ALTAR FLOWERS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED BY...

Barbara Dalton and son Brad Dalton, in memory of husband and father Donald Dalton; and Carole Bullmer in memory of Gary Handy.





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.

Persons seated in designated handicap areas will be served in their seats.



Easter Flowers

The Guild will place "Florida-friendly" live plants on the altar for the Easter Weekend Worship Services. To donate a plant in honor or memory of someone, please sign up at the kiosk in the East Narthex beginning March 14/15.

Each plant costs \$10 (payable by cash or check to NCUMC) and is due at the time you sign up. Plants will be available for you to take home immediately following the 10:45 Easter Worship Service.

Please Note: There will not be any other flowers placed in the Chancel area on Easter Sunday.



Easter at Summerhill

"Resurrection Celebration" Choir Concerts Saturday, April 4 at 5 p.m. (No Saturday Worship Service) Sunday, April 5 at 3 p.m.

Palm Sunday Worship April 5 at 7:45. 9:15. 10:45 a.m.

"I Was There!" Prayer Stations Wednesday, April 8 from 9 a.m.-7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 9 from 9 a.m.-7:30 p.m.

Holy Thursday Service, April 9 at 6 p.m.

Good Friday Service, April 10 at 12 p.m. at Morrison UMC in Leesburg

Saturday Service, April 11 at 5 p.m. Easter Sunrise Service, April 12 at 6:30 a.m.

Easter Service, April 12 at 7:45, 9:15, 10:45 a.m.



Youth Car Wash

Saturday, March 28 from 9 a.m.–12 p.m. — West Parking Lot Join us for our Spring Car Wash Fundraiser! Only \$5 per car and/or golf

cart! Funds raised go towards New Covenant's Youth Summer Mission Trips. For more information, contact Kayla DeSimone, Family Minister.



Easter Egg Hunt

Palm Sunday, April 5 following the 10:45 a.m. Worship Service

We're having an Easter Egg Hunt! Families are welcome to join us. This is a free event! Online Registration is open.

To register, visit our website at www.ncumcfl.com and click "Portal" at the top of the page. Click the "Registrations" button, then select "Family Easter Egg Hunt." You may also click this link http://bit.ly/ncumc2661 to register.

If you have any questions, please contact Kayla DeSimone, Family Minister at (352) 750-4529.

SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS...

The Crucifixion of Jesus

They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. — Mark 15:21 (New Revised Standard Version)

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	Suffering in the Wilderness	Classroom 6/7
10:30 a.m.	Spirited Singles & Friends	Revealing the Mysteries of Heaven	Classroom 3
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Current issues discussed with a Christian View	Classroom 14
10:30 a.m.	The Truth Project	Unio Mystica: Am I Alone?	Classroom 1
10:30 a.m.	The Searchers	Signs of the Time	Chapel
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.

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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.

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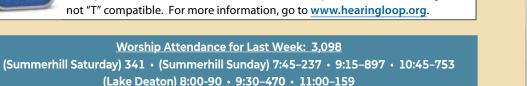
Hearing Assistance Available



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.

Worship Attendance for Last Week: 3,098

(Orchard Worship) 14 • (Grounded Youth Group) 23 • (Fresh Expressions) 114





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.



Chuck Folkers Ed Lovera Tom McCracken Jeanne Maxfield **Phil Waters**

SUMMERHILL CAMPUS

FEBRUARY 29 & MARCH 1, 2020

NEW COVENANT

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

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**

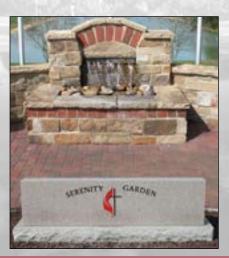
Sevenity Garden COLUMBARIUM

Serenity Garden Columbarium is a peaceful and serene final resting place avail-, able to church members and their families who chose cremation over in-ground burial. Last year the Columbarium was expanded, adding an additional 224 Columbarium niches.

Serenity Garden is a place of rest, prayer, memorialization, and meditation for our church family. If you are interested in purchasing a niche or just getting more information about the Columbarium, please contact one of the Columbarium Committee Members listed below.

Committee Members: Virginia Newland (352) 751-4283 (352) 751-1070 (352) 674-9154 (352) 751-6879 (770) 361-2804 (352) 751-5076





CONNECTIONAL MINISTRY



New Member Class

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 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.



