

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Bach with a Beat — As Time Goes By
 Thursday, May 10 at 6 p.m. — Fellowship Center
 Directed by Marilyn McClean.

\$12 (Tickets available at only at The Villages Box Office)

Women's May Gathering — "One Nation Under God"
 Thursday, May 17 from 10–11:45 a.m. — Fellowship Center
 Praising God as our real "Founding Father." As our last program until September, we will honor our country and those who serve with some very special guests. **Only a few tickets left — get your today!**

Menu: Potato Salad, Hamburgers or Hot Dogs with Condiments and Toppings, Baked Beans, Watermelon, and Chocolate & Blonde Brownies.

Tickets: \$7
 Tickets are available on our website (credit card fees will apply), and at the Ticket Kiosk in the West Narthex between Worship Services.

The Collingsworth Family
 Thursday, July 19 at 7 p.m. — Christian Life Center
 Excitement, spiritual anointing, family-emphasis, and musical excellence are what you can expect to find when you join us for an evening of family worship and praise.

Tickets: \$15 General • \$20 Preferred • \$25 Artist Circle (Tickets on sale soon at the VBO)

Coming This Fall
 October 14: Gordon Mote
 November 9: Clark Barrios presents *The Atlantic City Boys*
 November 11: Celebration Brass Band
 November 16: The Booth Brothers
 December 4: Choralettes in Concert

Outreach

Helping Hands Bargains & Blessings
 Bargains & Blessings needs volunteers to work in the store and for intake. These positions require two half-days a month. For more information, please call Jane Sirek at (352) 817-1896 or Betty Montgomery at (352) 751-6798.

Volunteers Needed for College Connection!
 We are searching for volunteers to write a monthly note or card, and/or send our college students an occasional "care package."

We want to let them know we are supporting and thinking about them during the school year. It does not need to be fancy or expensive, just an occasional reminder that they are still connected with New Covenant.

For more information, please contact Kayla McIntosh, Youth Minister, at (352) 750-4529 or kmcintosh@newcovenantumc-fl.org. Be creative, caring, and connecting!

Your Scripture for this Week

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
May 6	1 Chronicles 15-17	Psalms 89; 96; 100-101; 105; 132	Sunday: No Reading	Luke 8
May 7	1 Chronicles 18-21	2 Samuel 7; 1 Chronicles 17	Luke 22:1–20	Luke 9
May 8	1 Chronicles 22-24	Psalms 25; 29; 33; 36; 39	Luke 22:21–46	Luke 10
May 9	1 Chronicles 25-27	2 Samuel 8-9; 1 Chronicles 18	Luke 22:47–71	Luke 11
May 10	1 Chronicles 28-2 Chronicles 1	Psalms 50; 53; 60; 75	Luke 23:1–25	Luke 12
May 11	2 Chronicles 2-5	2 Samuel 10; 1 Chronicles 19; Psalms 20	Luke 23:26–56	Luke 13
May 12	2 Chronicles 6-8	Psalms 65-67; 69-70	Luke 24:1–32	Luke 14
May 13	2 Chronicles 9-12	2 Samuel 11-12; 1 Chronicles 20	Sunday: No Reading	Luke 15

Lord, . In Jesus' name, we 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	You Have Heard It Said	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	Acknowledging God	Chapel
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Teacher Walkouts	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 3470 Woodridge Dr. • The Villages, FL 32162
 Saturday 5:00 p.m. Phone: 352-750-4529

Summerhill Blended Worship Fax: 352-259-2971
 Sunday 7:45 • 9:15 • 10:45 a.m. Email: ncumc@newcovenantumc-fl.org

Summerhill Children's Orchard Worship Website: www.newcovenantumc-fl.org
 Sunday 10:45 a.m. (Classroom 1) Facebook: New Covenant United Methodist Church ~ A Place to Call Home

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

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Worship Attendance for Last Week: 2,934
 (BEACH) 48 • (Roots) 16 • (Celebrate Recovery) 61 • (Fresh Expressions) 103
 (Saturday Contemporary) 298 • (Orchard Worship) 3 • (Grounded Youth Group) 23
 (Sunday Summerhill) 7:45– 218 • 9:15–742 • 10:45–704
 (Sunday Lake Deaton) 8:30–191 • 9:45–186 • 11:00–111
 (5th Sunday Night Hymn Sing) 230



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



Lunched in September 2014, we are completing the fourth year of our Mentor Program! We have 40 Mentors working with Mentees (students) from eighth to eleventh grade at Wildwood Middle High School.

