

TidBits



Altar Flowers

The Altar flowers have been provided by Evelyn Davidson in memory of her son David Davidson.



Table Talk Dinner Groups

Openings still available for January–March

Table Talk is a fun way to meet new people in a small group setting. Six people gather for dinner for three months. It can be in the home, at a restaurant, or a combination.

If you are interested in joining this session, please complete a form located at the Welcome Center in the East Narthex. For more information, please email Patty Halstead at patty.charlie@comcast.net.



Southern Caribbean Cruise

February 15-25, 2019

The Early Risers Sunday School class is sponsoring a 10-day cruise to the Southern Caribbean. To register, please visit the kiosk in the East Narthex this weekend.

For more information, please contact Dale Newland at dnewland101@comcast.net or (352) 751-4283.



Men's Chorus Rehearsals

Tuesdays, February 6, 13, and 20 at 9 a.m. — Classrooms 8/9

If you enjoy singing with other men, please join the New Covenant Men's Chorus. The Men's Chorus will lead worship on Sunday, February 25 for the 9:15 and 10:45 a.m. services.

If you have any questions, please contact Bonnie Fisher at bonniefisher53@gmail.com or (614) 565-0953.



ABBA Art

Tuesdays from 1–4 p.m. — Classrooms 1 & 2

Our current focus is the use of watercolors, including watercolor pencils. All artists are welcome regardless of level of experience.

New Addition — Poetry Corner

Beginning Tuesday, February 6 at 1 p.m. — Classroom 1

ABBA Art is expanding to welcome all those who love to write poetry. Come and share your heart through poetry, and let your words be heard. For more information on the Poetry Corner, please contact Paula DeLuca at (352) 445-5028.



Pastors' Sermons are on Our Website

Just a Reminder: If you are unable to attend weekend Worship Services, you may still hear our pastor's weekly message on our website!

Log on to www.newcovenantumc-fl.org, hover over the "Worship" button, click on "Worship Services," and select the date you wish to watch.

REMINDER

In order to welcome any visitors to our Worship Services, please remember to park in the East Parking Lot to allow our visitors to park in the West Parking Lot. Thank you.

Your Scripture for this Week

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
January 21	Exodus 10-12	Genesis 27-29	Sunday: No Reading	Matthew 21
January 22	Exodus 13-15	Genesis 30-31	Matthew 13:1–23	Matthew 22
January 23	Exodus 16-18	Genesis 32-34	Matthew 13:51–14:21	Matthew 23
January 24	Exodus 19-21	Genesis 35-37	Matthew 14:22–36	Matthew 24
January 25	Exodus 22-24	Genesis 38-40	Matthew 15	Matthew 25
January 26	Exodus 25-27	Genesis 41-42	Matthew 16	Matthew 26
January 27	Exodus 28-29	Genesis 43-45	Matthew 17:1–21	Matthew 27
January 28	Exodus 30-32	Genesis 46-47	Sunday: No Reading	Matthew 28

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. (Philippians 4:4-8)

O, Jesus, I surrender myself to you; take care of everything. In your Holy Name, I pray. Amen.

REMINDER: Please take your weekly bulletin home as you leave today. Use it as a prayer guide for the scheduled activities and the ministries of our church.

Sunday Christian Education Classes

7:45 a.m.	Early Risers	The Lord's Prayer: Connecting with God	Chapel
9:15 a.m.	Childcare	Children ages newborn to 5 years old	Children's Room
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	Book of Jonah	Classroom 2
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders Class	Joshua	Classroom 11
9:15 a.m.	Faith Finders	The Lord's Prayer: Connecting with God	Classrooms 6/7
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	Faith in Action	Chapel
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Churches in Small Towns	Classroom 14
10:30 a.m.	The Searchers	The Lord's Prayer: Connecting with God	Classrooms 6/7
10:30 a.m.	Spirited Singles	Christian group discussion	Classroom 3
10:45 a.m.	Wesley Class	Joshua	Classroom 11

New Covenant United Methodist Church

Summerhill Contemporary Worship
Saturday 5:00 p.m.

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

Summerhill Children's Orchard Worship
Sunday 10:45 a.m. (Classroom 1)

Lake Deaton Worship (Eisenhower Rec Center)
Sunday 8:30 • 9:45 • 11:00 a.m.

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Worship Attendance for last week: 2,740

(BEACH) 36 • (Roots) 16 • (Grounded Youth Group) 21

(Celebrate Recovery) 57 • (Fresh Expressions) 30 • (Orchard Worship) 9

(Saturday Contemporary) 314 • (Sunday Summerhill) 7:45–241 • 9:15–873 • 10:45–666

(Sunday Lake Deaton) 8:30–183 • 9:45–168 • 11:00–126

SUMMERHILL CAMPUS

JANUARY 20 & 21, 2018



Rev. Harold Hendren, Senior Pastor

Rev. Jim Divine, Lake Deaton Pastor

Rev. Kristyne Young, Pastor of
Congregational Life

Rev. Marilyn Anell, Visitation Pastor

Our Mission: To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the World.

