet**  
 Sunday, October 16 at 5 p.m. — Worship Center  
 All past and present Helping Hands volunteers (spouse/guest) are invited to this celebration banquet.

Please RSVP your name and your guest's name to Jill Beck at [jbeck@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:jbeck@newcovenantumc-fl.org). Reservations are required for our dinner headcount.



**Operation Christmas Shoe Box**  
 Shoe boxes are now available in the Narthex between Worship Services for a donation of \$1. When you pick-up your shoe box, it will contain complete instructions on how to fill it and when/where to return it. You will be asked to include \$7 to cover the cost of shipping.

Your filled shoe boxes may be dropped off any weekend between Worship Services throughout October. All boxes must be returned by October 30.



**Christmas Wish Tree Volunteers Needed**  
 Angels, Co-Chairs, Tag Sign-ups, and for Christmas Blessings  
 The Angels stand in front of the tree to make sure the people record their tags. Co-Chairs are there to answer questions and make sure things run smoothly. Christmas Blessings is for parents and children to pick up and wrap their family gifts.

Please sign up at the kiosk in the East Narthex between Worship Services in October.



**Early Response Team (ERT) Training**  
 We will conduct certification classes for ERT training on Friday and Saturday, October 28/29 at Camp Warren Willis in Fruitland Park. We do not require participants to be a member of our church. All fees will be paid by the church from ERT funds.

In addition, we will conduct a re-certification class for present members who have a badge that has expired or will expire this year. The re-certification will be held at Camp Warren Willis on Saturday, October 29 from 9–11 a.m.

To register for training, please go to [www.flumc.org/Disaster Recovery](http://www.flumc.org/Disaster_Recovery). For more information, please call Jim Watson at (352) 205-8553.



**Fresh Expressions**  
 Fresh Expressions is a "fresh" way of doing church for our changing culture, by taking "the church" to different places. Now we are trying to bring the church to nursing homes, and independent living facilities.

There are about 27 nursing homes and 37 senior living communities in The Villages area. We are looking for some volunteers to help with this exciting opportunity. For more information, please contact Christine Webb or Elaine McGowan at (352) 750-4529.

The North Central District will hold its Vision Day on November 5 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at NCUMC. To register, go to [www.freshexpressionsus.org/event/vision-day-villages-fl](http://www.freshexpressionsus.org/event/vision-day-villages-fl).



**Altar Flowers**  
 Today's flowers are provided by Joan & John Beam in celebration of their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

Your Scripture for this Week				
	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
October 2	Matthew 1-4	Matthew 1; Luke 2:1-38	Sunday: No Reading	Matthew 5
October 3	Matthew 5-6	Matthew 2; Luke 2:39-52	Galatians 3:19-4:20	Matthew 6
October 4	Matthew 7-8	Matthew 3; Mark 1; Luke 3	Galatians 4:21-5:15	Matthew 7
October 5	Matthew 9-10	Matthew 4; Luke 4-5; John 1:15-51	Galatians 5:16-6:18	Matthew 8
October 6	Matthew 11-12	John 2-4	Ephesians 1	Matthew 9
October 7	Matthew 13-14	Mark 2	Ephesians 2	Matthew 10
October 8	Matthew 15-17	John 5	Ephesians 3	Matthew 11
October 9	Matthew 18-19	Matthew 12:1-21; Mark 3; Luke 6	Sunday: No Reading	Matthew 12

*The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that land. (Matthew 13:44)*

*Lord, you are the treasure we seek. You gave us your all in order that we can have the eternal treasure of heaven. Thank you for the gift of grace. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.*

**Annual Charge Conference**  
 Sunday, October 23 at 3 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center

**Lake Deaton Building Project Town Hall Meetings**  
 Tuesday, October 11 at 9 a.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center  
 Following Wonderful Wednesday Dinner  
 October 12 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center

Saturday Christian Education Classes			
3:45 p.m.	Wired Word	Christian group discussion based on current topics	Classroom 2
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	A Study on the Book of James	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	Christian group discussion based on current topics	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

**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](mailto:ncumc@newcovenantumc-fl.org)

**Children's Orchard Worship**  
 Sunday 10:45 a.m. (now in Classroom 1)  
 Website: [www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://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: 2,089**  
 (BEACH) 68 • (Roots) 18 • (Orchard Worship) 17 • (Youth) 38 • (Bus Trip) 53  
 (Celebrate Recovery) 91 • (Saturday Contemporary) 213  
 (Sunday Summerhill) 7:45-209 • 9:15-621 • 10:45-457  
 (Sunday Lake Deaton) 8:30-132 • 10:00-172



*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



**Fall Ball is here again! Join us for candy, costumes, fun, and an evening of sharing the love of Jesus with the greater community!**

This year our annual Fall Ball/Trunk or Treat event will be held at our Lake Deaton Campus property on CR 44a. We will alternate the location of the event each year. This is a fantastic opportunity for our two campuses to connect as one church. If you have participated in this event in the past, we hope to see you again this year! If you have not participated, we encourage you to do so! There are many ways for you to serve or get involved.

