# ALTAR FLOWERS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED BY...

Jim & Ann Heilbron in memory of their son Bretton on his 45th birthday, and Beverly Ludwig and Shelly Maifarth in memory of Herbert Ludwig, husband and father.





### Yoga Classes Return This Week!

Beginning Wednesday, February 6 and Monday, February 11

Yoga will resume at both campuses the first week of February. Summerhill will host classes on Wednesdays, beginning February 6, and Lake Deaton will host classes on Mondays, beginning February 11. Intermediate classes are at 4 p.m. and Beginner classes are at 5 p.m. at both campuses.

We encourage you to attend classes at either — or both — of our New Covenant campuses! There is a suggested \$3 donation per class that supports our Congregational Health ministry.

For more information, please contact Kayla DeSimone at kdesimone@newcovenantumc-fl.org (Summerhill campus) or Karen Hughes at twofortydesign@hotmail.com (Lake Deaton campus).



#### **Tri-County Emmaus Gathering**

Thursday, February 21 at 6:30 p.m. — Hope Lutheran Church

Please join us for our next gathering, which includes a covered dish dinner. Please take a salad, vegetable, or main dish that will serve at least 12 people. We will have Holy Communion, lots of singing, and a Fourth Day speaker.

Hope Lutheran Church is located at 250 Avenida Los Angelos in The Villages. The church is on the northeast corner of Morse Boulevard and CR 466 north of Lake Sumter Landing. The dinner will be in the Fellowship Hall.

#### 2019 Emmaus Weekends

- Men's Walks: March 7-10; October 3-6
- Women's Walks: March 14-17: October 10-13

Emmaus Walks are held at the Warren Willis United Methodist Camp in Fruitland Park. For more information about the walks, please go to www.aldersgateemmaus.org/emmaus/weekend.

For more information about the upcoming Emmaus Gathering or Emmaus Walk Weekends, please contact Nancy Casto at nancasto@gmail.com or 352-633-3288.



# North Central District Lay Servants Training Event

Saturday, March 9 from 8 a.m.–5:30 p.m. — First UMC

A Lay Servant is: An active, supportive member of a United Methodist Church eager to serve through the church; well informed on Scripture; and on the doctrine, heritage, and organization of the United Methodist Church. Basic and Advance Courses are \$40 (Course, Books & Meals are included).

For more information or to register, please call Jo Jones in the Church Office at (352) 750-4529.

FUMC of Spring Hill is located at 9344 Spring Hill Drive, Spring Hill, Florida, 34608.



#### Calling All Volunteers!

If you have a background in the performing arts, kids' chorus, or drama — and have experience working with children — join our PeAr team.

For more information, please contact Kayla DeSimone, Family Minister, at kdesimone@newcovenantumc-fl.org for more information.



#### Did You Know...

The United Methodist Church has a social creed? To review it, go to http:// www.umc.org/what-we-believe/our-social-creed.

# YOUR SCRIPTURE FOR THIS WEEK

Hebrews 8:11

God's Promise From Scripture: "They will all know me."

"I Will ... I believe that Jesus was fully human and fully divine. Because I believe this. I will come to Jesus as my high priest. the one who is able and willing to help me. I will find comfort in Jesus, who fully understands every desire, pain, and need that I have." -Max Lucado

#### **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 The Armor of God Classroom 2 9:15 a.m. **Pathfinders** The Epistle of James — Proverbs of the New Testament Classroom 11 9:15 a.m. Faith Finders Hebrews: Linking the Old and New Testaments Classrooms 6/7 ANEW 9:15 a.m. Our Love for God Chapel Classroom 6/7 10:30 a.m. Apologetics Learn How to Share Your Faith with Others 10:30 a.m. Spirited Singles Book of Acts Classroom 3 FaithLink 10:30 a.m. Classroom 14 Exploring Space 10:30 a.m. Hebrews: Linking the Old and New Testaments Chapel The Searchers 10:45 a.m. | Wesley Class The Epistle of James — Proverbs of the New Testament Classroom 11

REMINDER: Please take your weekly newsletter 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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5. 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 UMC, SUMMERHILL CAMPUS WE REGULARLY UPDATE OUR FACEBOOK PAGE WITH PHOTOS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND EVENTS.