New Mentors Needed
 Our current Mentors "move up" with their Mentees, but because of how well-received the program continues to be, we have more students who are asking for Mentors. We are looking for adults who have a heart for teenagers and a sincere desire to provide love, patience, guidance, and support over a period of five years as your Mentee journeys from eighth grade through graduation. The Mentor Program focuses on four foundational areas: physical, spiritual, behavioral, and academic/career needs.

If God is leading you to do this, please contact Anne Foote Hill at (352) 750-4529 or afootehill@newcovenantumc-fl.org for an application. Applications are due on Friday, June 29. Training sessions will be held in July and August, and the Mentor Program will kick off in September.



Rev. Harold Hendren, Senior Pastor
 Rev. Jim Divine, Lake Deaton Pastor
 Rev. Kristyne Young, Pastor of Congregational Life
 Rev. Marilyn Anell, Visitation Pastor

congratulations GRADUATES!

Congratulations to our Graduating 2018 Seniors

Graduating from The Villages Charter School

Lindsey Collins: Pasco-Hernando State College; Pursuing a degree in Pediatric Nursing (daughter of David Collins and Steven & Anne Foote Hill)

Clae Graham: University of Auburn; Pursuing a degree in Agricultural Engineering (son of Ted & Shea Graham)

Kennedy Graham: University of Florida; Pursuing a degree in Biochemistry & Business Administration (daughter of Dan & Suzy Graham)

Isaiah Ward: Full Sail University; Pursuing a degree in Game Design (son of Dawn Chadwick)

Graduating from Florida Virtual School

Donald Schoen: Bethune-Cookman University; Pursuing a degree in Health Science (son of Michael & Jill Beck)

FINANCE

Stewardship Update

Great news! Based on our current giving trend toward debt elimination, our Summerhill mortgage payment that began at \$7.5 million will be paid in full by 2022. Paying off our mortgage is saving the church hundreds of thousands of dollars in interest.

Recently the United Methodist Foundation did increase the interest rate from 3½ to 4 percent. Although our monthly payment of \$45,628 is not impacted, this does affect the total amount of interest we will pay. The sooner we pay off the mortgage, the more money we will be saving!

The Lake Deaton Wish List

We distributed to the Lake Deaton congregation a "Wish List" to help furnish and accent the building. One of the items on that list is 1,000 chairs at a cost of \$40 per chair. If you would like to contribute to this "Chair Fund," cards and envelopes may be found at the Welcome Center in the East and West Narthexes. Please place your completed card, with your donation, in the envelope provided and return it to the Administration Office.

We have received contributions of \$18,062 towards the purchase of chairs for Lake Deaton.

End-of-Year Finance Information

Tax Reminder

You may be able to save on income taxes by making a direct contribution to the church from your IRA or stock investments (capital gains). Something to consider with your tax / investment advisor for the 2019 tax year.

Retirement Investments

In the year that you turn 70½ years old and each year after that, you are required by law to make a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from your IRAs, 401k, 403b, or other retirement investments. By making a donation directly to the church using the MRD, you can avoid a taxable event. Talk with your investment or tax advisor for more information.

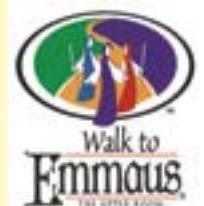
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Discover New Covenant

Saturdays at 4 p.m. & Sundays from 8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. — Fellowship Center
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 Studies, 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.



Tri-County Emmaus Gathering

Thursday, May 17 at 6:30 p.m. — Fellowship Center

Please join us for our next gathering, which includes a covered dish dinner. Please bring a salad, vegetable or main dish that will serve at least 12 people. Dessert, beverages, paper products and table service are provided.

Following dinner we will have lots of singing, a Fourth Day speaker and end the Gathering with Holy Communion. Please share this announcement with others who have been on an Emmaus Walk or other recognized Fourth Day experience.

