

## ALTAR FLOWERS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED BY...

Jack Bell & Bonnie Gaspari in memory of their spouses, Cathryn May & Robert A.; and Elizabeth Stillson to celebrate the birthday of Tim.



### New Covenant Men's Chorus

Tuesdays, February 11 through March 10 at 9 a.m. — Classroom 8/9

If you enjoy singing with the Men's Chorus, or would like to be a part of this group, please join us for weekly rehearsals. No auditions are required, and it's just a short time commitment!

The Men's Chorus will lead the 9:15 and 10:45 a.m. Worship Services on Sunday, March 15. For more information, please contact Bonnie Fisher at (614) 565-0953 or [bonniefisher53@gmail.com](mailto:bonniefisher53@gmail.com).



### Easter at Summerhill

Ash Wednesday Imposition of Ashes, February 26 from 9–10 a.m.

Ash Wednesday Worship Service, February 26 at 6 p.m.

#### Palm Sunday Concerts

- Saturday, April 4 at 5 p.m. (No Saturday Worship)
- Sunday, April 5 at 3 p.m.
- FREE tickets will be required. (More information will be available soon be.)

Prayer Stations, April 8–10

Saturday, April 11 at 5 p.m.

Holy Thursday, April 9 at 6 p.m.

Easter Sunrise, April 16 at 6:30 a.m.

Good Friday, April 10 at 12 p.m.

Easter Worship, April 16 at 7:45, 9:15, 10:45 a.m.



### Gleaners Ministry at New Covenant

Thursday, February 20 at 7:15 a.m. — West Narthex

Join our Gleaners at the next cabbage harvest in Zellwood. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Val Harris at [vharriskokomo66@yahoo.com](mailto:vharriskokomo66@yahoo.com) or (765) 432-7927. The church bus will depart promptly at 7:30 a.m.



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

Saturday, February 29 from 7:30–10 a.m. — 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. Tickets are \$7 per person. Net proceeds will benefit Helping Hands projects.

If you are reading this electronically, click [www.itickets.com/register/new/442685](http://www.itickets.com/register/new/442685) to purchase tickets from home.



### ZOE Empowers — Zimbabwe

Tuesday, March 3 from 11 a.m.–1 p.m. — Fellowship Center

Please join us in welcoming Barbara Matsanga, ZOE Zimbabwe Country Manager. This gathering will include information about New Covenant's sponsorship groups as well as interesting information about ZOE Empowers.

Hear directly about the ZOE program and its effectiveness in empowering orphans and vulnerable children to become socially, economically and spiritually strong — transforming entire communities in the process. Light lunch included.

For more information, please contact Kathy Hudak Yoakum at [khudakyoakum@ncumcfl.com](mailto:khudakyoakum@ncumcfl.com) or (352) 750-4529.



### Computer Help Needed at Bargains and Blessings

We are looking for volunteers who will help in accessing recorded donation phone messages, returning calls, and scheduling for donation pick-ups using a computer template. Basic ability of computer use is needed. We will provide adequate training on the system. For more information, please call Bob Becker at (352) 461-3405.

## SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS...

What is your favorite Scripture? One of my favorites is this one: "They who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint." (Isaiah 40:31)  
Let's both wait and rise!

**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.

Please wear your name tags — it helps all of us to remember names!  
If you don't have one, please go to the Welcome Center and pick one up.

### SUNDAY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

7:45 a.m.	Early Risers	Signs of the Time	Chapel
9:15 a.m.	Childcare	Children ages newborn to 5 years old	Children's Room
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	Lessons from David	Classroom 2
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders	Unlikely Heroes of the Bible	Classroom 11
9:15 a.m.	Faith Finders	Signs of the Time	Chapel
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	Holiness	Classroom 6/7
10:30 a.m.	Spirited Singles & Friends	Revealing the Mysteries of Heaven	Classroom 3
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Australian Bushfires	Classroom 14
10:30 a.m.	The Searchers	Signs of the Time	Chapel
10:30 a.m.	The Truth Project	Sociology: The Divine Imprint	Classroom 1
10:45 a.m.	Wesley Class	Unlikely Heroes of the Bible	Classroom 11

Please see the "Discipleship" section of our website for information on classes at our Lake Deaton Campus.

