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."





Garden State Guys

Thursday, January 7 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center
A Frankie Valli tribute group presents timeless music enjoyable for all ages. Net proceeds benefit the Jean Kelly Backpacks for Kids Program.

Tickets are available at The Villages Box Office. Our website has a link to The Villages Box Office on our "Concerts and Special Events" page. Click the "Event Tickets" tab at the top of our website (www.newcovenantumc-fl.org).



Anthony and Beard Concert

Sunday, January 17 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center Enjoy an evening of a wide variety of music with Trumpeter Ryan Anthony, former member of the Canadian Brass, and Organist Gary Beard. Both artists have performed together on numerous occasions and recorded on the Pro-Organo label.

Tickets are available on our website (<u>www.newcovenantumc-fl.org</u>), or at the ticket kiosk in the Summerhill West Narthex. Net proceeds benefit New Covenant Early Response Team. Artist Circle: \$20 • General: \$15.



The Isaacs

Thursday, January 21 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center
A multi-award winning family with a unique style that blends family harmony with contemporary acoustic instrumentation appealing to a variety of audiences. They perform regularly at The Grand Ole Opry and are active members of the Gaither Homecoming Concert Series.

Tickets are available on our website (www.newcovenantumc-fl.org), or at the ticket kiosk in the Summerhill West Narthex. Net proceeds benefit New Covenant Worship Ministry. Artist Circle: \$20 • General: \$15. (Please Note Time Change)



The Villages Wind Ensemble

Sunday, January 24 at 3 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center

"Music for a Sunday Afternoon." Enjoy memorable music — from movies and musicals to concert band originals and marches. Under the direction of Jill Van Syckle, this small concert band will provide a delightful afternoon of music.

Tickets are available on our website (<u>www.newcovenantumc-fl.org</u>), or at the ticket kiosk in the Summerhill West Narthex. Net proceeds benefit New Covenant Music Ministry. General Admission: \$15.



Today's Altar Flowers are Provided by...

Orinda & Rick Christoph and Linda & Vince Musgrove in celebration of Tom & Bunny Christoph's 65th anniversary; and Ron & Penny Drozd in celebration of their 25th anniversary.

Your Scripture for this Week					
	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels	
December 27	Revelations 4-8	2/3 John	Sunday: No Reading	Acts 2	
December 28	Revelations 9-12	Revelations 1-5	Revelations 18:9–19:10	Acts 3	
December 29	Revelations 13-16	Revelations 6-11	Revelations 19:11-20:15	Acts 4	
December 30	Revelations 17-19	Revelations 12-18	Revelations 21	Acts 5	
December 31	Revelations 20-22	Revelations 19-22	Revelations 22	Acts 6	
January 1	Genesis 1-3	Genesis 1-3	Matthew 1	Matthew 1	
January 2	Genesis 4-7	Genesis 4-7	Matthew 2	Matthew 2	
January 3	Genesis 8-11	Genesis 8-11	Sunday: No Reading	Matthew 3	

We give thanks to God always for all of you, making mention of you in our prayers; constantly bearing in mind your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the presence of our God and Father. (I Thessalonians 1:2-3)

God of us all, bless us as we approach a new year. Remind us of our blessings of 2015 and prepare us for challenges ahead. May our lives and light of our hearts shine brighter than in any other year. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Saturday Christian Education Classes						
3:45 p.m.	Wired Word	No Classes until January 9, 2016 — Happy Holidays	Classroom 3			
	Sunday Christian Education Classes					
7:45 a.m.	Early Risers	No Classes until January 3, 2016 — Happy Holidays	Chapel			
9 a.m.	Disciple II	Into the Word Into the World	Classroom 3			
9 a.m.	Childcare	Children ages birth to 5 years old	Nursery			
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	No Classes until January 3, 2016 — Happy Holidays	Classroom 2			
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders Class	No Classes until January 3, 2016 — Happy Holidays	Classroom 11			
9:15 a.m.	Faith Finders	No Classes until January 3, 2016 — Happy Holidays	Classrooms 6/7			
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	No Classes until January 3, 2016 — Happy Holidays	Chapel			
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	2015: Looking Back/Looking Forward	Classroom 14			
10:30 a.m.	The Searchers	No Classes until January 3, 2016 — Happy Holidays	Classrooms 6/7			
10:45 a.m.	Wesley Class	No Classes until January 3, 2016 — Happy Holidays	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 (Eisenhower Rec Center)
Sunday 8:30 • 10:00 a.m.

