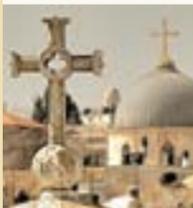


## ALTAR FLOWERS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED BY...

Becky Garrett in memory of her husband Jim Cone; and  
Mari Hansen in memory of her husband Tom Hansen.



### Holy Land Trip 2019 Informational Meeting Tuesday, January 15 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 in either Narthex.

### Thank You for Your Support of our Ministries

Christmas Shoe Boxes sent out	1,177
Helping Hands/Bargains & Blessings gave to Missions	\$312,627
Children received gifts from the Christmas Wish Tree	443
Helping Hands/Bargains & Blessings gave to Lake Deaton for new construction	\$180,672
Helping Hands/Bargains & Blessings gave to Summerhill Debt Elimination	\$59,328
Christmas Eve Offering to the Wildwood Mentor Scholarship Fund	\$16,004
Monies collected through Giving in the Spirit	\$58,439
Staff Love Offering	\$25,000

## volunteers NEEDED



### Welcome Team

We need volunteers during weekend Worship Services to welcome people dropping off someone in the drop-off loop or parked in the handicap parking near the entrances to the building. This may include opening car doors, helping with walkers/wheelchairs, and providing umbrella service when needed.

Training will be provided. If you would like more information, please contact Joyce Dunne at (352) 750-4529 or [jdunne@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:jdunne@newcovenantumc-fl.org).



### Information Kiosk

We are in need of individuals or couples to serve at the Information Kiosk Saturday nights before the 5:00 service and Sundays before the 7:45 & 10:45 services. Training will be provided. If you would like more information, please contact Joyce Dunne at (352) 750-4529 or [jdunne@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:jdunne@newcovenantumc-fl.org).



### Host/Hostess for Discover New Covenant

We are in need of individuals or couples to serve at Discover New Covenant Saturday night and Sunday morning following each service. Discover New Covenant is held on the second weekend of each month. Supplies and Training will be provided. If you would like more information, please contact Joyce Dunne at (352) 750-4529 or [jdunne@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:jdunne@newcovenantumc-fl.org).



### Helping First-time Visitors

We are in need of help during the 10:45 a.m. Worship Service to serve at the First-time Visitor Kiosk. If you are interested, please contact Joyce Dunne at (352) 750-4529 or [jdunne@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:jdunne@newcovenantumc-fl.org).



### Volunteers Needed for Kids Central

Volunteers are needed at the corporate office in Wildwood (901 Industrial Drive, Suite 200, Wildwood; next to Russell Stovers Candy Shop) for the following positions:

- **Education:** Assist the Educational Liaison with a follow-up on the education of school-aged children in care (3-4 hours a week or more, if desired). A background with school systems is needed
- **Resource Center:** Sort incoming donations, organize Resource Center, fill resource requests (3-4 hours a week minimum or more, if desired)

For more information, please contact Shawanna Felton, Community Facilitator, at (352) 748-1354 or (352) 857-1358 or [shawanna.felton@kidscentralinc.org](mailto:shawanna.felton@kidscentralinc.org).

## YOUR SCRIPTURE FOR THIS WEEK

Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock **I will build my church**, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. (Matthew 16:18)

"I will acknowledge Satan but worship God. I will trust that Christ is greater than any temptation that will come my way. I will not rely on my own strength when I come face to face with the evil one. I will guard my heart and mind with God's truth." —Max Lucado



### With Much Gratitude...

We want to thank you for your gracious Christmas gift that you have extended to each one of us. We all felt blessed by your generosity during this season of giving. We are honored to serve you, and with you, in the Name of Jesus Christ. —The Staff of New Covenant