### 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. (CHILDREN'S ROOM)

LAKE DEATON SUNDAY WORSHIP  
BLENDED 8 A.M. • 9:30 A.M. • TRADITIONAL 11 A.M.

SUMMERHILL ADDRESS:  
3470 WOODRIDGE DR.  
THE VILLAGES, FL 32162

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6500 WESLEYAN WAY  
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WE REGULARLY UPDATE OUR FACEBOOK PAGE WITH PHOTOS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND EVENTS.

♿ ACCESSIBLE • DESIGNATED HANDICAP SEATING IS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER.



### Hearing Assistance Available

The Christian Life Center is equipped with a HEARING LOOP (Assistive Listening System). Please switch your hearing aid or cochlear implant to "T" (Telephone) or request assistance. We have units available for persons whose hearing aid is not "T" compatible. For more information, go to [www.hearingloop.org](http://www.hearingloop.org).

Worship Attendance for Last Week: 3,060

(Summerhill Saturday) 350 • (Summerhill Sunday) 7:45–252 • 9:15–927 • 10:45–709  
(Lake Deaton) 8:00–85 • 9:30–435 • 11:00–181  
(Orchard Worship) 10 • (Grounded Youth Group) 32 • (Fresh Expressions) 79

## 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.

**Our Core Values:** Spiritual Growth ~ Hospitality ~ Generosity ~ Community ~ Invitational ~ Service ~ Caring

FEBRUARY 15 & 16, 2020

Rev. Harold Hendren, Senior Pastor

Rev. Dan Johnson, Interim Senior Pastor

Rev. Jim Divine, Lake Deaton Pastor

Rev. Kristyne Young, Lake Deaton Discipleship Pastor

Rev. Ellen Pollock, Summerhill Discipleship Pastor



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24 & TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

LIFE ENRICHMENT CENTER  
FRUITLAND PARK, FL

OVERNIGHT COST: \$75  
COMMUTER COST: \$49

You do 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 is at the Life Enrichment Center in Fruitland Park and open to all men.

To register, visit our website at [www.ncumcfl.com](http://www.ncumcfl.com) and click "Portal" at the top of the page. Click the "Registrations" button, then select "Men's Spring Retreat." You may also click these links.

- To stay overnight, click this link, <http://bit.ly/ncumc2629>
- To commute, click this link, <http://bit.ly/ncumc2628>

If you need help registering, please contact Ashley Hill at [ahill@ncumcfl.com](mailto:ahill@ncumcfl.com) or (352) 750-4529. Registration closes Monday, February 17 at noon.

For information on other Ministries of New Covenant, please stop by "Discover New Covenant" in the East Narthex.



# DISCOVER NEW COVENANT



## Discover New Covenant — This Weekend

Saturday from 4–6:30 p.m. & Sunday from 7 a.m.–12 p.m. — East Narthex

Please join us this weekend as many of our ministries are represented at our Discover New Covenant weekend. Take the time to visit some of the tables and gather information.

### Some of the Groups Represented

- Alzheimer's Ministry
- Beds and Blankets Ministry
- Children and Families Ministry
- Connect Small Groups
- Congregational Care Ministers
- CR101 Ministry
- Discipleship Ministry
- ERT (Early Response Team)
- Gleaning Ministry
- Helping Hands Ministry
- Hope for Hurting Parents Ministry
- Handi Fellas Ministry
- REC (Residents Encounter Christ)
- OASIS @ Lowell Correctional Institute
- Prayer Shawl Ministry
- Prayers and Squares Ministry
- Stephen Ministers
- NCUMC Traffic Control Team
- Ushers
- Women's Ministry
- Worship Ministry

# VOLUNTEER CENTRAL



## Volunteer Spotlight: Pat Ashburn

Not only does Pat lead and nurture our fantastic Attendance Entry volunteers, but she has done it for more than 12 years! Whether it means learning new software, or staying late, Pat is 100 percent dedicated to making sure our data and our volunteers are in tip-top shape. With her attention to detail and patient demeanor, she is a "must-have" part of the team. We love our volunteers, and we love Pat. Thank you for all of your years of dedication and expertise. We would be LOST without you!



