

Gene Pinczewski and Marge Ruxton in memory of Liz Pinczewski; and Peggy Dresser in memory of her husband Dick

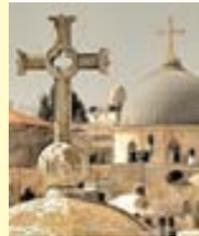
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MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST CANCELED THIS WEEK

Tuesday, November 13 at 7:30 a.m. — Fellowship Center

Please note that our Men's Breakfast has been canceled for this week only. Please join us again next Tuesday, November 20



Holy Land Trip 2019 Informational Meeting

Tuesday, November 13 at 9:30 a.m. — Chapel

Pastor Harold will lead another trip to the Holy Land from March 18-27, 2019. If you are interested in going and would like to know about the trip, please join us for an informational meeting. Please pick up a brochure and add your name to the "Interest List" at the Welcome Center or Ticket Kiosk in either Narthex.



Look, Learn, Lead Guides

If you would like a "Look, Learn, Lead" study guide for those who want to delve deeper into Pastor Harold's sermon series, they are available on a table in front of the Ticket Kiosk, and a kiosk and a table in the East Narthex.

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



Lost & Found

Our Lost & Found is located in the Resource Room which is in the hallway between the West Narthex and the Chapel. Look for our signs.

Due to the number of things left behind, our process is...

- Newly-found items will be placed in the top drawer labeled "Week 1."
- On a weekly basis, items will be moved down one drawer.
- On the first of each month, all items in the bottom (fourth week) drawer will be donated to Bargains & Blessings.
- High value items (jewelry, phones, etc.) will be taken to the Administration Office.



Are You Receiving the Pastors' Weekly Sermon Email?

We have an easy way for you to sign up for the pastors' eblasts. Just log onto the church website and hold your mouse — or finger — over the Worship button (under Pastor Harold's photo).

There you will see "WORSHIP SERVICES," "SERMON SERIES," and "EBLAST SIGN-UP." Click "EBLAST SIGN-UP" and that will open the request form. Fill in the form completely and click "Sign Up." It's that easy!

You can also access this Eblast Sign-Up form from the Member's Portal, if you have a church directory password. If you need a password for the Member's Portal, please call Dawn Chadwick, Technology Support Coordinator, at (352) 750-4529 for assistance.



Newspaper Recycling

Did you know that you can recycle your newspapers here? We have a large recycling container behind the church kitchen. All proceeds from your recycled newspapers are returned to the church to be used for our various ministries. **Please note: We do not accept cardboard.**

	Genesis to Revelation	As events occurred Chronologically	New Testament	The Gospels
November 11	John 16-18	John 14-17	Sunday: No Reading	Luke 1
November 12	John 19-21	Matthew 27; Mark 15	Hebrews 1-2	Luke 2
November 13	Acts 1-3	Luke 23; John 18-19	Hebrews 3-4	Luke 3
November 14	Acts 4-6	Matthew 28; Mark 16	Hebrews 5:1-6:8	Luke 4
November 15	Acts 7-8	Luke 24; John 20-21	Hebrews 6:9-7:19	Luke 5
November 16	Acts 9-10	Acts 1-3	Hebrews 7:20-8:13	Luke 6
November 17	Acts 11-13	Acts 4-6	Hebrews 9	Luke 7
November 18	Acts 14-15	Acts 7-8	Sunday: No Reading	Luke 8

Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as head above all. (1 Chronicles 29:11)

Lord, Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise him Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. 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	Living in the Goodness of God — The Twenty-third Psalm	Chapel
9:15 a.m.	Childcare	Children ages newborn to 5 years old	Children's Room
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	Studying Today's Lectionary Passages	Classroom 2
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders Class	Revealing the Mysteries of Heaven	Classroom 11
9:15 a.m.	Faith Finders	Living in the Goodness of God — The Twenty-third Psalm	Classrooms 6/7
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	Genesis	Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Spirited Singles	Book of Acts	Classroom 3
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	DNA & Identity	Classroom 14
10:30 a.m.	The Searchers	Living in the Goodness of God — The Twenty-third Psalm	Classrooms 6/7
10:45 a.m.	Wesley Class	Revealing the Mysteries of Heaven	Classroom 11

New Covenant United Methodist Church

Summerhill Contemporary Worship
Saturday 5:00 p.m.