LAKE DEATON PHYSICAL ADDRESS: 6500 WESLEYAN WAY (COUNTY ROAD 143), THE VILLAGES

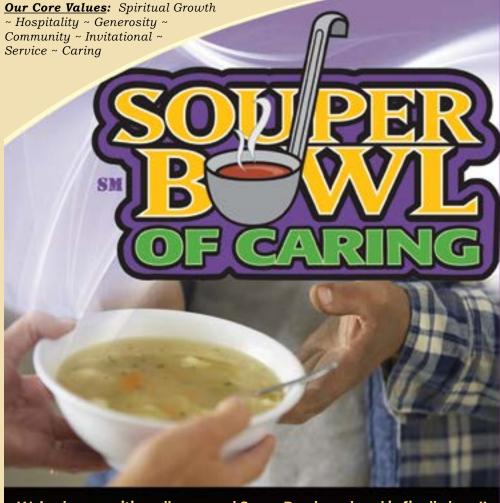
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# SUMMERHILL CAMPUS



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.



FEBRUARY 2 & 3, 2019

Rev. Harold Hendren, Senior Pastor

Rev. Jim Divine, Lake Deaton Pastor

Rev. Kristyne Young, Lake Deaton

Rev. Marilyn Anell, Visitation Pastor

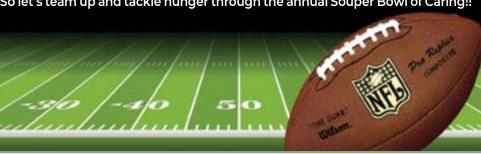
Discipleship Pastor

#### We've been waiting all year, and Super Bowl weekend is finally here!!

Even though each of us may not be cheering for the same team to win, we all have a chance to come together for a great cause. Please join our team and donate towards this year's "Souper" Bowl of Caring! This Christ-centered organization joins youth and communities together to help tackle hunger locally.

The funds raised from this weekend-long event will benefit the Wildwood Soup Kitchen. Students from New Covenant's Youth Ministry are collecting donations at the doors of both Summerhill and Lake Deaton campuses, before and after weekend Worship Services.

So let's team up and tackle hunger through the annual Souper Bowl of Caring!!







#### **Communion Sunday**

Christ our Lord invites to His table all who love Him, who earnestly repent of their sins, and seek to live in peace with one another.

Communion is offered the first Sunday of each month. Everyone is welcome! We serve by intinction and offer gluten-free bread and individual cups at stations located at the FRONT and BACK center serving sections.

Anyone who would like to be served in their seat, please share your request with the usher.



#### **Altar Flowers**

Flowers may be placed on the altar in honor or memory of loved ones. Each bouquet is \$50. **As a reminder:** if you wish to pick up your arrangement, please leave the flowers on the altar until the conclusion of the 10:45 Worship Service so all worshipers may enjoy their beauty. Vases must be returned to the church by noon on the following Wednesday.



#### Guest Speaker Leonard Sweet Coming to New Covenant Sunday, February 10 during Sunday Worship Services — LD CLC

Rev. Leonard Sweet is a scholar of US American culture — a semiotician who "sees things the rest of us do not see, and dreams possibilities that are beyond most of our imagining." He is a preacher and best-selling author who communicates the gospel with a signature bridging of the worlds of faith, academe, and popular culture.

Rev. Sweet is a popular and highly sought-after speaker throughout North America and around the world. He will share his message at all the Sunday morning Services at Lake Deaton.

# connections



#### **Discover New Covenant**

Saturday, February 9 and Sunday, February 10 following Worship Services — 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 (352) 750-4529 or <u>jdunne@new-covenantumc-fl.org</u>.



#### **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." Registration is also available this weekend at the Welcome Center. For more information, please contact Joyce Dunne at (352) 750-4529 or jdunne@newcovenantumc-fl.org.