## Volunteers Needed!

Please stop by the Welcome Center in the East Narthex for a full list of volunteer positions and job descriptions for which we have a need.

### Communion Servers

Communion servers are needed for Saturday and Sunday. If you can offer an hour a month to help this wonderful ministry, we need you! Training will be provided.

- Contact: (Saturday) Carol Stramiello at (352) 751-7400 or [cstramiello@embarqmail.com](mailto:cstramiello@embarqmail.com)
- Contact: (Sunday) Lesan or Jill Van Syckle at (352) 751-7447 [Ljvansyckle20@gmail.com](mailto:Ljvansyckle20@gmail.com)

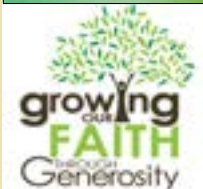
### Ushers Needed for Worship Services

We need Ushers to fill vacancies at our Saturday and 10:45 Sunday Worship Services.

Contact: (Saturday) Buddy Acton at (352) 425-4457 or [buddy.acton@comcast.net](mailto:buddy.acton@comcast.net)

Contact: (Sunday) Leon Schien at (352) 245-6615 or [leonschien@gmail.com](mailto:leonschien@gmail.com)

# Time, Talents, and Treasures



## God's Money

The founder of the Methodist Church, John Wesley, is quoted frequently. One of my favorites is it's "Not, how much of my money will I give to God, but, how much of God's money will I keep for myself?" Tithing is a big decision for many. It's not such a big deal for others. Tithing helps us to look outside our selfishness. It's meant to be a benefit for us and make us more aware of the needs of others.

Whether you tithe or not, giving to your church makes you feel good. A generous heart is a kind heart. You will not find a generous person who is an unhappy person. Try it, you'll like it.

# DISCIPLESHIP



## Special Speaker, Dr. Sergei Nikolaev

This Sunday, February 16

I'm excited that my friend, Rev. Dr. Sergei Nikolaev, President of the United Methodist Moscow Theological Seminary, will be with us at New Covenant. He will bring greetings at the beginning of each service, and then speak more fully at each of Pastor Gary Cantrell's Sunday School classes. You will find him to be a delightful, wonderful person and leader. Blessings, Pastor Dan



## Emmaus Gathering

February 20 at 6:30 p.m. — Hope Lutheran Church in The Villages

The evening begins with a pot luck dinner. The next Emmaus gathering will be in April at Crystal River UMC. The plans are to be determined.

- The next Women's Walk to Emmaus is March 12–15
- The next Men's Walk to Emmaus is March 19–22 (There is still space for the men's walk.)

If you have any questions, please contact:

- (Summerhill) Nancy Casto at [nancasto@gmail.com](mailto:nancasto@gmail.com)
- (Lake Deaton) Barb Strome at [bstrome@aol.com](mailto:bstrome@aol.com) or Joel Douthett at [joldnol@hotmail.com](mailto:joldnol@hotmail.com)



## The Ladies of Light (LOL)

Mondays, March 2–April 6, 9:30-11:30 a.m. — Classroom 11

Our LOL Connect Small Group will be doing the Lenten study, *He Chose the Nails* by Max Lucado. This study will be held during our regular meeting. If you are not currently a member of a Women's CSG, please give our group a try as we do this study together.

For more information or to sign up, contact Ashley Hill at [ahill@ncumcfl.com](mailto:ahill@ncumcfl.com) or (352) 750-4529.



## New Member Classes

Monday, March 23 from 6–7:30 p.m. — Chapel

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, visit our website at [www.ncumcfl.com](http://www.ncumcfl.com) and click "Portal" at the top of the page. Click the "Registrations" button, then select "New Member Class – Summerhill Campus." You may also click this link <http://bit.ly/ncumc2657> to register.

For more information, please contact Barb Prindle at (352) 750-4529 or [bprindle@ncumcfl.com](mailto:bprindle@ncumcfl.com).



## Christmastime in the Smokies and Biltmore House Bus Trip

Monday, November 8 through Sunday, November 14, 2020

The Early Risers Sunday school class is sponsoring a 7-day, 6-night bus trip to the Smoky Mountains and Biltmore House in Asheville, NC. The trip is open to anyone who attends New Covenant, as well as those outside of the church. We plan to take two buses. (The first bus is now full).

