

ALTAR FLOWERS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED BY...

Bill & Nancy Boe in celebration of their 65th anniversary; Judith Clevenger in memory of Robert Clevenger; and the Family of Larry Buckner in his memory.

The Grapevine Cross in the Chancel Area is also in memory of Larry, a tenor in our Chancel Choir.

TidBits



Your Safety is Important to Us

The 2019 Disaster Response Plan has been finalized. If you are interested in Safety Training for your ministry or have any questions, please contact Larry Frum, Disaster Response Coordinator, at frumlarry@aol.com or (352) 638-0533.

volunteers NEEDED



Coordinator Needed for Table Talk Dinners

Table Talk Dinners are small groups of six who gather once a month for three months to build friendships as they dine together in homes or in restaurants. It's a great way to meet new people in an informal dining setting. We are looking for someone to take over as the volunteer coordinator of this ministry.

As the coordinator, your job would involve contacting the people who sign up for Table Talk Dinners and organizing them into groups with the same preference of meals (home, restaurants, or a combination). The groups are set up for three months at a time. The overall time commitment varies based on the number of participants. For more information, please contact Patty Halstead at (352) 633-2470.



Welcome Team

We need volunteers between weekend Worship Services to welcome people dropping off someone in the drop-off loop or parked in the handicap parking near the entrances to the building. This may include opening car doors, helping with walkers/wheelchairs, and providing umbrella service when needed.

Training will be provided. If you would like more information, please contact Joyce Dunne at (352) 750-4529 or jdunne@ncumcfl.com.



Children's Performing Arts Helpers

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@ncumcfl.com for more information.



Information Kiosk

We are in need of individuals or couples to serve at the Information Kiosk Saturday nights before the 5:00 service and Sundays before the 7:45 & 10:45 services. Training will be provided. If you would like more information, please contact Joyce Dunne at (352) 750-4529 or jdunne@ncumcfl.com.



Assistance at 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:

- **Education:** 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, and 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 shawanna.felton@kidscentralinc.org.

YOUR SCRIPTURE FOR THIS WEEK

For he has set a day for judging the world with justice by the man he has appointed, and he proved to everyone who this is by raising him from the dead.
Acts 17:31 (NLT-SE)

Lord, give us confidence to walk boldly in our faith, growing in our love, and resting on the assurance of our eternal future with you, which begins now. Amen.

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
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	Our Love for God	Chapel
10:30 a.m.	Apologetics	Learn How to Share Your Faith with Others	Classroom 6/7
10:30 a.m.	Spirited Singles	Book of Acts	Classroom 3
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Pet Therapy	Classroom 14
10:30 a.m.	The Searchers	Hebrews: Linking the Old and New Testaments	Chapel
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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♿ 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 (FORMERLY COUNTY ROAD 143), 34785

Worship Attendance for Last Week: 3,407
(Celebrate Recovery) 32 • (Fresh Expressions) 68 • (Saturday Contemporary) 372
(Summerhill Sunday) 7:45-266 • 9:15-1,099 • 10:45-743
(Orchard Worship) 5 • (Grounded Youth) 26
(Lake Deaton) 8:00-141 • 9:30-441 • 11:00-214

SUMMERHILL CAMPUS

FEBRUARY 23 & 24, 2019



Rev. Harold Hendren, Senior Pastor

Rev. Jim Divine, Lake Deaton Pastor

Rev. Kristyne Young, Lake Deaton
Discipleship Pastor

Rev. Marilyn Anell, Visitation Pastor

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

READY
TO CARE FOR
YOU!

Bear one another's burdens and in that way you will fulfill the law of Jesus Christ. (Galatians 6:2)

We are blessed to be able to provide a Stephen Minister, who is prepared to walk alongside anyone who requests a long-term, one-on-one care provider to walk with them through any need for which you would like support. Perhaps you are going through a difficult time in life — experiencing grief, divorce, a job loss, a chronic or terminal illness, family tensions, or some other life crisis. A Stephen Minister has undergone extensive and ongoing comprehensive training, and works in complete confidentiality.