## **CONTRACT** New Connect Small Groups are Forming!

Connect in a Small Group today! New groups are currently forming for men, women, and couples. Connect with a group today! Small Groups focus on growing their relationship with God through Christ-centered studies, and enjoy connecting in a caring, confidential environment where they also have the opportunity to be the hands, feet, and voice of Jesus Christ to others.

#### Love God! Love Others! Together IS Better!

For more information, please contact Jenny Sweat at <u>isweat@newcovenantumc-fl.org</u> or 750-4529.





#### "A Time of Renewal" Spiritual Retreat

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

You will not want to miss this amazing retreat as Gary Cantrell leads you through sessions of spiritual reflection and renewal, spending time in God's word and prayer.

Whether you commute or stay overnight, you will have time to relax, renew your spirit and strengthen your walk with the Lord. The retreat at the Life Enrichment Center in Fruitland Park is open to all women, men, couples, and singles.

#### 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)

#### Register This Weekend

You can get more information about the retreat or 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). Click the "Registrations" tab at the top of the page, select the "Browse Summerhill Open Registrations" button, click "A Time of Renewal," and follow the prompts to register and pay.

If you have any questions, please contact Don Buckey at (919) 662-6360 or don.buckey19@gmail.com.

# Missions & Outreach



#### **Helping Hands Bargains & Blessings**

Bargains & Blessings needs volunteers at the Resale Shop as intake, pickup, delivery, and scheduling workers.

For information or to volunteer, please contact Sondra at (315) 427-3580 or bargainsandblessings@newcovenantumc-fl.org.



#### Wildwood Food Pantry

Help keep the supply of food stocked in our Wildwood Food Pantry. To help those affected by the government shut-down and re-opening, your donations will help to ensure that our mission to defeat hunger continues without interruption. You may drop off any nonperishable food items in the large "Food Pantry Collection Boxes" anytime the church is open.



### Giving in the Spirit Blessings

A huge thank you to all who participated in our "Giving in the Spirit" effort this Christmas season. This year your generosity sent just under \$60,000 to 21 different ministries.



#### **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:

- <u>Education</u>: 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 <a href="mailto:shawanna.felton@kidscentralinc.org">shawanna.felton@kidscentralinc.org</a>.

# Congregational Care



## CARE CARD CONSTRUCTION TO Take a Close Look at Our New "Care Card"

Our new "Care Card" has been given this name because, in addition to prayer, we offer other ways we may **care** for you. This includes information about requesting a Stephen Minister, a Congregational Care Minister (CCM), or Home Communion. "Care Cards" are available in the Attendance Pads during Worship Services, in the Congregational Care and Administration Offices, and at the Welcome Center in the East Narthex.

You may make your prayer requests on the "Care Card" — and we want you to know we do pray for your every concern! A CCM will contact you and ask if you would like them to pray with you. Our "Praying Together" team meets every Wednesday at 3:15 p.m. and prays over each prayer request.



#### Prime Time — Everyone is Invited!

Thursday, February 14 from 10 a.m.–12:30 p.m. — Fellowship Center

Prime Time will be having a spectacular program performed by the "Chinese Dance & Music Performing Group," a dance troop doing Asian Dancing depicting various dances throughout China and Korea.

Lunch is \$6 payable at the door. To make a reservation, please call the Congregational Care Office at (352) 750-4529 no later than noon on Monday, February 11.



# Congregational Health Education Speaker Series Monday, February 18 at 6 p.m. — Fellowship Center

We are excited to welcome Dr. Nitza Alvarez of Tri-County Heart Institute on the topic of "Prevent the Stent." We are so fortunate to have her join us for this informational event!

In March, we will host Dr. Gabe and Diana Mirkin to talk about healthy eating and living. These events are free and open to the public.



# Alzheimer's Family Support Walk

Saturday, March 9 beginning at 9 a.m. — The Villages Polo Field

As part of our Alzheimer's Ministry, we are supporting the Alzheimer's Family Organization Family Support Walk. Children 5 years old and under are free, 6–12 years old are \$10, and adults 13 and older are \$20. Teams of ten or more may also register at a cost of \$20 per person.