There will be information available at a kiosk in the East Narthex this weekend. If you have any questions, please contact Dale Newland at (352) 751-4283 or [dnewland101@comcast.net](mailto:dnewland101@comcast.net).



## New Covenant Church Library

Our Library provides easy access to Christian-based literature and audio/visual materials for anyone. We have study materials available for Small Groups (multiple copies, plus leaders' guides and DVDs).

Our church history, dating back to 1999, is also available for viewing — including newspaper clippings and photos of members, friends, and ministries. You will also find rare books, including hymnals carried by the old circuit riders. DVDs of our pastors' sermons, church events, and concerts are available for check out.

# Congregational Care



## The Caring Bridge for Pastor Harold

To access Pastor Harold's *Caring Bridge* page, click this link or type it into your browser: <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/pastorharoldhendren> and follow the directions to "Sign In" or to "Register" for an account. Updates are added weekly.



## Alzheimer's Family Support Walk

Saturday, March 7 — The Villages Polo Field

Registration: 8 a.m. — Opening Ceremonies: 9 a.m. — Walk: 9:30 a.m.

Your participation in this event will increase the level of Alzheimer's Awareness in your community and assist Alzheimer's Family Organization in raising much needed funds to continue support and education programs for families and Caregivers.

To register, go to <https://alzheimersfamily.org/villageswalk>

For more information, volunteers are at the kiosk in the East Narthex each weekend in February.



## Care Cards

Care Cards are in our Connection Pads and are one of the best ways for us to hear from you about your needs and concerns. Every need represented is prayed over, and a Congregational Care Minister will also contact you to follow up on your concern.

It gives you another opportunity to let us know if you have an upcoming hospitalization or surgery. Be sure to write neatly and select the correct box, so we will know if the person you are concerned for attends New Covenant.



## Home Communion

We are looking for a few volunteers who would enjoy serving home communion to our faith community who are shut in their homes, reside in assisted-living facilities, or hospitalized. Home Communion is delivered the first Sunday of each month. Training and supplies will be provided.

For more information, please contact the Congregational Care Office at (352) 750-4529.



## Hope for Hurting Parents

Thursdays at 2 p.m. — Classroom 14

If you have a child or loved one struggling with addiction, mental illness, incarceration, or other life-altering events, we offer support and encouragement for you — the parent or grandparent.

For more information, please call the Congregational Care Office at (352) 750-4529. We welcome all in our community who need this support; it is not just for members.



## The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for: Maverick Snow, a 2-year-old with bone and liver ailments; Dimitri Kontominos who has Alzheimer's and other illnesses; and Marsha Zucker who had a knee replacement. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

## New Concerns

- Pat Ashburn, Brice Beaver, Jeff Collins, James H. Currier, Lane Davis, James Foytack, Debbie Grablick, Holly Hallett, Maretta Hammitte, Diane Johnson, Pat McLaughlin, Katie Meyer, Paul Miller, Nancy, Rickelle Nelson, Dick Pierson, Norene Phillips, Ron Pitts, Kevin Robetson Family, Debra Sanders, Dennis Smith, Torman Family, Kathy Wanamaker, Bev Webb, Shawn Wilson Family, Dewey Wood, Ross Woodburn Family

# Concerts & Events

**Unless Otherwise Noted, all tickets are available by one of these methods.**

- The interactive links in the electronic newsletter
- [www.ncumcfl.com/events](http://www.ncumcfl.com/events)
- [www.itickets.com](http://www.itickets.com) or call 1-800-965-9324
- Ticket Kiosk in the West Narthex

Pick up a copy of the new  
2020 Spring Concerts and Events brochure at the Ticket Kiosk  
in the West Narthex or the Welcome Center in the East Narthex.



## Mark Steven Schmidt

*Sunday, February 16 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

Reignite the flames of love with classic love songs! Mark will serenade you as your personal Gondolier and take you on a “Magical Journey” filled with the memories of your deepest passions. Mark will be accompanied by pianist extraordinaire Bob Wilson.

