FaithWORSHIP ESTE



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.



"Thank You" Pastor Dan!

New Covenant thanks Pastor Dan Johnson for his service as Interim Pastor during the past few months while Pastor Harold has been recuperating. Dan's last service preaching will be next weekend, March 14/15.

If you'd like to leave a card for Dan and his wife, Jan, baskets will be available at the Welcome Center. We are delighted that Dan will continue supporting us as a leader on the Transition Team.





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! We are in need of candy donations for the eggs. However, we prefer NO chocolate. Candy may be dropped off at the Children's Room or the Administration Office.

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.

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).

SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS...

"Forgiveness is unlocking a prison and realizing the prisoner set free is me."

—Max Lucado

Dear God, as I gladly receive your forgiveness, grant me also the will and ability to forgive ______. Amer

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 Class				
	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.

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

LAKE DEATON ADDRESS: 6500 WESLEYAN WAY (FORMERLY COUNTY ROAD 143), 34785

> PHONE: 352-750-4529 FAX: 352-259-2971

EMAIL: NCUMC@NCUMCFL.COM WEBSITE: WWW.NCUMCFL.COM

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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.

Worship Attendance for Last Week: 3,491

(Ash Wednesday, Summerhill) 340 · (Summerhill Saturday) 312

(Summerhill Sunday) 7:45–249 · 9:15–835 · 10:45–727

(Ash Wednesday, Lake Deaton) 153 · (Lake Deaton) 8:00-95 · 9:30–426 · 11:00–175

(Orchard Worship) 5 · (Grounded Youth Group) 24 · (Fresh Expressions) 150

SUMMERHILL CAMPUS

NEW COVENANT

<u>Our Mission</u>: To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the World.

<u>Our Vision</u>: 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



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



Missions & Control Outreach MINISTRY FAIR

You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important, love your neighbor as yourself. (Matthew 22:37-39)

Our congregation is passionate about serving Christ through serving others and making our community a better place. Outreach is one of the most vital components of our church. We can be the hands, feet, and voice of Jesus Christ, and in doing so, be a blessing to others.

Please visit the tables in the East Narthex to learn more about some of the Missions and Outreach opportunities of New Covenant United Methodist Church.







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 is open now! 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.



An Exciting New Opportunity for Couples

Wednesday, March 18 and 25 at 6:30 p.m. — Classroom 1

Are you a couple who would like to be in a small group? We invite all couples who are interested in being in a small group to attend our "Couples Kick-off Sessions." You will learn about New Covenant Connect Small Groups, meet other couples, get a mini-facilitator lesson, and participate in a small group session. Our hope is that at the end of these two sessions, you will have a new couples small group formed and on the way to being "better together."

If you would like more information or would like to sign up for our Couples Kickoff session, please contact Sandy Thornton at (215) 593-6076 or grammomsandy@gmail.com. Please RSVP so that we know how many people to expect. Light refreshments will be available.

Thank You for Your Support of our Ministries			
Concert/Event	Ministry Supported	Proceeds	
Men's Movie and a Dinner	Youth Summer Mission Trips	\$444	
Steven Scheschareg Recital	Worship Ministry, Summerhill	\$535	
An Evening of Hope	House of Hope	\$7,782	
The Villages Symphonic Winds	Beds and Blankets	\$2,026	
"Souper Bowl of Caring"	Wildwood Soup Kitchen	\$4,365	
Seeds of Hope Concert	Wildwood Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen	\$3,325 and 1,070 pounds of Food	
Mike Williams Night of Comedy	½ to Youth Summer Mission Trips and ½ to Crossover Cups Mission	\$5,125	
Greater Vision Concert	Men's Ministry, Summerhill	\$3,098	

Time, Talents, and Treasures



Thanks for Your Continued Support

Our beloved Pastor Harold is scheduled to return in just over a week, and won't that be an exciting day? Don't you agree that our staff and ministers have done an outstanding job of keeping our church, your church, running smoothly? We are very fortunate to have every one of them. Be sure to thank them as you see them.

Thank you for your continued attendance and financial support during this time. Most of us have no idea what it takes to run a church this size. I will tell you. We have over 50 employees, full-time and part-time, on two campuses and four ministers. It costs a little over \$16,000 per day to run both campuses.

Once again, thank you for your continued support.

Charles Stuart, Chair, Finance Team

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.

VOLUNTEER CENTRAL



Volunteer Spotlight: Sandy Miller

Sandy Miller has been a member of our church since 2002. She has dedicated herself to making our Library exceptional for almost 18 years. With a kind heart, her time and dedication to our church is a true gift.

The Library has grown from one rolling rack of books in 2000 to the current total of 10,228 books. Sandy keeps a church history from the newspaper articles, photos, and all small group materials organized and catalogued.

If you have time, stop in the Library and say hello to her.



Appreciation to Our Coffee Bar Volunteers!

A note of thanks to all the wonderful volunteers that help with the Coffee Bar on Sundays. As you know this is a complimentary service we offer each Sunday. We provide over 2,500 cups of coffee and serve 700 homemade cookies, restock the counter, and clean up after church services.