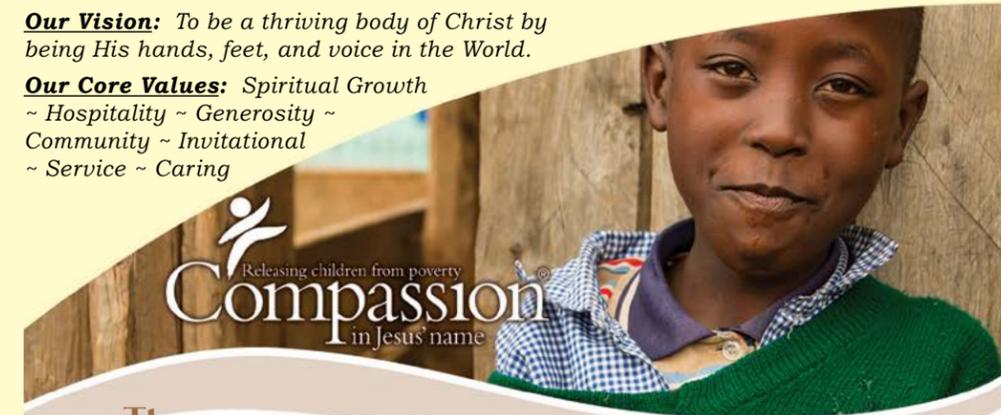
Our Vision: To be a thriving body of Christ by being His hands, feet, and voice in the World.

Our Core Values: Spiritual Growth

~ Hospitality ~ Generosity ~

Community ~ Invitational

~ Service ~ Caring



The Compassion Experience is at New Covenant!

Saturday: through 7 p.m. • Sunday: 9 a.m.–5 p.m. • Monday: 9 a.m.–5 p.m.

What is the Compassion Experience?

The Compassion Experience is a landmark presentation visiting churches, schools, and other venues across the country. It allows guests to be immersed in the reality of daily life in poverty that millions of children face around the world. It brings visitors into cultures completely outside of their own.

It's free and family-friendly! Experience another world without leaving yours. This event features an interactive journey through the true stories of children living in developing countries.

This will be fulfilling to you as you live the life of a child in a developing country. Perhaps you will feel moved to sponsor a child? Compassion International is a child-advocacy ministry that pairs compassionate people with those who are suffering from poverty. The ministry releases children from spiritual, economic, social, and physical poverty. The goal is for each child to become a responsible and fulfilled adult.



Christ-Centered: Because of your support, your sponsored child will hear the gospel and have the opportunity to trust Jesus. Many sponsored children become Christians and even lead their family members to Christ!



Child-Focused: Our child sponsorship ministry connects one child with one sponsor to help the child achieve his or her God-given potential. Sponsors write and receive letters, pray for and encourage their sponsored children and may even visit their children.



Church-Based: Every sponsored child is linked with a Christ-centered church in his or her community. Compassion partners with over 6,700 evangelical church partners in 25 developing countries around the world.

If you are interested in sponsoring a child, pick up a packet at a table in the East Narthex.

Outreach Ministry

Gleaning Strawberries
Mondays at 7:30 a.m. — West Parking Lot
 Every Monday, beginning January 29 through February 26, we have the opportunity to glean strawberries in the Orlando area. We will meet at the church by 7:15 a.m. and leave in the church bus by 7:30 a.m. Please contact Leon Schien at leonschien@gmail.com or (352) 245-6615, if you can join us.

An Evening of Hope Gala
Friday, January 26 at 5 p.m. — Fellowship Center
 Please join us for this elegant evening and help make a difference in the lives of the men of House of Hope! The event will be semi-formal with a gourmet meal and music by Mary Jo Vitale and Marcia Spear. Doors open at 5 p.m. for the silent auction, followed by dinner at 6 p.m. For more information, please call Mary Starkey at (352) 348-0840.

Tickets: \$100 per person (\$50 is tax deductible)
 Tickets are available at a kiosk in the East Narthex this weekend. Please note: The church office does not have tickets for sale.

House of Hope is a nonprofit, Christian ministry that provides a residential program dedicated to helping men reclaim their lives from the destruction of addictive behaviors. This volunteer-run program is sustained solely through fund-raising events and donations.

Seeds of Hope Annual Benefit Concert
February 9 at 7 p.m. — Christian Life Center
 The Villages favorites Norman Lee, Billie Thatcher, and Chris and Gillian Bolus return in this annual concert. Your donation of cash or non-perishable food items support the Wildwood Food Pantry and the Wildwood Soup Kitchen.
Admission by food or monetary donation at the door.

Helping Hands / Bargains & Blessings Volunteers
 Bargains & Blessings Resale Shop is just the place if you want to serve and get involved. We are currently looking for volunteers in every area, but more specifically for the following:

- **Drivers/Helpers** — You will either drive or help on Mon, Wed, or Fri between 9-12. This is a job that would require you to be able to lift at least 75 pounds.
- **Donation Scheduling Coordinating Team** — You would need to be tech savvy, specifically using Google Chrome, and would require you to dial in and listen to our voice messages and organize them on our Master Calling List and then our Google Calendar. This can be done from the comfort of your own home.
- To volunteer in one of these two areas, please contact Sondra Smolen at (315) 427-3580, or for inquires on other positions, please contact Betty Montgomery at (812) 480-3879 or Jane Sirek at (352) 817-1896.