- **Bring lots of candy!** Last year we had around 400 kids. We will have some extra candy for distribution in case you run low, but bring as much as possible. We recommend only giving one piece to each child. Candy donations are greatly appreciated. You may drop off candy in the Administration Office or in Brianna Jimenez' office. Please avoid hard candy such as butterscotch or mints, since they are choking hazards for our little ones.
- **Trunk or Treat will run from 4:30-6:30 p.m.** Lake Deaton is golf cart accessible, but a 'traditional' trunk will do just fine if you bring your car. All golf carts and cars must be parked in the designated Trunk or Treat area by 4 p.m., but you may arrive as early as 3:30 to set up. Please plan on staying for the entire event. We want the children who come at 5:45 to have the same experience as those who arrived at 4:30.
- Decorating of golf carts and trunks is encouraged, but not mandatory.
- If you wear a costume, please avoid scary themes.
- Bring folding chairs for your comfort.

**This event depends on you!**

We need you, your trunk, and your generous hospitality to make this event a success! Volunteers are needed to help run the different activities. If you would like to donate your time, please contact Brianna Jimenez at (352) 750-4529 or [bjimenez@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:bjimenez@newcovenantumc-fl.org).



**Our Purpose: To come to know the love of Christ and to make His love known to others for the transformation of the world**



### Women's Ministry Monthly Gathering

Thursday, October 20 from 10 a.m.–12 p.m. — Worship Center

This month we will be talking about three wonderful women. Join us for the fun as we celebrate the love of *Mary, Martha, and Marilyn*.

A luncheon will follow our program for \$6 (cash or check) or \$7.29 (credit card). Tickets for "lunch only" are available on our website at [www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://www.newcovenantumc-fl.org) and at the Ticket Kiosk in the West Narthex between Worship Services. Ticket sales conclude on Monday, October 17 at noon.

MENU: Pasta Fresco with Turkey Sausage, Antipasto Side Salad, Tiramisu, and Beverages. Gluten free lunch also available.



### Steve Green in Concert

Thursday, October 20 at 7 p.m. — Christian Life Center

More than a concert, this will be a worship-filled evening of music and praise. **Group discount tickets for 10 or more persons** are available to any small group (Bible study, SS class, golf team, neighborhood friends, etc.). Don't miss this opportunity to hear an award-winning artist in concert with the NCUMC Choir and the PeAr Kids.

Tickets are available between Worship Services at the Ticket Kiosk in the West Narthex and on our website at [www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://www.newcovenantumc-fl.org).

Artist Circle \$25; General Admission \$20, and Groups of 10 or more \$15 (credit fees will be added to the ticket price).



### Cornerstone Chorale and Brass

Thursday, October 27 at 7 p.m. — Christian Life Center

Professional chorale and brass quintet are joined by guest narrator Angie Wiswesser in a new production titled, "They Shall Mount Up With Wings."

A Love Offering will be accepted with proceeds benefiting the Lake Deaton Pre-Build Campaign.

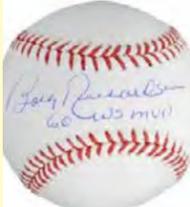


### MOAMI Homecoming

November 3 from 10 a.m.–12:30 p.m. — Worship Center

Discover a spiritually-enriching program for all women! For more information, please visit the kiosk in the East Narthex.

Tickets are \$15 cash or check (\$16.74 credit card) and are available between Worship Services at the Ticket Kiosk in the West Narthex, and on our website at [www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://www.newcovenantumc-fl.org).



### You Ain't Seen Nothing Yet

Monday, November 7 from 1–4 p.m. — Christian Life Center

A baseball-themed afternoon of motivational speakers and music. Join NY Yankees legend Bobby Richardson, New Covenant All Stars Harold Ray and Gary Cantrell, and The Villages favorite, Dave Boyer, for this inspirational event.

For information, please visit the kiosk in the East Narthex. Tickets are \$10 (\$11.49 credit card) and are available between Worship Services at the Ticket Kiosk in the West Narthex, at Men's Prayer Breakfast, and on our website at [www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://www.newcovenantumc-fl.org).

**Vacation Bible School is now the beginning of Summer!**

Join us for a week of VBS fun from June 5–9!



### Wonderful Wednesday Dinner & Ticket Info

Wednesday, October 5 at 4:30 p.m. — Worship Center

Please join us for dinner followed by a program from our Youth Ministry about their summer mission trip.