Volunteers Needed! Please stop by the Welcome Center in the East Narthex for a full list of volun-**EXECONNECTION** teer positions and job descriptions for which we have a need.

Coffee Bar

We need help at the coffee bar from 7–9 a.m. on Sunday mornings. If you can give of your time for a commitment of one Sunday every six weeks, we need you! If you can make coffee and arrange cookies this is the job for you.

Contact: Barb Prindle if you are able to help at (352) 750-4529 or bprindle@ncumcfl.com.

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
- Contact: (Sunday) Lesan or Jill Van Syckle at (352) 751-7447 Ljvansyckle20@gmail.com

Home Communion Servers

Serve home communion to our faith community who are shut in their homes, reside in assisted-living facilities, or during hospitalization. Home Communion is delivered the first Sunday of each month. Training and supplies will be provided.

Contact: Congregational Care Office at (352) 750-4529

"iTicket" Sales

We need help selling tickets at the Ticket Kiosk before and after the 10:45 service. Contact: Candy Ginns at (352) 633-2249 or cginns@aol.com. Training will be provided.

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

Welcome Center

We need people to greet visitors and congregants at the Welcome Center thirty minutes prior to Saturday or Sunday Worship Services. This is a very easy way to connect as a volunteer for the first time. Training is provided.

Contact: Barb Prindle (352) 750-4529 or bprindle@ncumcfl.com

Time, Talents, and Treasures



John Had It Right

John Wesley was an incredible servant of God. His motto was, "Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all of the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as you ever can." What a great motto to live by! Whether it's little things or big things, doing good is pleasing to God.

Most of us retired from our careers to move to The Villages, but we never retire from serving God. Look above at "Volunteer Central" or elsewhere in this newsletter and see the many places and things you can do to serve. Serving our Lord and Savior is a fun thing.





March Women's Gathering

Thursday, March 19 from 10–11:45 a.m. — Fellowship Center

Sharing meals played a vital role in the ministry and mission of Jesus. A shared meal represents friendship, community, hospitality, and grace. Lynn VanVeelen invites you to "Come to the Table." We will feel God's hospitality, and talk about how to invite others into His grace as Jesus did.

Menu: Roast Pork Tenderloin, Sweet Potato Soufflé, Apple/Date Green Garden Salad, and Marble Sheet Cake with White Frosting

Registration opens Saturday, February 22. The cost is \$10. To register, visit our website at www. ncumcfl.com and click "Portal" at the top of the page. Click the "Registrations" button, then select "Women's Gathering - March 2020." You may also click this link http://bit.ly/ncumc2584 to register.

If you need assistance with registering or don't have a computer, please contact Ashley Hill at (352) 750-4529 or ahill@ncumcfl.com.

Creation Care



Creation Care is a Biblical and scientific study of how God directs us to love and care for His Creation. The answers are all in the Bible — His own words, unbelievably up-to-date. If you have an interest in Creation Care, this exciting and informative group is scheduled to start in late Spring/early Summer.

If you have questions, please contact Peggy Schlairet at (863) 968-3365 (until 9 p.m.).

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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 or (352) 750-4529.



Bargains & Blessings Monthly Pick-up

Saturday, March 7 and Sunday, March 8 — West Parking Lot

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.

The Bargains & Blessings Intake Volunteers ask for your Assistance:

- Please put clean clothing and linens in a clear plastic bag, and put shoes in a separate bag.
- Do not put breakable items in with clothing.
- We Do Not Accept: electronics, printers, VHS DVD players, old TVs, or any broken items.



Saturday, March 7 and Sunday, March 8 — East Narthex

Next weekend, before and after each Worship Service, will be your opportunity to get information about New Covenant's Outreach opportunities, and meet with some of our partnering outreach ministries. See you there!

Upcoming Town Hall Meetings and Church Conference

As we prepare for the Church Conference on March 29 at 3 p.m. in the Summerhill CLC regarding the proposed launch of Lake Deaton and Summerhill as two separate churches, we have scheduled three Town Hall Meetings, as follows: March 16 at 6 p.m. (Lake Deaton Campus), March 17 at 9 a.m. (Summerhill Campus), and March 24 at 4 p.m. (Summerhill Campus).