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Worship attendance for last week: 2,395
(BEACH) 72 • (Celebrate Recovery) 73 • (Youth) 53 • (Orchard Worship) 24
(Saturday Contemporary) 237 • (Sunday) 7:45–248 • 9:15–747 • 10:45–628
(Lake Deaton) 9:15–200 • 10:45–113

(Christmas at New Covenant) 2,500

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Rev. Harold Hendren, Senior Pastor Rev. Jim Divine, Lake Deaton Pastor Rev. Marilyn Anell, Care Pastor

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HOW WILL

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intergenerational congregation growing in our relationship with one another and with Jesus Christ to be His hands, feet, and voice in the world.

How will you **measure** your life?

the final class of each semester, Harvard Business School professor Clayton Christenson asks his students how they will apply the theories of business and organizations to their own lives to ensure that

- They are happy and successful in their careers
- Their relationships are an enduring source of happiness
- They live lives of integrity

Those discussions led to his best-selling book, *How Will You Measure Your Life?* In a new sermon series beginning next weekend, January 2/3, we will explore this same question. Drawing from scriptural teaching, we'll look at how what we choose and value has far greater impact on our lives than what we achieve and acquire.

Our messages will embrace How will you measure your life...

- "By who and how you love"
- "By how and what you give"
- "By who and how you serve"

As we begin a new year, this series sets the tone and charts a course for all of us. You won't want to miss a single message!





Holy Land Trip 2016

Tuesday, January 19 at 10 a.m. — Summerhill Chapel

If you would like to go to the Holy Land next year, please join Pastor Harold for this informational meeting. For more details about the trip, pick up a brochure at the Welcome Center in the Summerhill Narthex.



Next New Member Classes

Our membership path consists of one "gateway" class offered four times a year. In this gateway class, you will hear about our vision of membership at New Covenant. After completing this class, you may join New Covenant and then choose enrichment classes throughout the year.

Lake Deaton Campus: Sunday, January 24 from 11a.m.–1 p.m. *Summerhill Campus*: Monday, January 25 from 6–8 p.m.

Please pick up a New Member registration at the Welcome Center in either Summerhill Narthexes, or contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org or 750-4529.



Dinner and Fellowship

NO Wednesday Dinners December 23–January 6, 2016

Word on Wednesday
WOW Dinners are taking a break for the Christmas holiday. Please join us for our first WOW Dinner in 2016 on January 13.

Our wonderful dinner will be followed by an evening with Dr. Brian Russell, author of *Invitation Bible Study* and Dean, School of Urban Ministries and Professor of Biblical Studies at Asbury Theological Seminary.



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Parents' Morning Out

"Little Cuties" Parents' Morning Out is a new ministry to provide support to stay-at-home parents. The mission of our program is to provide a nurturing, Christian environment for children crawling through age four to learn and play while giving parents a much-needed break.

Childcare will be available Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m.–12 p.m. beginning January 12. Cost is \$125 per month. If you would like to enroll a child or volunteer as a part of this program, please contact Jessica Istre at 750-4529 or jistre@newcovenantumc-fl.org.



Performing Arts Program

PEAR Performing Arts after-school program begins Tuesday, January 12 and will run weekly for the remainder of the school year. This program is for elementary-aged children with an interest in the performing arts, specifically acting and singing; it will conclude with a production in May.

Registration is currently open. Cost is \$30 per month. If you are interested in registering a child or using your talent as a volunteer for this program, please contact Jessica Istre at 750-4529 or jistre@newcovenantumc-fl.org.





MOAMI Class of 2016

Thursday, January 7 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursdays, January 14–March 10 from 1-3 p.m.

This is a faith-based program open to all women regardless of religious denomination or affiliation. You will make new Christian friends and learn more about moving through the changes and transitions of life.

For more information, please contact:

Summerhill Campus

- Kathy Herrick: taklherrick@gmail.com or (616) 836-0675
- Roberta Hays: <u>rkhays@comcast.net</u> or (410) 836-5215 or (443) 417-5160

Lake Deaton Campus (St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Wildwood)

- Karen Kelroy: fkkelroy@gmail.com or (262) 497-8697
- Karen Caliendo: karenkcal@comcast.net or (352) 633-2239 or (860) 916-5894



January Women's Gathering

Thursday, January 21, 10 a.m.–1 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center "Water, Women, and the Spirit." Come and let the Holy Spirit move you as we sense the power of "living water." A special ceremony will renew you and inspire you.