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



New Member Classes

Lake Deaton Campus: *Sunday, June 10 from 12:15–1:45 p.m.*

Summerhill Campus: *Monday, June 11 from 6–7:30 p.m.*

You may register for either class on our website. Click the "Registrations" tab at the top of the homepage, then select any of the "Open Registrations" buttons. You may also fill out a Registration form available at the Welcome Centers in the East or West Narthexes.

For more information, please contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at (352) 750-4529 or khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org.



Connect Small Groups

Sometimes our lives are hurried and fragmented. There are so many options with our time. We all need a place "to belong." A place where we can know others and be known by them. A place where there is Christ-centered Connection, Care, and Community. If you are looking for such a "place," a Connect Small Group may be for you.

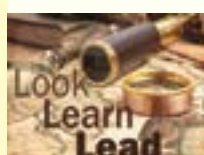
Groups are available for women, couples, men and singles. For more information, please contact Jenny Sweat at jsweat@newcovenantumc-fl.org or call (352) 750-4529.

TidBits



Altar Flowers

The Altar flowers have been provided by: Ida Poret in memory of her mother Zeni and brother Dennis, and Irene Manahan in memory of her husband Fred.



Look, Learn, Lead Study Guides

How Christianity was Won... Peter, A Trailblazer for Faith

If you would like a "Look, Learn, Lead" study guide, they are available at the Welcome Center, a kiosk, and a table in the East Narthex.

All weekly guides are also available on our website — just click the "Worship" button and select "Sermon Series." Choose whichever series you wish to download.

Congregational Care

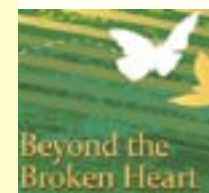


Prime Time — Everyone is Invited!

Thursday, May 10 from 10 a.m.–12:30 p.m. — Fellowship Center

All seniors in the "primes" of their lives are invited to Prime Time, as we celebrate Mother's Day! New Covenant's JOY! Singers will provide the program, along with singing with Pat Smith and Brian Maderos.

Lunch is \$6 payable at the door. To make a reservation, please call the office at 750-4529 by Monday, May 7 and indicate if you need transportation.



Beyond the Broken Heart

Mondays, June 25–August 13 from 10–11:30 a.m.

Our summer grief support program begins in June and meets each Monday. Let others walk alongside you as you maneuver this new season. To register, please contact Congregational Care at (352) 750-4529.



Yoga at New Covenant

Mondays from 4–6 p.m. — Chapel

Join our intermediate and/or beginner yoga classes each week and discover how you can strengthen your body through yoga.

- 4–5 p.m. — Intermediate Yoga
- 5–6 p.m. — Beginners Yoga

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



Happy Hands

Wednesdays from 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m. — Classroom 14

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry meets each week. If you are interested in helping, just stop by for a visit. This ministry is also looking for donations of yarn. If you are able to help, please drop off your donations in the Congregational Care Department.



Stephen Ministry is Here for You

If you are in a crisis and could use some help from a trained, caring Christian friend, please consider requesting a Stephen Minister.

Please call the Congregational Care office at (352) 750-4529 to receive more information on this caring ministry and to receive support. A Stephen Minister will walk with you through a crisis, listening, and praying for you all the way.



The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for: Robert (Bobby) K. Sommerville who is fighting poisoning; and Carol Lyons who has lung and brain cancer. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...

Katherine Poole, family and friends on the passing of her husband Rev. Donn Poole, Pastor of Brownwood Baptist Church.

For dates and locations of memorial services, please visit our website.

New Concerns

Susie Auripas, Florence Bradley, Brian Burdette, Walton (Dick) Garner, Irene Fulaytor, Lennie Kimball, Dorie Masemore, Connie Mandigo, Michael Mc Cullough, Doug Herman, Braylon Simon, Peggy Schlaret and siblings, Dave Tyler, Kay Watters, Lauren Wiseheart

Sunday, May 6, 2018

Gathering

Music for Gathering — Sharon Pederson, piano

Welcome and Announcements

Passing the Peace

Adoration and Praise

Hymn — ???