### SUNDAY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

7:45 a.m.	Early Risers	Hebrews: Linking the Old and New Testaments	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	Revealing the Mysteries of Heaven	Classroom 11
9:15 a.m.	Faith Finders	Hebrews: Linking the Old and New Testaments	Classrooms 6/7
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	Our Love for God	Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Apologetics	Learn How to Share Your Faith with Others	Classroom 6/7
10:30 a.m.	Spirited Singles	Book of Acts	Classroom 3
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Good News	Classroom 14
10:30 a.m.	The Searchers	Hebrews: Linking the Old and New Testaments	Chapel
10:45 a.m.	Wesley Class	Revealing the Mysteries of Heaven	Classroom 11

**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.**

### 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 SUNDAY WORSHIP  
CONTEMPORARY 8 A.M. • BLENDED 9:30 A.M.  
TRADITIONAL 11 A.M.



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WE REGULARLY UPDATE OUR FACEBOOK PAGE WITH PHOTOS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND EVENTS.

### Worship Attendance for Last Week: 3,093

(Fresh Expressions) 30 • (Saturday Contemporary) 313  
(Summerhill Sunday) 7:45-287 • 9:15-908 • 10:45-699  
(Orchard Worship) 7 • (Grouned Youth Group) 33  
(Lake Deaton) 8:00-153 • 10:30-437 • 11:00-226

## SUMMERHILL CAMPUS

JANUARY 12 & 13, 2019

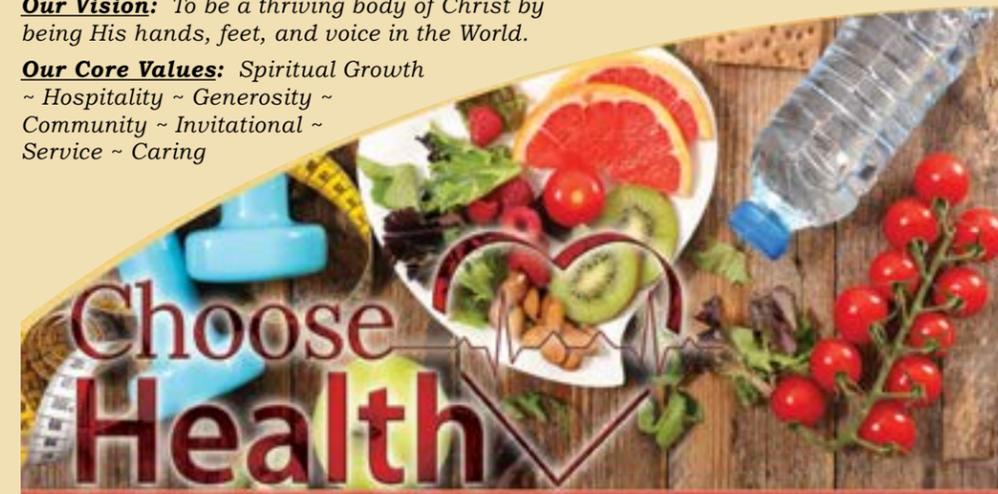


Rev. Harold Hendren, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Jim Divine, Lake Deaton Pastor  
Rev. Kristyne Young, Lake Deaton Discipleship Pastor  
Rev. Marilyn Anell, Visitation Pastor

**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



### Enhancing Balance, Joint Stability, Mobility, and Body Strength Beginning with the Feet



Welcome Donna Robertson to our Health Education Speaker Series. Donna is a sought-after lecturer in the topic of pedorthics. The discussion will include pedorthic techniques involving foot and ankle assessment, shoe technologies/function and foot biomechanics.

Also to be discussed will be fall prevention through improvement of balance, stability, body awareness and muscular strength. Foot position, ankle/knee alignment will be presented through power point slides, including specific case studies addressing foot function, foot pathologies and appropriate shoe selections.

Donna Robertson is an education consultant to Foot Solutions Corporation as a pedorthic specialist with unique skills in the sports pedorthic area, involving injury assessment, prevention and rehabilitation, custom foot orthotics, footwear selections, and advanced pedorthic solutions. She has worked with many sports professionals and is well-known throughout the USA for her work and lectures. Donna was inducted into the ALATA (Alabama Athletic Trainers Association) Hall of Fame in 2000, she has been a feature speaker for many medical community associations.