A lunch will follow for a suggested donation of \$5. Please RSVP by Friday, January 15 to Risë Segur at regur@gmail.com or 350-6370.



Women's Retreat with Betsy Kniffin

Thursday, February 18, 10 a.m.–3 p.m. — Summerhill Worship Center Betsy Kniffin, author, workshop leader, and vocalist, will bring you encouragement through humor, music, and the Good News of Jesus.

Tickets are available on our website (www.newcovenantumc-fl.org), or at the ticket kiosk in the Summerhill West Narthex. Net proceeds benefit New Covenant Women's Ministry. A lunch prepared by our own Chef John Kellar is included for \$15.



Connecting our Covenant Community (C3 Ministry)

How would you like to feel "connected" and in touch? Perhaps you were away for a while and nobody contacted you? Were you hospitalized and nobody called? Were you hurting and the phone didn't ring? We have an answer! This ministry will provide ongoing communication and connection among congregates.

All who want to be included, regardless of membership status and geographic location, will be given an opportunity to be connected with each other and make their needs known. We want to be intentional about caring for each other. Volunteers in this ministry will communicate with our congregates on a monthly basis. Those who wish to participate may volunteer to make phone calls and/or receive a phone call each month. Our C3 Ministry will be a blessing to each of you! *Get Connected!!!* Stop at the CONNECTIONAL MINISTRIES kiosk in the East Narthex to find out more!



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2016 Winter Health Education Series					
January 11	5–6 pm	Nutrition: What Foods Are Best For Us?	Jeff Wittman		
	6:15-7:15 pm	Living Well Until the End	Judy Flickinger, RN		
January 25	5–6 pm	Namaste: Yoga For Health	Karen Lambert Hughes		
	6:15-7:15 pm	When and How Do We Choose a Health Facility	Jackie Damron		
February 1	5–6 pm	Alzheimer's Update	Rochelle Holcombe		
	6:15-7:15 pm	What You Always Wanted to Know about New Covenant Doing a Funeral but Never Asked	Pastor Marilyn Anell		
February 8	5–6 pm	New Technology to Help Those with Hearing Loss	Danielle Rosier & David Ketch		
	6:15-7:00 pm	Wills and Trusts	JoAnn Waterfield, Esq.		
February 15	5–6 pm	Healthy Lifestyles	Karen Lambert Hughes		
	6:15–7:15 pm	Cremation and Funeral Planning	Lisa High, Heirs Baxley		

There is NO registration fee. All programs are held in the Summerhill Chapel. Healthy snacks are served between sessions. Participants may choose to attend one or both lectures on any evening.



PrimeTime

Thursday, Jan. 14 from 10–11:30 a.m. — Summerhill Worship Center Music with Pat Smith and Brian Maderos.

Program: 10–11:30 a.m.
 Lunch: 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Program is followed by lunch for \$5 payable at the door. To make a reservation, call the office at 750-4529 by Monday, January 11 and indicate if you need transportation.



Rainbows Grief Counseling for Children

RAIN BOWS Thursdays, January 7-March 31 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Rainbows International is a nonprofit organization that helps children and teens who have been through life-altering experiences such as a death in the family, death of close friend, divorce, or a traumatic move. Through peer support and adult nurturing, children are able to find personal coping tools and express their feelings of grief in positive ways.

We need more facilitators. If you have a love for children and would be interested in being a facilitator, please contact Pat Phillips at 750-2091 or beeladypat@aol.com.



The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilt on the altar rail is for Carl Groussouw who is living in a long-term care facility; and for Barbara Gray who has breast cancer. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

Keep Them in Your Prayers

Our Christian love and sympathy are extended to Anita Dyser and family on the loss of her husband James (his service was December 23); and to Janet Barton on the loss of her sister-in-law Frederica Kirby.

This Week's Prayer Concerns:							
Betty Bennett	Pat Beddia	Neneh Calderon	James Dickerson	Darrell	Pricilla Giacone		
Anthony Giacone	Jeff Hershberger	John Kaiser	Barb K	Kazuko Sano	Pat Kazawski		
Jan McCoy	Laura, Kaitlyn and Krissy Otte		Nora Pace	Guy Ragnetti	Barb Stettler		
Sherry Tobin	Alexandria Webb						