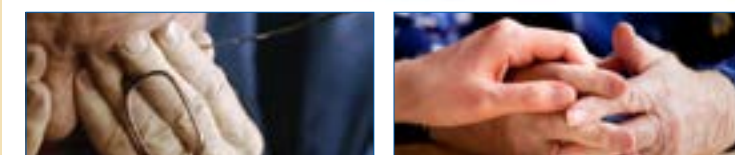


Our newly-commissioned and trained Congregational Care Ministers (CCMs) are now available to walk beside you in any and all needs. CCMs tend to focus on visitation and prayer. Whether you need a hospital visit or you or a loved one is in a facility, or is being cared for as a hospice patient, perhaps you need someone to just pray with you or even just to listen. CCMs are ready to serve.



Both Stephen Ministers and CCMs are laypersons who work alongside the pastors and staff to provide quality loving care for their church family and beyond. You can let us know of your needs by filling out a "Care Card" (located in the Attendance Pads and the Care and Administration Offices), or calling the Congregational Care Office at (352) 750-4529. You can also simply speak to a Stephen Minister or CCM, who you can identify by the name tag. Stephen Ministers and CCMs are available at both the Summerhill and Lake Deaton campuses.

Through both of these ministries, as well as others, our Congregational Care Department desires to be the hands, feet, and voice of Jesus to our church and throughout our community.



Missions & Outreach



Helping Hands / Bargains & Blessings General Meeting Sunday, February 24 at 4 p.m. — Chapel

All Helping Hands construction and Bargains & Blessings volunteers — and any individuals interested in volunteering — are invited to this **general meeting**. Hear the latest happenings at B & B and the current home construction. Bring any questions or suggestions you may have.

Volunteers Needed at Resale Shop

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 bargain-sandblessings@ncumcfl.com.

connections



Walk to Emmaus

The Walk to Emmaus is a spiritual renewal program intended to strengthen the local church through the development of Christian disciples and leaders. The Walk to Emmaus experience begins with a 72-hour short course in Christianity, comprised of fifteen talks by laity and clergy on the themes of God's grace, disciplines of Christian discipleship, and what it means to be the church.

The course is wrapped in prayer and meditation, special times of worship and daily celebration of Holy Communion. The "Emmaus Community," made up of those who have attended an Emmaus weekend, support the 72-hour experience with a prayer vigil, by preparing and serving meals, and with other acts of love and self-giving. The Emmaus Walk typically begins Thursday evening and concludes Sunday evening. Men and women attend separate weekends.

To participate in a Walk to Emmaus, you must have a sponsor who has already attended Emmaus. If you have a friend who has been to Emmaus, ask your friend to tell you about his or her experience with the program. Your friend can help you decide whether or not you would find an Emmaus experience helpful.

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 Walk Weekends, please contact Nancy Casto at nancasto@gmail.com or (352) 633-3288.



Connect Small Groups — Women's Small Groups

First and Third Mondays from 9:30–11:30 a.m. — Classrooms 6/7

Our Ladies of Light (LOL) Connect Small Group is currently studying *Keep It Shut: What to Say, How to Say It, and When to Say Nothing at All* by Karen Ehman. The second week of the month, we do a service project, and the fourth week we have fun with a social gathering. If this sounds interesting to you, please visit our kiosk in the East Narthex this weekend.

For more information, please contact Roberta Hays at rkhays@comcast.net.

Love God! Love Others! Together IS Better!



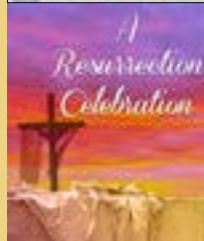
Discover New Covenant

Saturday, March 9 and Sunday, March 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 jdunne@ncumcfl.com.

WORSHIP LORD



A Resurrection Celebration with composer Mary McDonald, Combined Choirs and Orchestra Sunday, March 31 at 3 AND 7 p.m. — Christian Life Center

As a five-year old, Mary taught herself to play piano by listening to lessons given to her siblings. Her extraordinary natural gift and her exuberant personality have carried her into the hearts of people in congregations all across the country.

Whether engaging in passionate worship songs, fun gospel settings, uplifting, spirited originals or simply applying a fresh treatment to existing hymns, Mary's heart for ministry is to assist others in drawing closer to the throne of grace.

FREE TICKETS will be available between all Worship Services beginning March 2.

A Love Offering will be accepted.

DISCIPLESHIP BIBLE STUDIES



Member Path classes are open to all congregants and move you closer to fellowship, ministry and relationship with Jesus Christ. You can register from home online or at the kiosk this weekend for the following classes:

John Wesley & Our Wesleyan Heritage (2-week class taught by Pastor Harold)

Learn about John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist movement, and get a better understanding of our Wesleyan heritage.