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.





The ministry is also looking for donations of complete skeins of yarn. You may drop off your donations in the Congregational Care Office. For more information, please visit our website at www.ncumcfl.com, click the "Ministries" tab at the top of the page and select "Congregational Care" from the dashboard list. Scroll down to "Prayer Ministry."



Gary Powell, family and friends on the passing of his father; Angie Rose Wiswesser, family and friends on the passing of her grandmother; Jan Gill, family and friends on the passing of her husband Charles "Chuck" Stamford; Ella Moore, family and friends on the passing of her husband Jack; and the family and friends of Maxine "Max" Kaye Gillotti on her passing.





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.

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

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



Prime Time — Everyone is Invited!

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

Join us for a wonderful meal, singing with Pat Smith and Brian Maderos, moments with Sylvia, table games, and a devotional time with Communion.

Lunch is \$6.25 payable at the door. To make a reservation, please call the Congregational Care Office at (352) 750-4529 by noon on Monday, March 9.



Happy Hands Prayer Shawl Ministry

Wednesdays from 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m. — Classroom 14

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry meets each week. If you are interested in helping, just stop by for a visit. What started as skeins of colorful thread has become an intertwined wrap of prayers to cover shoulders that need divine love and peace — hugging your heart — telling you that God loves, understands, and is with you.



The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for: Jack Stauffer who has bone marrow cancer; Rickelle Nelson who has an ovarian mass; and Don & Angela Skow who have heart and cancer problems. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...

For dates and locations of memorial services, please check our website: www.ncumcfl.com.

New Concerns

Anthony Azzara, Ed Bader, Neil Colella, Lindsey Collins, Jodi Cook, Ed Curfman, Jackie McCollum, Megan & Sophia, Michael, Jack & Ella Moore, Patty Nuernberg, Jake Pitts, Jordanna, Sue Latham, Kevin St. Amant, William Thurber, Jeremy Weaver, Tom & Lynn Wennstrom, Patty White, Mary Wilcox

Membership Status

Only Full Members are permitted to vote in Church Conferences. Associate Members and Affiliate Members may not vote, but may certainly attend any conferences. If you want to confirm your membership status or discuss changing it, please contact the Church Office.

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

- The interactive links in the electronic newsletter
- www.ncumcfl.com/events
- 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.



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 <u>www.itickets.com/register/new/442510</u> 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.



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 are also available at The Villages Box Office. If you are reading this electronically, click this link https://www.itickets.com/register/new/441820 to purchase tickets.

A portion of the Net Proceeds will benefit the Wildwood Food Pantry.



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 <u>https://www.itickets.com/register/new/441282</u> to purchase tickets.

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



Palm Sunday Choir Concert — "Resurrection Celebration" Saturday, April 4 at 5 p.m. — Summerhill Campus (There will be NO Saturday evening Worship Service) Sunday, April 5 at 3 p.m. — Summerhill Campus

Wes Hampton, tenor with the Gaither Vocal Band, and Angie Rose, mezzo-soprano, are joined by the combined Chancel Choirs, The Praise Ringers, and orchestra in our annual Palm Sunday weekend concerts. Accompany us on this musical journey, as we shout Hosannas during the procession of Jesus into Jerusalem, travel solemnly to the cross, and then jubilantly celebrate the resurrection of our Savior.

Free tickets will be available on iTickets beginning Saturday, February 29. If you are reading this electronically, click this link <u>https://www.itickets.com/register/new/444211</u> to get your tickets.



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 beginning March 12.

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



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.



Angie Rose. One Woman ... All Swing! Featuring Jerry Bruno & "Out of LA"

Friday, May 1 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Campus

Angie is back and this time will team up with nationally-recognized drummer and music director Jerry Bruno and his band, "Out Of LA," in a celebration of the Great American Song Book.

Step back in time to the days of *Stompin' At The Savoy*, when life was 'S *Wonderful*, but you weren't quite ready to go *All the Way*! *Come Rain or Come Shine*, hear Angie and "Out of LA" pay tribute to a time when your biggest concern was *How High The Moon*! One Woman...All Swing! Come hear Angie *Sing*, *Sing*, *Sing*!

Save the Date May 3 • The Villages Flute Choir May 7 • The Booth Brothers