Affirmation from 1 Timothy / Gloria Patri

Sharing Together

Gift of Music — ???

Pastoral Prayer / The Lord's Prayer

Gift of Music — ??? —

Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory Anthem — ??? — The Chancel Choir

Doxology — *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hearing God's Word

"How Christianity was Won... Peter, A Trailblazer for Faith" (Part 4)

??? — Rev. Harold Hendren

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Responding to God's Word

Hymn of Response — ???

Postlude

Summerhill Campus Weekly Calendar		
Sunday, May 6 — Helping Hands Bargains & Blessings Truck / Senior Recognition Weekend		
4:30 p.m.	God's Girls	Classroom 2
5 p.m.	High School Mission Trip Parent Meeting	Classroom 10
6 p.m.	Grounded Youth Group	Classroom 10
Monday, May 7		
10 a.m.	Prayers & Squares Quilt Ministry	Classroom 14
12:30 p.m.	Precious Pillows	Classroom 14
3 p.m.	Community Bible Study for Women	Fellowship Center
4 p.m.	Intermediate Yoga	Chapel
5 p.m.	Beginner Yoga	Chapel
Tuesday, May 8		
7:30 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast	Fellowship Center
8:30 a.m.	Links Bible Study for Men	Classroom 3
1 p.m.	Abba Art: Painting and Poetry	Classrooms 1, 3
3 p.m.	PeAr: Performing Arts After-school Program Rehearsal	CLC, Chapel, Classroom 2, CR
4:45 p.m.	Terrific Tuesday Dinner & Program (SOLD OUT)	Fellowship Center
Wednesday, May 9		
8 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast (Lake Deaton Campus)	Evans Prairie Country Club
11 a.m.	Happy Hands Knitting and Crocheting	Classroom 14
2:30 p.m.	BEACH After-school Program	Chapel, Classrooms 1, 2, 3
3:15 p.m.	Praying Together	Classroom 14
3:30 p.m.	Roots After-school Program	Classroom 10
5:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery	Wildwood UMC
5:45 p.m.	Confirmation Class	Classroom 10
6 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Classrooms 8/9
Thursday, May 10		
10 a.m.	Prime Time	Fellowship Center
10 a.m.	Alzheimer's Support Group	Classrooms 1, 2, 3, 6/7
2 p.m.	Hope for Hurting Parents	Classroom 14
4 p.m.	Ministry Team Meeting	Classrooms 6/7
6 p.m.	Gambler's Anonymous	Chapel, Classroom 14
6 p.m.	Bach with a Beat	Fellowship Center
Friday, May 11		
5:45 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery	Fellowship Center
Saturday, May 12		
9 a.m.	Men's Retreat Make-up Session 2	Fellowship Center
4 p.m.	Discover New Covenant	Fellowship Center
Sunday, May 13		
8:30 a.m.	Discover New Covenant (through 12:30)	Fellowship Center
4:30 p.m.	God's Girls	Classroom 2
5 p.m.	High School Mission Trip Parent Meeting	Classroom 10
6 p.m.	Grounded Youth Group	Classroom 10

Recreation Ministry			
Men's Golf			
9 Holes	Monday	Dave Reed (south of 466)	751-5593
9 Holes	Monday	Al Allmen (north of 466)	753-1014
9 Holes	Tuesday	Bob Bruce (north of 466)	753-4511
9 Holes	Tuesday	Don Buckley (south of 466)	(919) 662-6360
18 Holes	Friday	Alan Carroll (by 4 p.m. Sunday)	430-0920
Ladies' Golf			
9 Holes	Tuesday	Nancy Cragg (by 4 p.m. Friday)	259-4844
9 Holes	Thursday	Jean Hollowell (by 4 p.m. Saturday)	391-1586
18 Holes	Friday	Sally Drake	jsdrake1@msn.com
Bridge			
Ladies	Thursday	Carol Carpenter (north of 466)	693-2363
Singles	Thursday	Barbara Hinebaugh (12:30 p.m.)	753-9316
Recreational Pickleball (beginners welcome!) — Pimlico Rec Center			
4-6 p.m.	Sunday	Roger Kassing	633-0697