Hearing Devices
 If you have difficulty hearing the Pastor's message each weekend, we have hearing-assistance devices at the Welcome Center. Just ask one of the volunteers to assist you.

Making connections

New Sermon Series
Anxious for Nothing...Finding Calm in a Chaotic World
 Pastor Harold begins a new series this weekend. At times life can bring great anxiety. We worry. We fret. We stew over the stuff that life throws at us. What if we took a different road? The Apostle Paul would call this causeway **CALM**. Join us over the next four weeks as we seek and find a deeper sense of CALM in life.

We find a new sense of direction in Philippians 4:4-8: *Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.*

- Celebrate God's Goodness
- Ask God for help
- Leave your concerns with Him
- Meditate on good things.

Connect Small Groups — Get "Connected" Today!
 Do you have worries or feel your world is chaotic? Everyone has or will experience "anxiety" at some time in their life. If you want to discuss and apply the key principles of Pastor Harold's sermon series, *Anxious for Nothing* by Max Lucado, get connected in a small group.
 For more information on this study or Connect Small Groups, please contact Jenny Sweat at jsweat@newcovenantumc-fl.org or (352) 750-4529.

New Covenant Church Library
 Our Library provides easy access to Christian-based literature and audio/visual materials for anyone. It has over 9,500 titles available for check out. The Library is open whenever the church is open, and an online catalog is available on a computer. New items are received mainly as donations. "Come in and check us out!"
 In addition, our Library has study materials available for Small Groups (multiple copies, plus leaders' guides and DVDs). Our church history, dating back to 1999, is also available for viewing — including newspaper clippings and photos of members, friends, and ministries. You will also find rare books, including hymnals carried by the old circuit riders. DVDs of our pastors' sermons, church events, and concerts are available for check out.

Discover New Covenant
Saturday, February 10 at 4 p.m. — Fellowship Center
Sunday, February 11 following Worship Services — Fellowship Center
 Just look for the balloons and join us! Visitors, non-members, and members are encouraged to attend to learn more about New Covenant and get answers to questions about getting connected to service opportunities, Bible Study and Connect Small Groups and Membership.
 If you would like more information, please contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at (352) 750-4529 or khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org. You may also stop at the Discover New Covenant Kiosk in the East Narthex any weekend to learn more about connecting into New Covenant.

New Member Classes
Lake Deaton Campus: Sunday, February 11 from 12:15–1:30 p.m.
Summerhill Campus: Monday, February 12 from 6–8 p.m.
 Did you know there are different types of church memberships? You may choose to retain your membership with another United Methodist Church (Affiliate membership), or church of another denomination (Associate membership), or Full membership.
 Please pick up a New Member Registration form at the Welcome kiosk, or contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org or (352) 750-4529.

Because We Care... Congregational Care Ministries

Alzheimer's Family Support Walk
Saturday, February 24 at 9 a.m. — The Villages Polo Field
 You may register online at www.alzheimersfamily.org/walkvillages, or between Worship Services at a kiosk in the East Narthex beginning January 27 through February 18. Be a part of the NCUMC team! "We walk because we care."

Prayer Room
 Our Prayer Room is open and available for your use. Whenever the church is open, it a place of sanctuary for contemplation and prayer. We hope that you take advantage of this beautiful space.

Your Church Wants to be Connected to You in Prayer!
 Please be sure to complete a prayer request card and place it in the new Prayer Request boxes at several spots on campus (entryways to the CLC, the Prayer Room, the Choir Room, and the Welcome/Information Centers), or drop in the offering plate or by the Care office.
 In the pastor's weekly eblast, we will include a link to the current prayer request list. Let us share your concerns and joys!

Yoga at New Covenant
Mondays from 4–6 p.m. — Christian Life Center
Yoga will not take place on Monday, January 22. We will resume our regular schedule on Monday, January 29.

- 4–5 p.m. — Intermediate Yoga/ West Coast Pilates
- 5–6 p.m. — Beginners Yoga

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

Precious Pillows Needs Willing Hands
 This group makes small pillows to share God's love to area children in need, and for those in assisted living and memory care facilities, and other outreach areas. For more information, please call Pat McLaughlin at (386) 688-7873, or the Congregational Care Office at (352) 750-4529.

Home Communion Servers
 We are in need of more volunteers to serve Communion to our shut-ins. For more information, please call Donna Jerue in the Congregational Care Office at (352) 750-4529.

Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...
 Pat Santulli, family and friends on the passing of her partner Jim Van Ness, and brother of Barbara Robertson.

New Concerns
 Larry Buckner, Tallia Cassel, Sharon Crawford, Jennifer Graut, Joyce Groat, Tom Hansen, Earl Kreisa, Mary Ann Justin, Carol Mead, Brent Miller, Meghan Price, Cathy O'Malle, Bob Sackett, Sid Sidlauskas, Judy Stubbs, Thelma Turek, Dean Wadd, Alexandria Webb