If you can make coffee — we need you!

This free hospitality runs from 7:15 to 10:45 each Sunday morning. Without the tireless efforts of these volunteers, we would not be able to do this.

If you feel you can give of your time to help on Sunday for our early shift, please contact Barb Prindle at bprindle@ncumcfl.com.



WGROWTH 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
- Contact: (Sunday) Lesan or Jill VanSyckle at (352) 751-7447 Livansyckle20@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

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.

Congregational Care



Flu Season is Here

In light of recent developments with the Coronavirus, combined with the current cold and flu season, we are taking extra measures for everyone's health and safety. You will begin to notice additional hand sanitizers around the church, as well as hand sanitizers and tissues in every classroom. We will be instituting a change in our Communion practices during this season, and we also suggest you not shake hands, but welcome each other with fist bumps.

If you are not feeling well, we encourage you to stay home and watch the livestream Worship Service on Facebook on Sundays at 9:15 a.m. You can also watch the video replay on the website, available by Wednesday. Thank you for your cooperation in helping all of us stay well.



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.



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.



The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for: Jeff Lanum who has a rare blood disorder; Scott Kohn who has stage-4 stomach cancer; Jim Martin who has terminal cancer; Jackie Hernandez who has end-stage lymphoma; Patty White who has blood clots preventing surgery; and the Family of Ida Smith. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...

Rev. Theo Gee, family and friends on the passing of his wife Louise; Brad Pettit, family and friends on the passing of his wife Della Louise; and the family and friends of Ida Smith on her passing.

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

New Concerns

Taylor Alberti, Bridget Butcher, Brice Beaver, Teche Bennett, Kathleen Cannon, Keith Coates, Ryann Cuomo, Pat Doneth, Edward Froberg, Alice Gatecliff, Dean Grundmann, Louie, Jeff Lanum, James Martin, Ken McCormick, Family & Friends, Bonnie & Clark Mosier, Multiple Sclerosis Patients, Bill Thurber, Kimber Townsend, Lee Van Horn, Bob & Charlotte White, Bill Zierdt

Missions & Outreac



Children's Home — Day On Campus

Saturday, March 28 — Buses leave both campuses at 7:30 a.m.

Every year, hundreds of friends and family come to the main campus of the Florida United Methodist Children's Home for a special open house called Day on Campus. The Day on Campus includes tours of the Enterprise campus, special performances, resident testimonies, a picnic lunch, and wonderful fellowship with others from across the state.

Schedule of Events

- 9 a.m. Gates Open, Tour Campus
- 11 a.m. Program in Gymnasium
- Campus Tours Resume

9:30 a.m. — Breakout Sessions

12 p.m. — Picnic lunch under the Big Tent

(provided by the Children's Home)

Sign up is required. If you would like to be part of Day on Campus, please stop at the Children's Home table at the Missions Fair. New Covenant will provide buses leaving from both campuses to enjoy learning about all the wonderful things being done through the Children's Home.

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
- 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.



Celebration Brass Band with Special Guests

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

Joining the Celebration Brass Band, conducted by Jill VanSyckle, 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

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

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. Click this link https://www.itickets.com/register/new/441282 to purchase tickets, if you are reading this electronically.

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.

Click this link https://www.itickets.com/register/new/444211 to get your FREE tickets, if you are reading this electronically.



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 this ensemble as they march to the sounds of composers Vaughan Williams, Grieg, Shostakovich, Prokofiev and of course, everyone's favorite Sousa.

This ensemble has LOTS of Wind, but NO strings attached! Hear French horns, trumpets, trombones, baritones, and tubas. The REED instruments join along in the fun — saxophones, flutes, clarinets, oboes and bassoon. And, there's PERCUSSION, too! The top-notch musicians in this ensemble are "invited" to participate, under the direction of Jill VanSyckle.

Tickets: \$15

Tickets will be available beginning March 7 through iTickets and at our Ticket Kiosk between weekend Worship Services. Click this link https://www.itickets.com/register/new/444444 to purchase tickets, if you are reading this electronically.

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!

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

Tickets will be available beginning March 14 through iTickets and at our Ticket Kiosk between weekend Worship Services. Tickets will also be available at The Villages Box office beginning March 26.

Presented in partnership with the Worship Ministry of New Covenant, Summerhill Campus.



The Villages Flute Choir

Sunday, May 3 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus

Join this group as they dance their way through the ages. Directed by Linda Quinn, selections will include Gabriel Faure's Pavanne, Ernesto Lecuona's Malagueña and a medley of George M. Cohan.

\$10 (At-door suggested donation)

Supports the Alzheimer's Ministry of New Covenant.



The Booth Brothers

Thursday, May 7 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Campus

Ronnie, Michael, and Paul love Southern Gospel music. They believe it touches the soul and offers encouragement and hope. By singing and ministering to audiences through word and song, these gentlemen are fulfilling God's call on their lives. Refreshing humor, inspiring songs, and encouraging words are embedded in every concert.

Watch the newsletters and church website for ticketing information.

Sponsored by the Discipleship and Worship Ministries of New Covenant, Summerhill campus.