3470 Woodridge Dr. • The Villages, FL 32162

Phone: 352-750-4529

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

Fax: 352-259-2971

Email:
ncumc@newcovenantumc-fl.org

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

Website:
www.newcovenantumc-fl.org

Lake Deaton Worship (Eisenhower Rec Center)
Sunday 9:00 • 10:30 a.m.

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

♿ Accessible • Hearing Assistive Devices are available at the Welcome Center.
Handicap seating is available throughout the Christian Life Center.

Like us on Facebook: [New Covenant United Methodist Church ~ A Place to Call Home](#)
We regularly update our Facebook page with photos, announcements, and events.

Worship Attendance for Last Week: 2,469

(Fresh Expressions) 99

(Orchard Worship) 11 • (Grounded Youth Group) 28

(Saturday Contemporary) 262 • (Sunday Summerhill) 7:45-261 • 9:15-746 • 10:45-568

(Sunday Lake Deaton) 9:00-281 • 10:30-213



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.

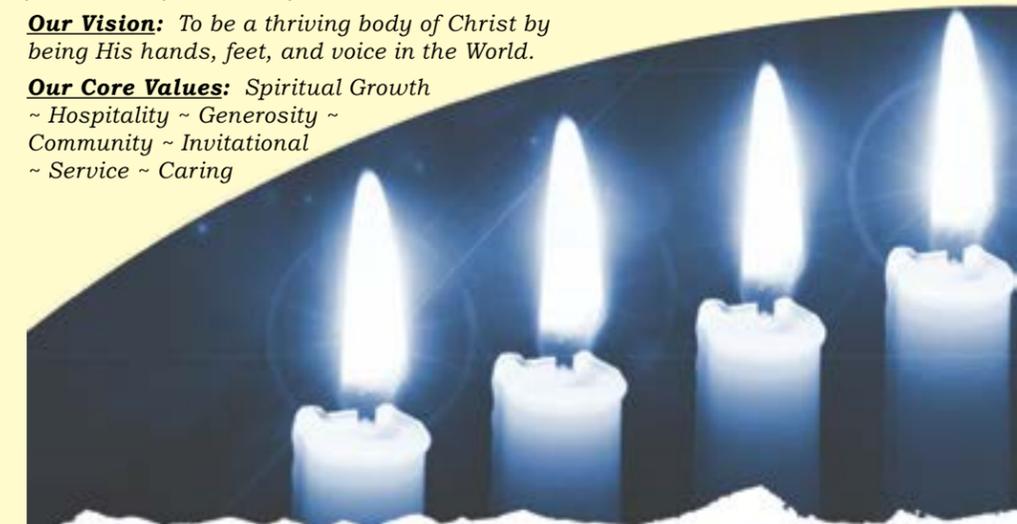
Our Vision: To be a thriving body of Christ by being His hands, feet, and voice in the World.

Our Core Values: Spiritual Growth

~ Hospitality ~ Generosity ~

Community ~ Invitational

~ Service ~ Caring



This Advent Season, let us join together as a church family on "The Journey to Joy"!

During Advent, we prepare for, and anticipate, the coming of Christ. We remember the longing of Jews for a Messiah and our own longing for, and need of, forgiveness, salvation and a new beginning. Even as we look back and celebrate the birth of Jesus in a humble stable in Bethlehem, we also look forward to anticipating the second coming of Christ as the fulfillment of all that was promised by His first coming.*

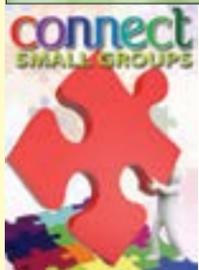
Members of the New Covenant staff and lay leadership have enjoyed spending their time and talents to put together a special email devotional just for us! Starting the first Sunday of Advent, December 2, and ending on Christmas Eve, those who sign up will receive a special email each day with an Advent Devotion and discussion questions. This devotion can be used in your private meditations, with your family or even your small group. Our hope is that this devotion is a special blessing to you and everyone you share it with.

To sign up for the *Journey to Joy Advent Devotional*, you can go to <http://bit.ly/ldadvent>, or click on the link found in the Pastor weekly eblast.