On Saturday and Sunday, February 9–10 and 16–17, volunteers will be at the kiosk in the East Narthex to provide information or to assist you in registering. The Villages Polo Field is located at 703 Buena Vista Blvd.



#### The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for: Cathy Van Benthuysen who is recovering from back surgery; Diane Granchi who has colon cancer; and Jeffery Beaver who has cancer and a lung infection. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

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

Roger Robertson, family and friends on the passing of his wife Barbara; Tommie Hayes, family and friends on the passing of her brother-in-law Calvin Keaton; and Jerry Spotts, family and friends on the passing of his wife Hazel.

For dates and locations of memorial services, please check our website: www.newcovenantumc-fl.org.

#### **New Concerns**

Hugh (Corky) Bryce, Holly Cowles, Jeffrey Curran, Debbie Divine, Trevor, Sarah & Griffon Fitzgerald, Diane Granchi, Daniel Gotesky, Holly Hallett, Doug Herman, Fred & Colleen Hutton, Ashley Ice, Danny Millsaps, Pat & Kat, Robin & Jerry Meinert, Pat & Ed Randolph, Janice Swartz, Dr. Vivian Woodard



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). Watch for our upcoming SPRING EVENTS BROCHURE, coming soon!



#### February Women's Gathering – Waiting List Available

Waiting List: If you would like to put your name on the Waiting List for a possible ticket to be available for the February Gathering, please call the church office at (352) 750-4529.

Have a Ticket but Cannot Attend: If you purchased a ticket(s) for the February Gathering and realize you or someone you have invited cannot attend, please call the Church Office as soon as possible and let the Receptionist know how many tickets you have available for someone else to use.

Thank you for your patience as we work through our growing pains and try different options to meet the demands of women wanting to attend the monthly gatherings.



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

Sat, February 9 from 7:30–10 a.m. — Summerhill 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.



# Toast of Tampa Show Chorus & Heralds of Harmony

Sun, February 10, 2019 at 5 p.m. — Summerhill 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 fourpart 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.

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.



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

Tuesday, February 12 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill 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 are also available at The Villages Box Office locations.



#### **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.)

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



#### "The Power of Love" Recital

Tuesday, February 19 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Fellowship Center

Join Austrian soprano, Meredith Hoffmann-Thomson and her Villages resident father, Paul Hoffmann, on the piano as they present classical arias by Berlioz, Strauss, Mozart, Dvorak, Puccini, and songs from the operettas and musicals, such as: *The Merry Widow, West Side Story, The Music Man, She Loves Me*, and *Show Boat*.

At-door Suggested Donation: \$10



#### **Seeds of Hope Concert**

Friday, February 22 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center

Our very own Angie Rose, mezzo soprano and Mark Steven Schmidt, tenor will be joined by The Villages favorite Billie Thatcher in this annual concert.

Your donation of cash or nonperishable food items support the Wildwood Food Pantry and the Wildwood Soup Kitchen.



#### **Clark Barrios and The Atlantic City Boys**

Friday, March 1 at 5 & 8 p.m. — Summerhill Christian Life Center

Oh What a Night, Sherry Baby, Walk Like a Man, Big Girl's Don't Cry — these electrifying Broadway smash hits bring nonstop energy, incredible talent, and unlimited excitement to the stage!

Lending their world-class vocals to the rock-n-roll harmonies of the 60s, The Atlantic City Boys will have you reliving the smooth, street-corner harmonies and nonstop hits of one of the world's most memorable singing sensation groups of all time, "The Four Seasons."

These four talented, dynamic male lead vocalists, backed by an equally accomplished live band, will take you on an exhilarating musical trip down memory lane that you will never forget!

*Tickets:* \$29 (Artist Circle) and \$24 (General Admission)
Tickets are available at all locations of the Villages Box Office.

#### **Looking Ahead to Upcoming Events**

Methodist University Chorale
Sunday, March 3 at 7:30 p.m. — Lake Deaton Christian Life Center

Celebration Brass Band
Sunday, March 10 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Fellowship Center