- Class Dates: Wednesdays, February 27 and March 6 from 9:30–10:30 a.m.
- Cost: No cost/free

Connected to Serve (6-week class taught by R.J. Scherba)

Discover how your spiritual gifts, past experiences, passions, and personal values point to your uniquely created identity and purpose in Christ — here at New Covenant and beyond. This class is based on the book, *Network*, by Bugbee and Cousins.

- Class Dates: Tuesdays, March 5–April 16 from 2–3:30 p.m.
- Cost: \$9.50 (includes book)

A Disciple's Path (6-week class taught by Pastor Ellen Pollock)

Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness...this is what we commit to when we become members of The United Methodist Church, and it's a big step. But *A Disciple's Path* helps us look beyond membership, presenting an engaging approach to discipleship from a distinctly Wesleyan perspective. Discipleship is ongoing, so the 6-week study is perfect for new-member groups as well as long-time members. It helps you develop spiritual practices and engage in ministry that brings transformation to your own life, to the lives of others and the world.

- Class Dates: Wednesdays, March 13–April 17 from 9–10:30 a.m.
- Cost: \$12 (includes book)

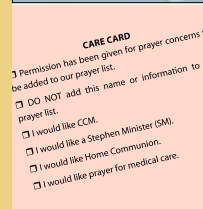
How to Register for Classes

Go to the church website (www.ncumcfl.com), click the "Portal" tab at the top right of the page, click on the "Registrations" tab and select the "Browse Summerhill Open Registrations" button. Click on the Member Path Classes button, then select the specific class you want to register for and follow the prompts to register and pay. You may pay with a credit or debit card, or electronic check. You may also register online at a computer set up at the kiosk in the East Narthex between Worship Services this weekend.

If you have problems registering for a class, please contact Jenny Sweat at jsweat@ncumcfl.com or (352) 750-4529.

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

Congregational Care



Take a Close Look at Our New "Care Card"

Introducing our new Care Card! Our new Care Card continues to allow you to make known your prayer requests, and we want you to know we do pray for your every concern. A CCM will contact you to see if you would like them to pray with you, and our "Praying Together" team prays over each request every Wednesday at 3:15 p.m. in Classroom 14.

Our new Care Card, given this name because in addition to prayer, we offer other ways we may care for you, includes information about requesting a Stephen Minister, a CCM, or Home communion. We desire to walk with you and provide care during any time in your life that you have a need.



Congregational Health Education Speaker Series

Monday, March 11 at 6 p.m. — Fellowship Center

In March, we will host Dr. Gabe and Diana Mirkin to talk about healthy eating and living. Their presentation will be on *Dietary Changes to Help You Lose Weight and Prevent Diabetes, Heart Attacks, and Cancers*. Our Congregational Health Speaker sessions are free and open to the public.



Prayer Room

Our Summerhill Prayer Room is a sacred space to spend time in prayer, meditation, and contemplation. Throughout the room, we offer seating, along with: a prayer quilt on which you can tie a knot while you pray; a prayer shawl and prayer beads that lead you as you pray; and for the times that words are difficult to come by, we have prayer cards covering different concerns that help guide you through your prayer.



Home Communion

We offer Communion to those in our faith community at both campuses who are homebound, reside in assisted living facilities, or are in the hospital. Please let us know if you would like to receive Communion, or if you know someone that would appreciate Home Communion. We have a great team of volunteers who are ready to bring the Lord's Table to you.

We deliver Home Communion the first Sunday of each month. For more information, please contact the Congregational Care office at (352) 750-4529.



The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for: Sam Tawale for a bright future; Fred Sparks who has prostate cancer; Cecilia Jones who has lung and pericardium cancer; and Pam Church who has cancer throughout her body. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...

Joy Buckner, family and friends on the passing of her husband Larry; and Rick Miller, family and friends on the passing of his wife Debbie (daughter-in-law of Jim & Kay Miller and step-mother of Megan Miller).