*(www.umc.org/what-we-believe/what-is-advent)



connections



Connect Small Groups

We were not meant to live life in isolation. God created us to be in community. Jesus was in a small group community with his 12 disciples. They shared both the ups and downs of life together as they learned how to live out their faith.

Would you like to get acquainted with others, have a closer relationship with Jesus Christ, have fun as a group, pray together and serve together? A Connect Small Group offers you this opportunity.

Groups are available for Couples, Men, Women, and Singles. To learn more or to get connected in a group, contact Jenny Sweat at jsweat@newcovenantumc-fl.org or (352) 750-4529.

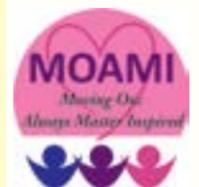


Discover New Covenant

Saturday, December 8 — After Worship Service — Fellowship Center
Sunday, December 9 — After Worship Services — Fellowship Center

The Fellowship Center is located directly across from the Christian Life 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 Joyce Dunne at (352) 750-4529 or jdunne@newcovenantumc-fl.org.



"MOAMI" 2019 Class — Online Registrations Open

Thursdays, January 24 through March 28 at 1 p.m.

Our Summerhill class registration for the 2019 class is now open. The cost of the class is \$35. For more information and to register for the class, please visit a kiosk in the East Narthex this weekend.

You may also register on the church website (www.newcovenantumc-fl.org). Click on the "Registrations" tab at the top of the page; click the "Browse Summerhill Open Registrations" button; then select "MOAMI 2019 Participants."

For more information, please Diann LaRosa at dml48@msn.com or (617) 320-6924, or Susanne Beason at susineubauer@hotmail.com or (352) 753-5744.



Yoga Classes

Mondays from 4–6 p.m. — Christian Life Center

Yoga practice every Monday! We offer our intermediate class at 4 p.m. and the gentle, restorative class with modifications for chair practice at 5 p.m. Join us as we work on strengthening our body and our spirit through the practice of yoga combined with prayer.

There is a suggested \$3 donation per class that supports our Congregational Health ministry. For more information, please contact Kayla McIntosh at kmcintosh@newcovenantumc-fl.org or Karen Hughes at twofortydesign@hotmail.com.

volunteers NEEDED



Kitchen Ministry

It is our mission to provide exceptional meals and service for the various ministries at New Covenant. To do so we need additional volunteers. We need individuals who are willing and able to be "on call" to assist with various scheduled events, when their personal schedule permits.

- Kitchen: Preparing menu items with the chef
 - Dishes: Working with others washing dishes (using our commercial dishwasher)
 - Dining Room: Assisting with place settings at dining tables and making sure the guests are served
- If you are interested, please contact Chef John at jkellar@newcovenantumc-fl.org or call Ginny in the Church Administration office at (352) 750-4529.

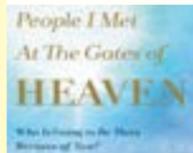
Outreach



Christmas Wish Tree — Reminder

Our annual Christmas Wish Tree is here! This is a wonderful way to contribute to the joy of Christmas for children and families. Please stop at a Christmas Tree in either Narthex to pick up a gift tag. As a reminder, all gifts need to be returned by **Sunday, November 25**.

If you have any questions, please contact Pam Brown at (319) 321-8934 or pamdonin@aol.com.



Don Piper Books Available to Purchase

We have limited copies of Don's book available at the kiosk in the East Narthex. Cash or Checks only (no credit cards). Please make your checks payable to "NCUMC" with "DPiper book" on the memo line.



UMCOR Sager-Brown Mission Trip Information Meeting

Thursday, November 15 at 4 p.m. — Classroom 6/7

Are you interested in learning more about UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief)? New Covenant's UMCOR group is holding their first informational meeting for their 2019 Spring Mission Trip to Baldwin, Louisiana.

Volunteers assemble, verify, and pack relief-supply kits to be sent to areas where they are needed most. They also help with outreach programs in the depot's local communities.

If you have any questions about UMCOR or this trip, please contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum, Outreach Coordinator, at (352) 750-4529 or khudak@newcovenantumc-fl.org.



Christmas Shoe Boxes

The total shoe boxes for this year's effort is 1,169. We sent 770 to Bombita through COPA, and 399 to Samaritan Purse. Thank you for your support.