Donna received her BS degree in health, physical education and recreation from the University of North Alabama in 1974, and her Master's degree in health in 1978, as well as certification as an athletic trainer in 1977 and certification in pedorthics in 1987. At the 2004 Olympic Games in Athens, Greece, Donna worked with the foot and ankle medical team as a pedorthist.

**MONDAY  
JANUARY 14  
6PM  
FELLOWSHIP CENTER**



### Upcoming Speakers

Monday, February 18 at 6 p.m.

Dr. Nitzza Alvarez with Tri-County Heart Institute  
Dr. Alvarez is a well-known cardiologist in our area, and will be presenting on "Prevent the Stent."

Monday, March 11 at 6 p.m.

Diana and Dr. Gabe Mirkin

Diana Mirkin, a popular cookbook author and nutritionist, will give us recipes and tips about eating well for good health; and Dr. Gabe Mirkin, a well-known specialist, author, and speaker on healthy living.

WHAT YOU DO  
**TODAY**  
CAN IMPROVE ALL  
YOUR TOMORROWS



Welcome The Kramers to all Sunday morning Worship Services. We invite you to return Sunday at 6 p.m. for an inspiring and uplifting concert of hymns and southern gospel classics. A love offering will be accepted.

## connections



### Discover New Covenant

**THIS WEEKEND! Following each Worship Service — 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 Joyce Dunne at [jdunne@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:jdunne@newcovenantumc-fl.org).



### Connect Small Groups — Unshakable Hope Study

**Tuesdays, January 15–February 5 from 7-8:30 p.m. — Classroom 6/7**

There is still time to join this study if you are not currently in a small group. The new year offers you an opportunity to participate in a short-term group and learn more about what groups offer. The topic for our discussion will be *Unshakable Hope* from Pastor Harold's current sermon series. Come and connect with others as we further discover how we can transform our lives by building them on the promises of God.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Jenny Sweat at (352) 750-4529 or via email at [jsweat@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:jsweat@newcovenantumc-fl.org).



### New Member Class

**Monday, February 11, 2019 from 6–7:30 p.m. — Fellowship Center**

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. For more upcoming dates in 2019, please pick up a New Member brochure at the Welcome Center in the East Narthex.

To register for the next class, click the "Registrations" tab on our website, then click the "Browse Summerhill Open Registrations," and select "New Members." For more information, please contact Joyce Dunne at (352) 750-4529 or [jdunne@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:jdunne@newcovenantumc-fl.org).



### "A Time of Renewal" Spiritual Retreat

**Monday & Tuesday, February 25–26 — LEC in Fruitland Park**

Gary Cantrell will lead an overnight retreat at the Life Enrichment Center in Fruitland Park. The retreat is open to all women, men, couples, and singles. You will be able to register online at a kiosk in the East Narthex beginning Saturday, January 19. More information will be available soon!

#### Cost

- Commuter: \$49/person or \$98/couple (includes materials and meals)
- Sharing a room: \$88/person or \$176/couple (includes overnight accommodations, materials and meals)
- Single room: \$99/person (includes a room by yourself, materials and meals)



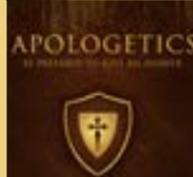
### Early Risers Sunday School Bus Trip

**September 29 – October 5, 2019**

Gary Cantrell's Early Risers Sunday School class is sponsoring a bus trip to the Sight & Sound theater in Lancaster, PA to see the production of "Jesus." You will also be able to enjoy the many other Lancaster, PA attractions.

For more information, please contact Dale & Virginia Newland at [dnewland101@comcast.net](mailto:dnewland101@comcast.net) or (352) 751-4283.

