

# Weekly Word

*New Covenant United Methodist Church*

## MESSAGE IN A MINUTE



### *Spiritual Reflection*

“But the dreams told him this much: he would have a place of prominence in the midst of his family. Joseph latched on to this dream for the life jacket it was. How else do we explain his survival? The Bible says nothing about his training, education, superior skills, or talents. But the narrator made a lead story out of Joseph's destiny.”

**MAX LUCADO**

## DIGITAL MINISTRY

During the pandemic, we have expanded our Digital Ministry, especially our Virtual Worship experience. With the help of our worship team, we have been able to bring New Covenant into your home.

Another way to get connected virtually is through our many virtual devotions, bible studies, and small groups. Over the past year, we have been able to study with other pastors - from author Don Piper to Pastor Harold's mentor, Dr. Bill Barnes. We encourage you to go to our website to view the many discipleship options.

Also, we encourage you to follow us on Facebook and YouTube to stay up to date on what is going on in the life of our church. We post new videos, bible studies, devotions, and much more on both our social media channels. You are able to go straight to our pages through our website. Look for the social media icons on our homepage (see picture above).

Please click the title to explore our website!





## VOLUNTEERS

April 18-24 is National Volunteer Week. This week gives us the opportunity to recognize the impact of New Covenant's volunteers who contribute greatly to local, regional and global communities. We are grateful for their service and commitment as well as the impact they have on individuals and families. These ministries provide an opportunity for New Covenant's volunteers to show love by being the hands, feet and voice of Jesus Christ. Click the title to get involved!



## NEW MEMBER CLASS

We are offering a virtual New Member class. This class will be an overview of our history and an information session on the programs of our church. Each person that registers will get a packet of information sent to them via email or regular mail. It will include a video to watch, a short list of questions to answer, and a registration form to complete. The class can be done at the participant's leisure. Click the title for more information!





## STUDY QUESTIONS

Pastor Harold began his new sermon series, "We Will Get Through This - Hope & Help for Our Turbulent Times," based on Max Lucado's book with the similar name. Please join us for this sermon series as Pastor Harold helps us understand that with God's help, we will all make it through. Study questions will be available every Monday on the church website under the "Virtual Worship" page. If you are interested in following the sermon series with a Connect Small Group, please contact Roberta Hays by clicking the title above.

## STEWARDSHIP

### **Why Give?**

The generosity with which we express our response to God's grace entails everything we are and everything we have - our mental, emotional, and spiritual assets, as well as the physical. We dare not miss the point that the Lord is especially concerned about the way we use our material wealth.

In Randy Alcorn's book, "The Treasure Principle," he points out that 15 percent of everything Christ ever said relates to the topic of money and possessions - "more than His teachings on heaven and hell combined."

**-Charles Stuart, Chair, Finance Committee**







## WELCOME BRAD!

To expand our vision of a virtual church, we have hired a new team member, Brad Collins. Brad began his work in church during highschool and most recently joined us from Trinity United Methodist in Gainesville. He will be our Director of Digital & Communications, overseeing our communications team. Brad will help lead us to continue to be innovative and connective through digital ministry. Please welcome, Brad!



## WELCOME LINDA!

We are welcoming Linda Stubits to our staff. As our new Manager of Finance, Linda will be overseeing our Finance team. With years of finance experience and a heart for church, we are excited to welcome Linda to the New Covenant family. Please welcome her when you see her on campus!



## ALTAR FLOWERS

**Tom Ledger**

In loving memory of wife, Linda,  
on the third anniversary of her passing

A special thank you to those providing Altar flowers.  
Click the title if you would like to provide an arrangement.

*Welcome*

## NEW MEMBERS

Stephen and Freida Burt

Pete and Darlene Capo

Neal and Debbie Teachman

Dan and Kathy Tarshus



## Congregational Care

*Please click the title to access Care.*



## ALZHEIMER SUPPORT GROUPS

Are you struggling because a loved one has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's or another form of dementia? Join one of our Alzheimer Support Groups meeting every **Thursday at 10:00 a.m.** by teleconferencing and on Zoom. For more information or if you would like to participate, call the Care Office at (352) 750-4529.



Weekly Prayer  
Concerns

Prayer  
Request

Quilt  
Request

## NEW CONCERNS



Trevor Buber

Rita Fleming

Bud Fussell

Melinda Hay

Diane Johnson

Shirley Kinley

Joyce Leahy

Warner Nelson

Doreen Schena

Cammie Sizemore

Welsh Family

## OUR LOVE & SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO...

Gail Burns on the passing  
of husband, Dennis Burns.

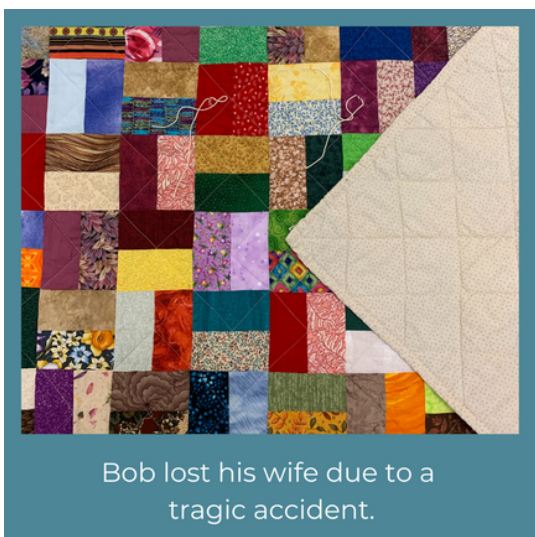
Dan Hirnikel on the passing  
of wife, Gail Hirnikel.

Lynn Spivey on the passing  
of husband, Arthur Doug Spivey.



[Click here to view Celebrations of Life.](#)

**Your prayers are requested for our virtual prayer quilts. If you have Facebook, please click on each quilt, pray, and then “like” the picture to symbolize the tying of a knot. Knots will be physically tied by staff as a tangible representation of all the prayers and love offered on behalf of those in need. Even if you do not have Facebook, you can still pray for those receiving the quilts.**



**Viewing for Weekend Services from Holy Week 2021  
total 4,545**

<b>VIRTUAL</b>	<b>Easter Worship 2,489   Holy Thur 255   Good Fri 290</b>
<b>IN-PERSON</b>	<b>Sat 5PM 240   Sun 9AM 250   Sun 11AM 284   Sun 9:30AM 130   Sun 11:30AM 92   Sunrise 230   Holy Thur 132   Good Fri 123   Orchard 30</b>

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