Lions Club International "Recycle for Sight"

Make a positive difference. Donate your usable eyeglasses and help someone see better. New Covenant now has a donation box in the Resource Room to place your old glasses.

WORSHIP LORD

Advent Sermon Series

Christmas is supposed to be a season of great joy, yet Christmas can be a very stressful and complex time. With mounting pressures of fulfilling deadlines and satisfying obligations, Christmas can be overwhelming.

The question we are going to be addressing during Advent is, "Does it have to be that way?" What if we just simplified Christmas? The beauty found in the Christmas narrative is that God uses simple people to share His simple story of great love. Emmanuel, God with us! I hope you will join us as we take this simple journey through the Christmas story, and hopefully, learn more about God's simple message for the world.

"Simple Christmas Joy"

- December 1/2: *Simple Joy that Comes out of Darkness*
- December 8/9: *Simple Joy for Simple People*
- December 15/16: *A Joyful Future that Seems so Simple*
- December 22/23: *Simple News, Great News, Joyful News*
- Christmas Eve: *Can it really be that Simple?*



Congregational Care



Health Education Speaker Series

Monday, Nov. 12 at 6 p.m. — Fellowship Center

Dr. David Casper and Dr. Joanna Bolton will host a panel discussion on aging skin and its specific care and needs. Dr. Casper has been a favorite speaker for our series, and this year we are pleased to welcome Dr. Joanna Bolton. Please make sure you come out for this event!



Surviving the Holidays

Sunday, November 11 from 4–6 p.m. — Chapel

Are you wondering how you will survive the weeks surrounding Thanksgiving and Christmas? Are you dreading these holidays, knowing that everything has changed and that happy memories from past years can't be recreated? Our Surviving the Holidays seminar, a Presentation by GriefShare,® is especially for people who are grieving a loved one's death.

For more information, please call the Congregational Care office at (352) 750-4529. Reservations are not required, but are very helpful!



Alzheimer's Awareness Month

Thursdays from 10–11:30 a.m.

November is Alzheimer's Awareness Month in the United States. One in three seniors die with Alzheimer's or another dementia. Every 65 seconds, someone develops this disease. Almost six million Americans are living with Alzheimer's.

Our Alzheimer's ministry conducts support and respite care sessions every week. For more information, please call the Congregational Care office at (352) 750-4529.



Hope and Healing Service

Sunday, December 9 at 5 p.m. — Chapel

Every year we offer a special time of reflection for the loved ones lost. This service is open to all.



Prayer Request Cards

Prayer requests are an important way for the Pastors to know your concerns. Please help us support you when you need prayer. You can fill out a Prayer Request Card and put it in the designated boxes or offering plate. You may also submit your prayer concerns on our website — just click the "Prayer Request" tab.



The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for: Harman Hoge who has lung cancer; Kathleen Oden who is in hospice; Denny (Dennis) Stockstill who is going through stem cell treatment; Al Vell who has multiple health issues; and Terry Williams who has colon & diabetes problems. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

New Concerns

Andrew (from Haiti), Joan & Warren Cain, Nicole Cannon, Ed Christianson, Jim Cone, Judi Healander, Filmonov Family, Mary Ann Hayward, Bob Jeffer, Kelley Family, Judy Kozack, Sue Latham, Brad Lindsey, Penny Lopez, Jerry Meinert, Sandi Richmond, Tom Materazo, Government Leaders, Don Wagner, Carole & Ed Welby, Connor Wiley, Alexandria Wright, Rick Zimmerman

tickets

The Ticket Kiosk in the West Narthex is open between Worship Services. Stop by to purchase tickets supporting the various ministries of New Covenant (unless otherwise noted).

Tickets are also available on our website (credit card fees will apply).



Celebration Brass Band's Salute to Veterans

Sunday, November 11 at 6 p.m. — Fellowship Center

The Celebration Brass Band, with Jill Van Syckle conducting, will present a concert of patriotic music to honor our military veterans. Civil War tunes, America the Beautiful, Stars and Stripes Forever, and a tribute to Leonard Bernstein will highlight this special program.

Tickets: \$15

A portion of the net proceeds benefits the Summer Mission Trips of New Covenant's Youth Ministry.