## DISCIPLESHIP BIBLE STUDIES



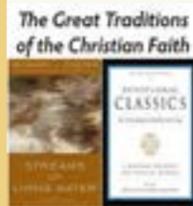
### Apologetics — NEW Sunday Christian Education Class

**Begins this Week at 10:30 a.m. — Classroom 6/7**

*Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have (1 Peter 3:15).*

Learn WHY you believe and HOW to share your faith with others! Explore the evidence for God, answers to Darwinism, why we can trust the Bible, historical and prophetic evidence for the Resurrection, and more.

Rev. Lynn Savron, Ph.D. is a seasonal resident from Ohio who winters with her husband, John, in the Village of Rio Ponderosa. She received her degrees from Springs of Life Bible College/Shalom Seminary in Ohio, where she has taught one course annually since 2002. She has been involved in jail/prison ministry in Florida and Ohio, served on retreat teams, such as REC, Kairos, and Koinonia, and has led numerous Small Group Bible Studies. There is no cost or sign-up/registration for this class.



### Great Traditions of the Christian Faith

**Fridays, January 25 – March 15, from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.**

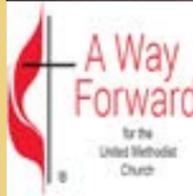
Experience an eight-week journey and conversation with Jesus and the saints of the Christian faith, from the New Testament to the present! This will be an intense, rewarding journey which will inspire you to a more mature, balanced faith. Rev. Ken Pyles will teach this class. The cost is \$28 which includes two books.

#### Register This Weekend

You can register this weekend at a kiosk in the East Narthex, or you may register on our website. Go to our website ([www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://www.newcovenantumc-fl.org)); Click the "Registrations" tab at the top of the page; select the "Browse Summerhill Open Registrations" button; click "Great Traditions of the Christian Faith;" and follow the prompts to register and pay.

If you have any questions, please contact Jenny Sweat at [jsweat@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:jsweat@newcovenantumc-fl.org) or call (352) 750-4529.

## TidBits



### Town Hall Meeting

**Wednesday, January 23 from 10–11 a.m. — Fellowship Center**

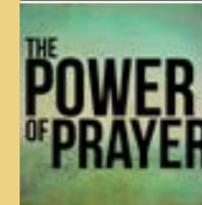
As you may know, at the 2016 General Conference there was great debate over two crucial points: allowing clergy the freedom to officiate at "Same Sex" unions, and allowing "self-avowed practicing" gay clergy to be ordained in the United Methodist church.

During the General Conference, the delegates did not vote on these amendments. Instead, the delegation asked for a group of people representing the diversity of our denomination to be assembled in order to discuss these points. The group of commission individuals was asked to propose "A Way Forward." To facilitate discussions about preparing for the Way Forward and understanding the differing perspectives regarding human sexuality, a diverse Florida Conference team of clergy and laity created a structured, conversational experience called "Point of View" (POV). It was designed to equip participants to grow in empathy, have a broader understanding of different points of view and to create generative dialogue around challenging conversations. POV was developed by a cross-section of leaders across a theological spectrum and has been used as a resource in other conferences. In October, the New Covenant Leadership Team was invited to attend the training and received valuable information from Bishop Carter's Assistant, Reverend Alex Shanks.

To answer questions that our congregation may have, Reverend Shanks will host a Town Hall Meeting. We ask that you pre-submit any questions you may have by sending them to the church email at [ncumc@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:ncumc@newcovenantumc-fl.org). You may also submit questions using a card available at the Welcome Center in the East Narthex or the kiosk in the West Narthex. Please leave your card in the basket provided. The questions will be compiled for Reverend Shanks to address at the meeting.

Please submit all questions by Tuesday, January 15.

## Congregational Care



### "Praying Aloud Workshop" by Pastor Marilyn Anell

**Wednesday, January 16 from 10 a.m.–12 p.m. — Chapel**

Do you ever find yourself in the position of wanting or needing to pray for someone while amongst others, but find it makes you uncomfortable? Maybe you have quietly squeezed the hand of someone next to you in a prayer circle because you can't imagine praying out loud! Good news!

