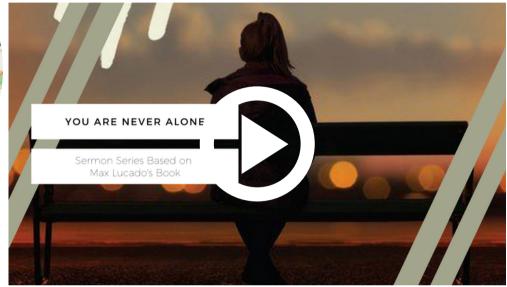




### **MESSAGE IN A MINUTE**



### Spirital Reflection

"...in a very real sense it is true that miracles happen when our will and God's power co-operate to make them possible.... A true miracle is when we conquer what for long has conquered us."

#### **WILLIAM BARCLAY**

**Week 3 Study Questions** 

Registration is live Thursdays at noon until Saturdays at noon.

Saturday @ 5PM

Sunday @ 9AM

Sunday @ 11AM



# COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY

New Covenant has been the proud host of Community Bible Study for our area for over 12 years. Community Bible Study, or CBS, is a worldwide study that teaches navigating life and learning together.

With the pandemic, CBS has continued to lead study via ZOOM, for close to 200 participants in our area. When it is safe to return to campus, CBS will once again be hosted at New Covenant on Monday afternoons. CBS is a co-ed, nondenominational study. Click the title for more information.





# Announcements for the week!



An evening of great gospel music featuring The Down East Boys, The Hyssongs, and Great Day. Join us for an evening of gospel music featuring traditional quartets, family harmonies, and gifted instrumentalists. The concert is free to attend with a love offering for the artists. Masks and registration are required. Click the title to register and find out more about the artists!

### **SACRED TRILOGY**

Watch Sacred Trilogy every Wednesday! Sacred Prayer, Sacred Songs, and Sacred Stories were all new yesterday. Click the title to watch.





### CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT

Your 2020 Contribution Statement is being finalized and will be sent via email or mail by the end of the month. We hope you take the time to read the stewardship letter from Pastor Harold along with an Impact Report for 2020 sharing how your giving has impacted our community! If you have not received your statement by January 31, please call the Finance Office at (352) 750-4529. Please click the title to watch Charles Stuart, Finance Chair, reflect on our 2020 Finances.

## Thank you for your generosity in blessing so many this Christmas season. You provided:

- 641 SHOEBOXES AND \$2,054 FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD
- \$6,420 FOR THE WILDWOOD FOOD PANTRY FALL FOOD DRIVE
- 360,602 POUNDS OF FOOD FOR THE WILDWOOD FOOD PANTRY, WHICH SERVED
- 8,928 FAMILIES/24,328 PEOPLE
- \$22,305 IN DONATIONS AND \$3,765 IN GIFT CARDS FOR CHRISTMAS WISH TREE,
  SUPPORTING 280 CHILDREN
- \$13,006 FOR STAFF LOVE OFFERING
- \$7,170 FOR THE MENTEE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
- \$51,246.46 FOR GIVING IN THE SPIRIT, SUPPORTING 24 VARIOUS MINISTRIES
- \$9,630 TO SUPPORT THE WILDWOOD FOOD PANTRY, WILDWOOD SOUP KITCHEN AND BEDS AND BLANKETS THROUGH THE CHRISTMAS DRIVE-THROUGH EXPERIENCE

### **STEWARDSHIP**

#### Where is your Heart?

Last weekend, by video, I asked "Where is your heart?" The question coming from Matt. 6:21 "For where your heart is, your treasure will be also." I do hope you gave some thought to that question.

I also suggested that you prayerfully consider your plan for giving to New Covenant during 2021. If we don't plan or set goals we don't know where we are going. I hope you wrote it down and with God's help will work to keep this special New Year's resolution.



Here is suggested wording to use: "In 2021, I/we will support New Covenant UMC with our prayers, presence, gifts, service, witness, and a financial gift to the 2021 operating budget. My financial gift for 2021 will be \$\_\_\_\_\_\_."

-Charles Stuart, Chair, Finance Committee





### WOMEN'S GATHERING REMINDER

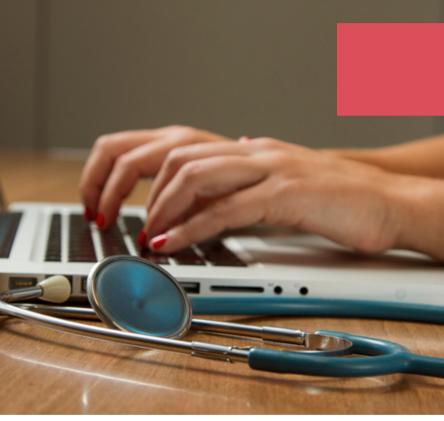
The Women's Ministry of New Covenant is asking that you save or collect new or gently used shoes for our shoe drive on **February 18 from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.**Shoes will go to families in need, and be collected at this drive-through event.

### VIRTUAL NEW MEMBER CLASS

This online class will allow you to enroll as new member while we are unable to meet in large groups. Each registrant will receive a video to watch, a short list of questions to answer, and a form to complete. The class can be done at the participant's leisure. Once you have completed the course, we will invite you to join on a designated Sunday to be welcomed by our congregation. Click the title for more information!







### H.E.L.P.

Helping Elders Locate Providers
Sometimes getting connected to the right organization can seem overwhelming. For this reason, we have researched several organizations that may be helpful when you need to locate services such as Community,
Government, Senior and Transportation Services. Substance Abuse/Recovery,
Support Groups, and Medical Centers.
Click the title to view the H.E.L.P.
ministry page on our church website under the 'Resources' tab.

Weekly Prayer Concerns Prayer Request Quilt Request

NEW CONCERNS

Debby Lowe

Colleen Marchese

Robin Alderson

Marta

Amanda

Laurie & Harry Parham

Vic & Marilyn Beaumont

Mike Patterson

Family of Fred Buckendorff

Vern Phillips

Jo Bugala

Gail Pixley

John Fleming

Joan Potalivo

**Bonnie Fisher** 

**Crystal Regals** 

Tommy Gilley

Cathy Toy

**Henry Goldberg** 

Pete Thelen

Pat Howard

**Barb & Ernie Trowbridge** 

Joey

**Vivian Turner** 

Diane Johnson

Van Leer family

Ray Kind

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

Family and friends on the passing of Fred Buckendorff.

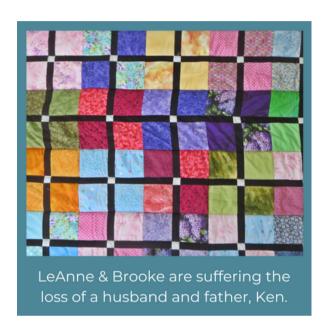
Family and friends on the passing of Virginia "Joan" Kelso.

Sandy, family and friends on the passing of Eric Puryear.



Click here to access Celebration of Life services.

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 January 2 & 3 total **2,423** 

 VIRTUAL
 Worship 1,890

 IN-PERSON
 Sat 5PM 121 | Sun 9AM 210 | Sun 11AM 188 | Youth 14

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