November Women's Gathering — SOLD OUT

PLEASE NOTE: If you have a ticket for the November Gathering and realize you cannot attend, please call the church office as soon as possible and let the Receptionist know your ticket is available for someone else to use. We will not be issuing refunds, but greatly appreciate your willingness to share your ticket so as many women as possible can attend. Thank you!



The Booth Brothers in Concert

Friday, November 16 at 7 p.m. — Christian Life Center

Ronnie Booth, Michael Booth, and Paul Lancaster make up this award-winning trio. Their God-given talent has garnered them numerous awards, including Album of the Year, Song of the Year, Trio of the Year, Favorite Artist of the Year and many others. The Booth Brothers have a unique ability to communicate through song and humor. They appreciate the opportunity to meet their friends and fans through their appearances on the Bill Gaither Homecoming tours and their own touring schedule.

Tickets: \$25 (Artist Circle) · \$20 (General Admission)

Tickets are available only at The Villages Box Office.

A portion of the net proceeds benefits our Summerhill Men's Ministry.



The Villages Flute Choir

Thursday, November 29 at 6 p.m. — Fellowship Center

Under the direction of Linda Quinn, The Villages Flute Choir is an ensemble of approximately 14 musicians playing flutes of various sizes, including piccolo, C flute, alto flute and bass flute.

The wide range in pitch afforded by the various sizes of flutes creates a "choir or organ-like" sound. The group plays a wide variety of challenging and eclectic music, including popular music, swing and jazz, classical, religious music and more.

At-Door Suggested Donation of \$10

A portion of the net proceeds benefits the New Covenant's Congregational Care Ministry.



Ring the Bells! — Singles Christmas Dinner

Friday, November 30 from 5:15–8 p.m. — Fellowship Center

A night of fun with Christmas songs and games to ring in the season. All singles are invited to join us for dinner. Special entertainment will be provided by guest soloist Angie Rose.

Tickets: \$12 per person

You must purchase tickets by noon on Monday, November 26.

Get your copy of the NEW "2018 Fall Concerts & Events Brochure" in the East or West Narthex.



The Choralettes — Too Old for Christmas?

Tuesday, December 4 at 6 p.m. — Fellowship Center

Under the direction of Janie Berry, The Choralettes present an original musical with trumpet and flute solos, dancing, and sing-a-longs that you are sure to enjoy.

A Love Offering will be accepted with all proceeds supporting the Summer Mission Trips of the Youth Ministry.



Bach with a Beat "Swingle Bells"

Thursday, December 6 at 6 p.m. — Fellowship Center

Join Bach with a Beat for a wonderful evening of music featuring seasonal and unique music. You do not want to miss this holiday concert.

Tickets: \$15

Tickets are available only at The Villages Box Office.

A portion of the net proceeds will benefit New Covenant's Beds and Blankets Outreach Ministry.



VCS "Winter Follies"

Friday, December 7 at 7 p.m. — Fellowship Center

The Villages High School Music Theater Department with the Women's Choir, Men's Choir, Chamber Singers, Jazz Band, First Grade Honors Choir, and La Hacienda Catering Service present a creative new vision of the Charles Dickens classic, *A Christmas Carol*. This promises to be an unforgettable holiday experience you will not want to miss.

Tickets: \$30, \$40, \$50

Tickets on sale at the Villages Charter High School office.

A partnership arrangement with The Villages Charter School and New Covenant.

Watch for More Information on These Upcoming Events

New Covenant Choirs and Orchestra present "Christmas at New Covenant"

Sunday, December 16 at 3 and 7 p.m. — Summerhill Campus

FREE Tickets will be available at a kiosk in the East Narthex beginning November 17.

Annual Concert Benefiting "Backpacks for Kids"

Sean Pollock, Angie Rose, and guests

January 10, 2019 — Summerhill Campus

The Kramers join us in Worship and present an Evening Concert

January 13, 2019 — Summerhill Campus

The Good Stuff Festival

Support Amanda Perrone, one of our Youth members, in her Girl Scout Gold Award.

January 26, 2019 — Summerhill Campus

The Villages Wind Ensemble

A portion of the proceeds benefits the Wildwood Food Pantry

January 27, 2019 — Summerhill Campus