ALTAR FLOWERS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED BY...

Mary & Henry Goldberg in celebration of their 48th anniversary and in memory of Janet & Edward Millar.

volunteers NEED



Traffic Control Team Members

Responsibilities include providing traffic control within the church property for events exceeding 500 persons in attendance. Volunteers are notified in advance of events and can sign up as their schedule permits. Training is provided. For more information on the position, please contact Dick Maxfield at maxfield.richard@gmail



Newsletter Editing/Proofreading

We are in need of someone with proofreading or editing experience to review both campus newsletters each Tuesday afternoon for about two to three hours. If you are interested, please contact Jo Jones at jjones@newcovenantumc-fl.org or (352) 750-4529.



Front Desk Receptionist

We are in need of someone to volunteer at the front desk in the Administration Office to welcome visitors and answer phones. If you are interested, please contact Ginny Davis at vdavis@newcovenantumc-fl.org or (352) 750-4529.





Helping Hands All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast Saturday, February 9 from 7:30–10 a.m. — SH 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.



Giving in the Spirit

Remember to make your gift selections from the Giving in the Spirit catalog. Your Giving in the Spirit gifts selection envelopes may be put in the collection plate by Sunday, December 30. You may pick up a gift card at the Welcome Center or Ticket Kiosk to let people know you have made a donation in their name.



Bargains & Blessings Monthly Pick-up

Saturday, January 5 and Sunday, January 6 — SH West Parking Lot

The first Saturday and Sunday of each month, the Bargains & Blessings truck will be in the church parking lot to accept your donations. You may drop off your donations before or after Worship Services.

YOUR SCRIPTURE FOR THIS WEEK

	GENESIS TO REVELATION	AS EVENTS OCCURRED CHRONOLOGICALLY	NEW TESTAMENT	THE Gospels
December 23	2 Peter 1-3	Hebrews 11-13	Sunday: No Reading	John 19
December 24	1 John 1-5	2 Timothy	Revelations 12:1–13:10	John 20
December 25	2 John-Jude	2 Peter-Jude	Revelations 13:11–14:20	John 21
December 26	Revelations 1-3	1 John	Revelations 15–16	Acts 1
December 27	Revelations 4-8	2-3 John	Revelations 17:1–18:8	Acts 2
December 28	Revelations 9-12	Revelations 1-5	Revelations 18:9–19:10	Acts 3
December 29	Revelations 13-16	Revelations 6-11	Revelations 19:11–20:15	Acts 4
December 30	Revelations 17-19	Revelations 12-18	Revelations 21	Acts 5
December 31	Revelations 20-22	Revelations 19-22	Revelations 22	Acts 6

For this reason Christ is the mediator of a new covenant, that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance – now that he has died as a ransom to set them free from the sins committed under the first covenant. (Hebrews 9:15)

Loving God, thank you for bringing hope, love, joy, and peace to the world in the form of Immanuel. Because Jesus lives, we also live! In Jesus' name, we pray.

Sunday Christian Education Classes				
7:45 a.m.	Early Risers	Not Meeting Today — Have a Merry Christmas	Chapel	
9:15 a.m.	Childcare	Children ages newborn to 5 years old	Children's Room	
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	Not Meeting Today— Have a Merry Christmas	Classroom 2	
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders	Not Meeting Today— Have a Merry Christmas	Classroom 11	
9:15 a.m.	Faith Finders	Not Meeting Today— Have a Merry Christmas	Classrooms 6/7	
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	Not Meeting Today— Have a Merry Christmas	Chapel	
10:30 a.m.	Spirited Singles	Not Meeting Today — Have a Merry Christmas	Classroom 3	
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Christmas Music and the Incarnation	Classroom 14	
10:30 a.m.	The Searchers	Not Meeting Today— Have a Merry Christmas	Classrooms 6/7	
10:45 a.m.	Wesley Class	Not Meeting Today— Have a Merry Christmas	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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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.

Worship Attendance for Last Week: 5.338

(Fresh Expressions) 69 · (Celebrate Recovery) 29 · (Orchard Worship) 7 · (Grounded Youth Group) 45 (Saturday Contemporary) 281 · (Sunday Summerhill) 7:45-244 · 9:15-798 · 10:45-578 (Lake Deaton) 9:00-271 • 10:30-214 • (Christmas Concert) 3:00-1,407 • 7:00-1,395

SUMMERHILL CAMPUS

NEW COVENANT

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

Christmas Eve Services ~ Hospitality ~ Generosity ~ Community ~ Invitational ~

Service ~ Caring

A Love Offering will be collected at all Christmas Eve Services to benefit the Wildwood Middle High School Mentor Program Scholarship Fund.

DECEMBER 22 & 23, 2018

Rev. Harold Hendren, Senior Pastor

Rev. Jim Divine, Lake Deaton Pastor

Rev. Marilyn Anell, Visitation Pastor

Rev. Kristyne Young, Pastor of Congregational Life

SUMMERHILL CAMPUS "Carols & Candlelight" 4:30* and 7 p.m.*

with the Chancel Choir and Brass **Christmas Message by Rev. Harold Hendren** *Childcare up to fifth grade will be provided.