The Congregational Care Office is very happy to announce our Praying Aloud Workshop, led by the amazing Pastor Marilyn Anell. No registration is necessary. Come ready to find a new confidence and ability to pray aloud as the need arises! It will enhance your ministry.

For more information, contact the Congregational Care office.



### Ready to Care for You!

Our newly-commissioned Congregational Care Ministers are now available to walk beside you in any and all needs. Whether you need a hospital visit or you or a loved one are in a facility, CCMs are ready to serve. Perhaps you need someone to just pray with you. We really want to be the hands, feet, and voice of Jesus here at New Covenant.

We are also blessed by being able to provide a Stephen Minister, who is prepared to walk alongside anyone who requests a long-term, one-on-one care provider to walk with them through any need for which you would like support. You can let us know your needs by filling out a prayer card, calling the Congregational Care Office, or sending us an email. You can also simply speak to a CCM or a Stephen Minister, who you can identify by their name tag.

For more information, contact the Congregational Care office.



### Sudden in Charge: A Survivor Notebook Workshop

**Wednesdays, February 6, 13, 20 from 2-4 p.m. — Fellowship Center**

What if something happened to you, and your loved ones did not know how to find out important information for decision making and future stability? Would your spouse or children know how to find your important documents?

*Sudden in Charge: A Survivor Notebook Workshop* is being jointly presented by the Congregational Care and Discipleship Ministries.

This special workshop will be held on three consecutive weeks, and will be led by Cindy Richards. Each participant will receive their own notebook to work through pulling together important information and data for your specific household. There is a maximum enrollment of 25 participants.

For more information or to register, please call the Congregational Care office at (352) 750-4529.



### The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for: Jill Colon who has chronic complications of Lyme's disease; and Tracy Culp who has an unusual form of breast cancer. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

### Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...

Sharon Pederson, family and friends on the passing of her husband Floyd; Tom Parks, family and friends on the passing of his wife Jean; and Marty Boswell, family and friends on the passing of her nephew Steve Fisher.

*For dates and locations of memorial services, please check our website: [www.newcovenantumc-fl.org](http://www.newcovenantumc-fl.org).*

### New Concerns

Buddy Acton, David Brown, Tracy Culp, Judy DiBernardo, Evelyn Duncan, Ellen Elwell, Susan Gandhi, Bill & Yvonne Hogan, Jeffrey Hosilyk, June Hubbard, Jerry Meinert, Michael, Pat & Vern Phillips, Robert Rixford, Kalla Rucher, Pam Russum, Phyllis Shirey, Dr. Vivian Woodard

# 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).

Pick up a NEW "2019 Winter Concert and Events" brochure at the Ticket Kiosk in the West Narthex or the Welcome Center in the East Narthex.



## University of Southern Mississippi Snowbird Tour

*Thursday, January 17 at 10 a.m. — Christian Life Center*

The Southern Chorale, the premier vocal ensemble at The University of Southern Mississippi, has a long history of excellence. Membership consists primarily of junior and senior voice majors and graduate students in voice and conducting.

The School of Music at Southern Miss is the most comprehensive music program in Mississippi and prides itself in its outstanding performing ensembles. The Southern Chorale has been chosen to appear by blind audition at twelve different conventions over the past thirteen years under the direction of Gregory Fuller, including two national conventions and two regional conventions. In addition to being active in the Gulf Coast Region, under Fuller, the Chorale has toured Romania, Hungary, England, Austria, The Czech Republic, Mexico, Jamaica, Sweden, and Norway.

**Spirit of Southern & The Southern BelleTones** are The University of Southern Mississippi's two a cappella ensembles. These students are both music majors and non-majors and they perform a wide range of music, from a cappella classics to modern pop favorites.