- **Tickets:** Wonderful Wednesday meals this year are \$8 cash or check (\$9.39 credit card) per person, with special pricing for children. **You must purchase a ticket** by noon on the Monday before each dinner that you choose to attend. Tickets are available between Worship Services at the Ticket Kiosk in the West Narthex, at each Wonderful Wednesday dinner (for the following week), and on our website anytime before noon on Monday for that week.
- **Menu:** New England Clam Chowder, Fresh Spinach Salad with Cranberries and Almonds, Roast Turkey Breast on Cornbread Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Key Largo Veggies, and Cheesecake with Strawberry Topping.



### Member Path Classes — Fall 2016

Please visit the kiosk in the East Narthex to sign up for any of the classes listed below. For more information, please contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at [khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org) or (352) 750-4529.

#### John Wesley & Our Methodist Heritage: Pastor Harold Hendren

Tuesdays, October 4 & 11 from 10–11 a.m. in the Chapel

There is no cost for materials for this class.

#### What Happened between the Old and New Testaments: Don Cremer

• Tuesdays, October 4–November 1 from 9:30–11 a.m. in Classroom 1

There is no cost for materials for this class.

#### The Apostle's Creed for Today: Bud Yoakum

• Tuesdays, October 4–November 8 from 1–2:30 p.m. in the Chapel

The book will be provided through the class for a cost of \$10.

#### Network: Gary Cantrell

• Thursdays, October 6–November 17 from 1–2:30 p.m. in Classroom 1

The Network book is required for this class at a cost of \$10 per participant.



### Volunteers Needed

**Helping Hands:** We need volunteers to assist in providing lunch for those who will be working on the upcoming home. Please contact Anna Whipple at (951) 440 9531 or [awhipple39.aw@gmail.com](mailto:awhipple39.aw@gmail.com).

**Flower Ministry:** We need volunteers to break down the weekend Altar flowers and take them to our shut-ins. Please contact the Care office at (352) 750-4529.

**Memorial Services:** We need ushers to serve at memorial services. Please contact Ann McBain at (985) 373-5263 or [amcbain@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:amcbain@newcovenantumc-fl.org).

**Orchard Worship:** We need volunteers with a knack for decorating who are interested in helping to decorate a Classroom for the children's Sunday Worship program. Please contact Brianna Jimenez at (352) 750-4529.

**Saturday Worship Services:** We need Ushers and Greeters, plus Water Station, First-time Visitor, and Name Tag volunteers. Please contact Peggy Dresser at (352) 205-7909 or Lee Howe (352) 750-0390.

**Sunday Worship Services:** We need Communion Servers for all services, especially the 10:45. Please contact Lesan Van Syckle at (352) 751-7447.



### PrimeTime

Thursday, October 13 from 10 a.m.–12:30 p.m. — Worship Center

Prime Time wants to "Ring those Bells" with members of our Hand Bell Choir. We will enjoy outstanding music, worship, and inspirational stories. Bring a friend!

Program is followed by lunch for \$5 payable at the door. To make a reservation, call the office at (352) 750-4529 by Monday, October 10 and indicate if you need transportation.



### Prayer Ministry

We are beginning some new initiatives in our Prayer Ministry. One is establishing a group of people who will pray over our campuses before the weekend Worship Services. This involves silent prayer and meditation to pray in our classrooms, worship areas, entryways, etc. Christine Webb is leading this effort.

For more information, please contact Christine at (352) 750-4529 or [cwebb@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:cwebb@newcovenantumc-fl.org).



### Congregational Health

Volunteers are needed to be a part of the team. Responsibilities include working with different events, such as blood drives, Winter Health series, and developing new ideas to promote health and wellness in our community.

If you would like to join our team, please contact Care Ministries at (352) 750-4529.



### Helen's Helpers

To support our growing ministry, we need more volunteers. Helen's Helpers is a respite care ministry for those caregivers who may have a homebound loved one and need a little break to go to appointments, shopping, a round of golf, etc. We are so happy with the success of this ministry, and we need more volunteers to engage in ministry.

We especially need men, but have needs for women also! We will provide training. Contact the Care office to find out more.



### The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for: Melissa Smart who has Crohn's Disease; Chris Parkent who has MS; Yoby Whipp who had knee surgery; Carmie Hayes who has Amyloidosis; Dave Love who had brain surgery; and Elaine Gorby who needs extended medical treatment. 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.

#### This Week's Prayer Concerns

Brenda, Donald Gilbert, Gerry Huckabee, Mary Lou Johns, Sheila Kane and family & friends, Kim, Christin McGowan, John, Tom & Charlie Moore, Mike Myslinski, Chris Parkent, Joyclyn Rose, Jacee Beth Thomas, Sandy Trammell, Dan & Amanda Trout, Tom Twitmyer, Sylvia Wagner, Sylvia Wellington, Patti Wilcox, Robin Zamadics