"Christmas Message" **Family Walk-through Experience** (30 minutes before and after each service)

"Open Communion" in the Chapel 5:30-6:30 p.m.

LAKE DEATON CAMPUS "Carols & Christmas Stories" 5 and 7 p.m.

> For unto YOU is BORN this day, in the city of David, a SAVIOR, which is CHRIST the Lord.

> > Luke 2:11

connections



Connect Small Groups — "Unshakable Hope"

Tuesday evenings beginning January 8 from 7-8:30 p.m.

One thing we can all agree on is that we need HOPE! Hope for our world, hope for our church, hope for our family, and a personal hope that carries us through tumultuous seasons in our lives.

"This world has a tremble to it. There are things that seem unsteady in this life. But when we belong to God, it allows us to filter our problems through the promises of God. When we choose to be people of the promise, we choose to build our lives on the promises of God, not the circumstances of life." (Max Lucado).

Pastor Harold's January sermon series will lead us to discover the amazing plans and promises God has for us that give us hope, "Unshakable Hope." If you are not currently in a Connect Small Group, you are invited to follow this sermon series in a group that will meet for five weeks. The group is open to singles, couples, men, and women.

For more information or to register for this small group study, see a Connect Small Group leader at the kiosk in the East Narthex. For more information about small groups, please contact Jenny Sweat at jsweat@newcovenantumc-fl.org or call (352) 750-4529.



Discover New Covenant

Saturday at 4 p.m. — SH Fellowship Center

Sunday following each Worship Service — SH 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.

For more information, please contact Joyce Dunne at idunne@newcovenantumc-fl.org.



New Member Classes

Monday, February 11, 2019 from 6–7:30 p.m. — SH 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.

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.

TidBits



Thank You, Thank You!

Thank you to Sean Pollock, Director of Worship, and the members of the New Covenant Choirs, Handbells, soloists, and other musicians and participants who performed in last weekend's concert, *Season of Joy*. A special thank you also to all the volunteers who served to welcome our guests to this production.



Don Piper Books Available to Purchase

We still have a few copies of Don's book available to purchase in the Administration Office. The cost is \$20; cash or checks only (no credit cards). Please make your checks payable to "NCUMC" with "DPiper book" on the memo line.



Holy Land Trip in 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 or Ticket Kiosk in either Narthex.



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.



"Hits of the 70s"

Thursday, January 10 at 7 p.m. — SH Christian Life Center

Sean, Angie Rose, and guests present *Hits of the 70s* in this annual concert benefiting "Backpack for Kids." Always one of your favorite concerts — enjoy a great night of music, energy, and excitement as we return to the 70s!

Tickets available now!

\$25: Artist Circle (non-assigned)

\$20: General Admission (non-assigned)



The Kramers in Concert

Sunday, January 13 at 6 p.m. — SH Christian Life Center

Returning to New Covenant, join the Kramers for an evening concert. The Kramers will also be joining us in Sunday morning Worship Services.

A love offering will be accepted.



The Good Stuff Festival

Saturday, January 26 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. — SH 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. — SH Fellowship Center

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

Tickets: \$15



Laura Story in Concert

February 15 & 16, 2019 — LD 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.)

Congregational Care



Prime Time — Everyone is Invited!

Thursday, January 10 from 10 a.m.–12:30 p.m. — SH Fellowship Center
Reserve your spot for January's Prime Time. We will have a sing-a-long with
Pat Smith and Brian Maderos, a devotional, and special guests.

Lunch is \$6 payable at the door. To make your reservation, please call the Administration office at (352) 750-4529 by noon on Monday, January 7.



Grief Share®

Begins Monday, January 7 from 10 a.m.–12 p.m. — SH Chapel

GriefShare® begins a new session in January. As you journey this new season, let others who understand come alongside you. Preregistration is requested. Please contact the Congregational Care office at (352) 750-4529.



Stephen Ministry is Here for You

If you are in a crisis and could use some help from a trained, caring Christian friend, please consider requesting a Stephen Minister. They listen, pray, and support you. Stephen Ministry is a confidential, one-on-one relationship with a highly-trained individual that will walk alongside you when you have challenges in your life. We value the chance to pray for you!

To request a Stephen Minister, you may use a Prayer Request card or submit a request on our church website. For more information, please contact the Congregational Care office at (352) 750-4529.



Yoga Classes

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).



Hospital News

Please let us know if you are having a procedure, surgery, or other type of health challenge. You may complete a prayer card and put it in a Prayer Request box or the offering plate.

If you are not able to contact your church in case of an immediate hospitalization, please designate a neighbor or friend to let us know. It is our privilege to walk with you in prayer.



Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...

Ken Williams, family and friends on the passing of his wife Betty; John Falb, family and friends on the passing of his wife Sally; and Robin Lane, family and friends on the passing of her husband Gary.

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

New Concerns

Barbara, Judy Blucker, Barb & Bob Doerner, Amanda Fletcher, Marilynn Garner and Family, Maxine Gillotti, Kay Hart, Paul Hinzpeter, George Hodge, Barbara K., Penny Lord, Chloe Priser, Ed Randolph, Vanessa, Bill Young