*FREE CONCERT (No Admission Fee)*



## Women's Ministry January Gathering

PLEASE NOTE: If you purchased a ticket(s) for the January Gathering and realize you or someone you have invited cannot attend, please email Jenny Sweat at [jsweat@newcovenantumc-fl.org](mailto:jsweat@newcovenantumc-fl.org) or call the Church Office as soon as possible and let the Receptionist know how many tickets you have available for someone else to use.

We will not be issuing refunds, but we do greatly appreciate your willingness to share your tickets so as many women as possible can attend. Thank you!



## The Good Stuff Festival

*Saturday, January 26 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. — East Parking Lot*

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

*FREE (No Admission Fee)*



## The Villages Wind Ensemble

*Sunday, January 27 at 6 p.m. — Fellowship Center*

The Villages Wind Ensemble in concert, with a portion of the proceeds benefiting the Wildwood Food Pantry.

*Tickets: \$15*



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## Helping Hands All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast

*Saturday, February 9 from 7:30–10 a.m. — Fellowship Center*

The annual pancake breakfast tickets are available this weekend at the Ticket Kiosk in the West Narthex between Worship Services and on our website (credit card fees will apply).

**Tickets: \$7 per person**

Net proceeds will benefit Helping Hands projects.



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## Toast of Tampa Show Chorus & Heralds of Harmony

*Sunday, February 10, 2019 at 5 p.m. — Christian Life Center*

Returning to our Winter Concert series, welcome back these two outstanding show choirs. Toast of Tampa Show Chorus is a dynamic, internationally-ranked chapter of Sweet Adelines International, one of the world's largest independent singing organizations for women.

The chorus of 90-plus women of all ages, from all over Florida, performs popular music in four-part a cappella harmony, in the barbershop style. Under the direction of Tony DeRosa, the chorus placed 4th in Sweet Adelines's 2017 International competition, and won the 2018 Coastal Harmony competition, qualifying for Sweet Adelines's September 2019 competition in New Orleans, LA. Performance, membership, and more information available at [www.toastoftampa.org](http://www.toastoftampa.org).

Guest performer, the Heralds of Harmony chorus from Tampa, and also under the direction of Tony DeRosa, represents the Barbershop Harmony Society's Sunshine District in international competition July 2019 in Salt Lake City, UT.

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

Tickets are available at The Villages Box Offices.

A portion of the net proceeds supports the Summerhill Women's Ministry.



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## The Villages High School Wind Ensemble and The Concert Band of The Villages

*Tuesday, February 12 at 7 p.m. — Christian Life Center*

A joint venture with the Villages High School Wind Ensemble under the direction of Linda Quinn and The Villages Concert Band under the direction of Jean Butler are sure to delight you as the groups perform individually and also combine forces for a rousing concert. 'Love is in the Air' as young — and not so young — members share the stage.

**Tickets: \$10**

Tickets will also be available at The Villages Box Office locations beginning January 17.



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## Laura Story in Concert

*February 15 & 16, 2019 — Lake Deaton Christian Life Center*

Join us at our Lake Deaton campus in our PREMIER concert event featuring Laura Story who is best known for her number one hit song, *Blessings*.

Attend her concert Friday night and/or enjoy "Conversation with Laura" on Saturday morning. Individual event or package tickets will be available.

Laura Story has built a life — and a career — around submission to her calling. She's led worship at Atlanta's Perimeter Church for the past 12 years. In addition to penning songs recorded by artists like Chris Tomlin, Laura has found success as a recording artist in her own right. Since the release of her solo debut in 2008, Story has amassed a GRAMMY® Award, a Billboard Music Award, multiple GMA Dove Awards, and an RIAA Gold certification for her massive number one hit song, *Blessings*. In addition, she's also the author of two books, including the latest, *When God Doesn't Fix It — Lessons You Never Wanted to Learn, Truths You Can't Live Without*.

**\$35: Concert and Conversation with Laura**

**\$25: Concert ONLY (Friday at 7 p.m.)**

**\$25: Conversation ONLY with Laura (Saturday at 9 a.m.)**