Tickets available only at The Villages Box Office.



## Benefit Concert with Sean Pollock and Angie Rose

*Monday, March 2 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

Angie Rose and Sean Pollock bring you *Broadway and Beyond!* This wonderful duo will perform their favorite songs for what’s sure to be a top show this year! From Broadway to pop hits to the movies, *Broadway and Beyond* will be a showstopper!

You will hear Sean and Angie’s favorite signature songs and duets, like *Somewhere Over the Rainbow*, *You Don’t Bring Me Flowers*, and *On the Street Where You Live*. Sean will awe you on the piano, along with the best band in The Villages — Bill Neale (guitar) Jerry Bruno (drums), and John Gaffney (bass) — your ears will be smiling!

**Tickets: \$25 (Artist Circle) • \$20 (General)**

If you are reading this electronically, click [www.itickets.com/register/new/442510](http://www.itickets.com/register/new/442510) to purchase tickets from home, or stop by the Ticket Kiosk following Worship Services if you require assistance.

Net proceeds will support the Backpacks for Kids program, an Outreach Ministry of New Covenant.



## Clark Barrios and The Atlantic City Boys

*Friday, March 6 at 5 and 8 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

*Oh What a Night*, *Sherry Baby*, *Walk Like a Man*, *Big Girl’s Don’t Cry*, these electrifying Broadway smash hits bring non-stop energy, incredible talent, and unlimited excitement once again 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 non-stop 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 are available only at The Villages Box Office.**





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## **Celebration Brass Band with Special Guests**

*Sunday, March 15, 2020 at 6 PM — Summerhill Campus*

Joining the Celebration Brass Band, conducted by Jill Van Syckel, will be the **Brass Band of Central Florida (BBCF)**. Under the music direction of Gareth Pritchard, BBCF features Central Florida's finest brass and percussion musicians performing in the British brass-band style with traditional British brass band instrumentation.

The BBCF has an active performance schedule of concerts, outreach programs, and competitions throughout the United States and the United Kingdom.

**Tickets: \$20**

Tickets are currently on sale through iTickets and at our Ticket Kiosk between weekend Worship Services. Tickets will also be available at The Villages Box Office in February. If you are reading this electronically, click this link <https://www.itickets.com/register/new/441820> to purchase tickets.



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## **The Martins**

*Thursday, March 26 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

Siblings, Joyce, Jonathan, and Judy, collectively known as The Martins, have enjoyed countless radio hits and performances at concert halls, arenas, auditoriums and churches worldwide.

During the 1990s, The Martins rose to national and international success, showcasing their stunning and distinctive harmonies before a vast array of audiences, from legendary singer/songwriter Bill Gaither's multi-award winning Homecoming Video and Concert Series to the White House to Carnegie Hall. Over the years the trio garnered eight Dove Awards from the Gospel Music Association, as well as a prestigious Grammy nomination.

**Tickets: \$25 (Artist Circle) • \$15 (Reserved)**

Tickets are currently on sale through iTickets and at our Ticket Kiosk between weekend Worship Services. Tickets will also be available at The Villages Box Office in February. If you are reading this electronically, click this link <https://www.itickets.com/register/new/441282> to purchase tickets

Net proceeds will benefit the Summerhill Discipleship ministries of New Covenant.



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## **Bach with a Beat presents "What a Wonderful World"**

*Thursday, April 16 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

In a world filled with anxiety and worry, Bach With a Beat offers an island of peace and happiness. This program is filled with songs of love and laughter. Our music will accentuate the positive and be like a musical tonic for your soul.

**Tickets will be available only at The Villages Box Office.**

Presented in partnership with Beds and Blankets, an Outreach Ministry of New Covenant.



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## **The Villages Symphonic Winds**

*Sunday, April 19 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

Join us as The Winds present a concert of marches by composers Vaughan Williams, Grieg, Shostakovich, Prokofiev, and everyone's favorite, Sousa.

**Tickets will be available soon. Check your weekly newsletter or our website for updates.**

Net proceeds will benefit the The Bertha Fund, a Congregational Care Ministry.

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## **Save the Date**

**May 3 • The Villages Flute Choir**

**May 7 • The Booth Brothers**