



Spirital Reflection

"To my mind the most poignant mystical exhortation ever written is 'Be still and know that I am God."

ARNOLD BENNETT - JOURNALS

We invite you to check out New Covenant's podcast, where you can listen to the audio version of Pastor Harold's sermons on your smartphone wherever, whenever. Additional content is coming soon, so make sure to "Subscribe" so you don't miss an episode!

Podcast



SUMMER OF FUN!

Summer 2021 is here! We are very excited to welcome our children back to New Covenant for all our fun Summer Camps. All summer camps are listed below:

- Basketball Camp: June 14 18
- Vacation Bible School: June 28 July 2
- TKC Camp: July 26 30

To register children or grandchildren for camps, please click the title and scroll to Summer Programs/Events.



We will be right on track with Jesus as Vacation Bible School returns - we need awesome volunteers! Please contact Kayla DeSimone, Family Minister, to sign-up to volunteer with VBS by clicking the button below.

Volunteer!

Below are the key announcements for the week!



MISSIONS

New Covenant members are passionate about serving others and making a difference in the world through Missions and Outreach. There are many opportunities to serve in the tri-county area (Sumter, Lake and Marion counties). The video clips on the Missions webpage, featuring the Missions and Outreach ministry leaders and community partners, give you a brief overview of the many ways you can bless others by being the hands, feet, and voice of Jesus Christ in the community. We encourage you to contact them and get involved!

BACKPACKS4KIDS

Each year our Backpacks4Kids concert helps provide backpacks for Wildwood Middle High School and Wildwood Elementary School. The first of the five concerts we're hosting this year was a success. To attend any of the remaining dates, please click the title to find out more about each concert and purchase your tickets. You can also buy tickets at the door.





<u>SUNRISE</u> WITH THE GUYS

Please join the Men's Ministry on **Tuesday**, **June 15 from 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.** for coffee, a boxed breakfast, warm fellowship, and an enticing speaker in the Fellowship Center. Registration is \$10 and is required for breakfast. Breakfast is a sausage, egg, and cheese croissant with cheesy hashed potato bake, fluffy biscuit, and a fresh fruit cup. Click the title to register!

STEWARDSHIP

Stimulus Money Idea

By this time most of us have received the latest installment of stimulus payment from the government. Many Villagers are saying "I didn't need the money. It needed to go to someone who really needed it, someone who has been laid off or is behind on their rent because the business they worked for closed or a multitude of other needs."

If you are interested in helping someone in immediate need and not sure who that might be, Pastor Harold has set up a separate fund using stimulus money donated by church members just for that purpose. The funds are handled very carefully with good stewardship in mind.

If you wish to donate to that fund, simply write a check for the amount of your donation and indicate "COVID-19 Fund" in the Memo line.

-Charles Stuart, Chair, Finance Committee





IN-PERSON NEW MEMBERS CLASS

In September, we will be offering our class for New Members in person again! Registration is required for this class taking place in the Fellowship Center. Please join us as Pastor Harold, Pastor Ellen, and our church directors give you a brief overview of the United Methodist Church. Did you know there were three types of membership we offer at New Covenant? Please click the title to find out more about our in-person and virtual New Member Classes.

ENCOURAGEMENT NOTES

Our high school youth are looking forward to their upcoming mission trip serving the homeless population of Atlanta, GA! To encourage the youth and adult trip leaders throughout their week, we would like to invite our congregation to write notes of encouragement to members of this year's mission team. Please see Virginia Davis, our Discipleship Ministry Assistant, to pick up blank note cards and sign up to write notes of encouragement. Please return Encouragement Notes to Virginia Davis by July 5.



COLLEGE CONNECTION

We are so proud of our 2021 High School Graduates and would love to keep them connected to New Covenant as they begin the next chapter of their lives! The College Connection ministry aims to connect graduates with mentors from the church who can encourage and guide them as they embark on their college journeys. If you're interested in becoming a College Connection mentor and would like more information, please contact Kayla DeSimone, Family Minister, by clicking the title.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Gene Murray

Celebrating Anniversary with Mary Alice Bishop Murray

Paul & Judy Hilderbrand In Memory of sister Connie Calder on her May 31st Birthday

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



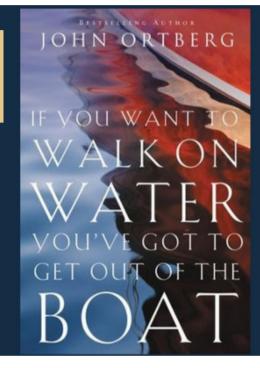
B&B TRUCK

AT NEW COVENANT UMC THE FIRST WEEKEND OF THE MONTH, JUNE 5 & 6



WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP

Women, this summer, let's learn to walk on water! Soul Sisters, a Women's Connect Small Group, is studying, "If You Want to Walk on Water, You Have to Get out of the Boat" by John Ortberg. You are invited to join them as they meet beginning **June 14** on the 2nd Monday of each month from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. in Classroom 6 & 7. For more information, please contact Marcy Bone by clicking the title.





THE SMOKIES & BILTMORE HOUSE

This bus trip was originally scheduled last year but has been rescheduled to **November 14 - 20, 2021**. There is still space available. The trip is open to those that attend New Covenant as well as to those outside of the church. For more information, please click the title.

HANDY FELLOWS

Handy Fellows is a group of volunteers who supply free manpower to do minor home jobs for the elderly, singles, and those with physical limitations. Jobs need to be small projects that improve the wellbeing, safety, or health of the recipients. If you are handy and looking to use your skills to help others in need, or if you need help, please contact the Care office at (352) 750-4529.



Weekly Prayer Concerns

Prayer Request

Quilt Request

NEW CONCERNS



Robert Dodds	Barb Townsend
Julie Baumgarten Esias	Lynn Van Veelen
Family of Madison Karg	Karen Watts
Barbara Ruot	Chris Wile
Merritt Spungnaugle	

OUR LOVE & SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO...

Family & friends on the passing of **Evelyn Dunca**



Click here to view Celebrations of Life.

Your prayers are requested for these prayer quilts. Please click on the 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. Share the post for your friends and family to pray as well!



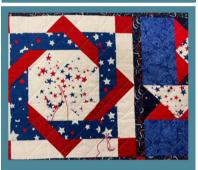
Becki is suffering from diabetes, melanoma, & cervical cancer.



John fell off his bike and is suffering a broken pelvis.



Billy fell and is suffering a broken hip.



Don is recovering from a serious urinary and hernia surgery.



Lance, a young boy, suffering with seizures.



Joan just lost her husband after a long siege with Parkinson's disease.

Viewing for Weekend Services from May 22 & 23 total **2,281**



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