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

New Concerns

Patrick Barr, Patti Battle, Charlie Clendennon, Susan Edwards, Tom Emerson, Louise Fleming, Peggy & John Gould, Peggy Gross, Jack Guthrie, Gene Hill, Earlene Knox, Barbara Kosa, Mary Kubritch, Lois Meidenbauer, Jeff Morgan, Edith & Bill Mueller, Jim Parsons, Connie Richards, Doug Ross, Jose Serrano, Jr., Jean Symonds, Walker Truemart, Andrea Vanco

tickets

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 your 2019 Spring Concert brochure!



Clark Barrios and The Atlantic City Boys

Friday, March 1 at 5 & 8 p.m. — Summerhill Campus

Oh What a Night, Sherry Baby, Walk Like a Man, Big Girls 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 only available at The Villages Box Office locations.



Methodist University Chorale

Sunday, March 3 at 7:30 p.m. — Lake Deaton Campus

Methodist University's premiere touring choral ensemble, the Methodist University Chorale, will present a concert of works from different musical epochs with special performances by soloists from the group, MU Chamber Singers, and Ryan Pagels, piano. The ensemble consists of 30 vocalists and performs traditional/advanced choral literature. They are under the direction of Dr. Michael Martin.

Located in Fayetteville, NC the University offers over 70 majors and concentrations in five undergraduate schools and three graduate programs in the School of Graduate Studies. Methodist University enrolls a diverse student body from over 40 states and more than 30 countries.

FREE concert sponsored by the Music Ministries of New Covenant.



Celebration Brass Band w/guest Juan Berrios

Sunday, March 10 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus

Celebration Brass Band welcomes Juan Berrios, a member of The Dallas Brass and The Brass Band of Central Florida, as our guest soloist on Flugelhorn and Tenor Horn. Juan will perform *The Children of Sanchez*, made famous by Chuck Mangione, as one of his selections. This concert will present a mixture from Mozart to Movies to Marches to Dixieland.

Tickets \$15

A portion of the net proceeds benefits Care Ministry's Alzheimer's organization.



Welcome Back Greg Savitt

Tue, March 12 at 5 p.m. (Doors open at 4:45) — Summerhill Campus

Join us for a special night as we welcome back Greg Savitt from Chosen People Ministries. Greg is a Messianic Jew who teaches and educates on Jewish traditions and faith, while showing Jesus as our Messiah and Fulfillment of our prophecy. Following our evening meal, he will speak on Jesus and the Passover. We know you will want to hear this engaging message. Invite a neighbor or friend who would enjoy Greg's message.

Menu: Fattoush Salad (chopped greens with radishes, cucumbers, tomatoes, green onion, Pita chips), Mediterranean Crispy Chicken Breast, Golden Rice Pilaf with Almonds & Raisins, Lemony Whole Green Beans, Dinner Roll, and Baklava

Meal Tickets: \$10

Tickets will be available until Monday, March 11 at noon.

A love offering for Chosen People Ministries will be taken.



March Women's Gathering

Thursday, March 21 from 10-11:45 a.m. — Summerhill Campus

Be Intentional! Don't Wimp Out on God! Join Jenny Sweat and special guest Sheila West, for a time of learning how to be "more intentional" about being obedient, healthy, and holy women of God — saying "YES" to God on a daily basis.

Tickets: \$8. Tickets will be available beginning Saturday, February 23 at 4 p.m.

Menu: Trio Salad Plate (Chicken, Tuna & Egg), Croissant, Veggie and Pickle Garnish, and Cheesecake with Cherry Topping.

Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you'll recover your life. I'll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me — watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won't lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you'll learn to live freely and lightly. (Matthew 11:28-30, The Message)



Gordon Mote in Concert

Sunday, March 24 at 6 p.m. — Lake Deaton Campus

Gordon returns to New Covenant following a Grammy nomination for his latest project, *Love, Love, Love*. In addition, he has earned two Academy of Country Music Awards for top piano/keyboard player, as well as two Music Row Magazine Instrumentalist of the Year Awards (2009, 2011) for playing on the most top ten albums.

Tickets (Not assigned seats): \$15 Artist Circle • \$10 General Admission



Youth Car Wash

Saturday, March 30 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. — Summerhill Campus

Come on out for the best car wash in town, and support New Covenant Youth mission trips!

Tickets: \$5 per car and/or golf cart

Looking Ahead to Upcoming Events

The Villages Wind Ensemble

Sunday, April 7 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus

The Choralettes

Tuesday, April 9 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus

Bach with a Beat

Thursday, April 11 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus