

ALTAR FLOWERS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED BY...

Your church family in honor of our confirmands; and John & Rita Fleming in celebration of their anniversary.

The Ticket Kiosk has closed for the season, but will reopen this fall. As we move into the fall, prayerfully consider if you would like to become a part of this team of volunteers.

VOLUNTEER CENTRAL



Connectional Ministry Volunteers Needed

The Connectional team has several volunteer positions within the church. If you can spare an hour or less a week to help us, we would be very appreciative. We have openings as phone callers, Welcome Center volunteers, attendance books, coffee bar, etc.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Barb Prindle at (352) 750-4529 or bprindle@ncumcfl.com.



Volunteers Needed for Family Ministry

If you have any experience working with children and/or youth, we invite you to become a volunteer in our Family Ministry. We have opportunities to serve in a variety of ministries — from Orchard Kids Worship to Grounded Youth Group to our Performing Arts after-school program.

If you're interested or would like more information, please contact Kayla DeSimone, Family Minister, at kdesimone@ncumcfl.com.



Bargains & Blessings Needs Volunteers

Our Bargains & Blessings Resale Store is in great need of volunteers to work as cashiers, customer assistants, schedulers, drivers, and helpers two or three one-half days a month.

For more information, please contact Betty Montgomery at (352) 751-6798 or bargainsandblessings@ncumcfl.com.

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Purchase Your New Coffee Mug!

Mugs are available at the kiosk in the East Narthex. When you purchase one mug for yourself at \$10, you are underwriting two more mugs for first-time visitors! Thank you for your continued support of being a welcoming and invitational community of faith!



Women's Connect Small Groups

Two new groups have just begun. One meets Mondays from 1-3 p.m. at the church. The other meets Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in homes in neighborhoods just north of 466A. (Buttonwood, Duvall, St. James, Liberty Park, etc.) Both groups are reading and discussing Max Lucado's, *Cast of Characters: Common People in the Hands of an Uncommon God*.

If you would like more information about either group, please contact Roberta Hays at rkays@comcast.net or Wanda Eavers at nanney9@comcast.net.

Are you interested in learning more about a small group and the benefits of being with 8-10 others to share your spiritual journey? Stop by the kiosk in the East Narthex and talk with a member of our Connect Small Group leadership team and learn how you could get connected in a group.

Love God! Love Others! Together is Better!

SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS

We have not yet been shown what we will be in the future. But we know that when Christ comes again, we will be like him.
—1 John 3:2

Lord, you teach us there is a harvest out there, but it's up to us to bring it in. Evidently, laborers are few and far between. Give us the will, courage, and fortitude to say, "Count me in. I am ready to step into the mission field for you." In Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

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	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 Book of James	Classroom 2
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders	The Epistle of James (NO Class next week)	Classroom 11
9:15 a.m.	Faith Finders	Hebrews: Linking the Old and New Testaments	Chapel
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	Discipleship and Mission	Classrooms 6/7
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	Wind Energy	Classroom 14
10:30 a.m.	The Searchers	Hebrews: Linking the Old and New Testaments	Chapel
10:45 a.m.	Wesley Class	Dr David Jeremiah: Time, Talents, and Treasures	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. (CLASSROOM 1)

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



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*ONLY THROUGH MAY 26, 2019

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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: 2,277

(Fresh Expressions) 55 • (Saturday Contemporary) 275
(Orchard Worship) 10 • (Grounded Youth Group) 11
(Summerhill Sunday) 7:45-181 • 9:15-664 • 10:45-523
(Lake Deaton) 8:00-78 • 9:30-339 • 11:00-141

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

MAY 18 & 19, 2019

Rev. Harold Hendren, Senior Pastor
Rev. Jim Divine, Lake Deaton Pastor
Rev. Kristyne Young, Lake Deaton Discipleship Pastor
Rev. Marilyn Anell, Visitation Pastor

2019 Confirmation Class

Please join us in congratulating this year's confirmation class! After taking eight weeks of classes, attending a weekend-long Confirmation Retreat, and learning more about our Savior Jesus Christ, the following seven youth have made the decision to become confirmed in the United Methodist Church.

- London Campbell
- Reese Chavis
- Natalee Elstad
- Maya Kindle
- Brooke Meadows*
- Michael Mills*
- Ciersha Verzaal*

Names listed with an asterisk beside them have also made the next step in their faith by being baptized.

Congratulations to these inspiring youth, and to their families for their support!



The Pathfinders Class next Sunday, May 26, has been canceled. See you June 2.



ABBA Art Exhibit — THIS WEEKEND! Finding God's Love in His Holy Spirit and Art

This weekend between Worship Services — Cardinal Alcove

Enjoy and be amazed as each artist chooses their own subject (from his/her heart) and any medium.

ABBA Art meets each Tuesday in Classroom 6/7 from 1:30-4 p.m. from September through May. For more information, please contact Cindy O'Lear at (810) 919-4370.



West Parking Lot Renovations

We will be working on improving the West Parking Lot at the end of May. Areas where you currently see gravel and clay will be removed and filled with clean dirt, then sod will be placed in those areas.

In order to ensure the grass has time to "take," we need to block off these areas and not allow car or golf cart parking for three months. There is plenty of parking during this time in the East Parking Lot and still a lot in the West Parking Lot. We appreciate your cooperation during this time.



Website Update

Need to put a face to a name? On our website go to 'Who We Are,' then click our staff. There you will be able to see a persons name, title, and you can even email them directly.



Annual Bishop's Love Offering

Saturday and Sunday, May 25 and 26

The Bishop's Offering for Annual Conference 2019 will be divided evenly between a restart of the FAMU Wesley Foundation in Tallahassee and planting a new church in Lowell Women's Prison in Reddick. Please use the envelopes in next weekend's newsletters for your love offering. Please make checks payable to "NCUMC" and note "Bishop's Offering" on the memo line.

To view Bishop Carter's video as he explains how this year's annual conference offering will be used, go to www.flumc.org/bishops-offering-video-19.

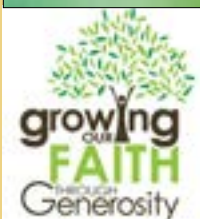
Impact at Florida A&M University Wesley Foundation

Part of our vision for IMPACT@FAMU Wesley Foundation is to create a "home away from home" for our students, an office/pastoral care area for the Executive Director, and a place to worship, gather, learn, play, and pray for the FAMU campus at large. This space, the IMPACT House, is a spiritual Living & Learning Experience for our IMPACT FAMUly. The money collected via this offering will help to make this vision a reality.

Lowell Correctional Institution

The Florida Conference is joining a trend in the US by placing a United Methodist Church inside a state prison. A pastor will be assigned to serve at Lowell, which the Conference officials chose because it houses the most women (3,054) in a correctional institution in the United States, including three on death row.

Time, Talents, and Treasures



Stewardship: Handling God's Blessings His Way for His Glory

Did you know that the National Average for Tithing is 10-25 percent of any church congregation, and 37 percent of regular church attendees don't claim to give anything to the church.

The challenge for all of us is to be obedient to what Christ is calling us to give to His Church and just give it. Are you up to the challenge?

Congregational Care



Let Us Care For You!

We love you and want to walk with you, pray with you, and to care for you at any time of need in your life. Let us know if you would like a Stephen Minister or a Congregational Care Minister (CCM) to contact you. Let us know if we can pray with you. If you are going to be in the hospital, or receiving rehab services, we truly want to reach out to you.

If you are dealing with a crisis or emergency in your life, we are here. Just let us know by calling the Congregational Care Office at (352) 750-4529.



Serenity Garden Columbarium

The choice of cremation over in-ground burial is growing at a rapid rate. In some states, like Florida and California, it is now in the majority. The rapid increase in the acceptance of cremation has provided the church with an exceptional opportunity to offer a peaceful and serene final resting place at the church.

Of the original 228 niches provided, 177 have been sold, leaving 51 available. Plans are now underway for the addition of four, two-sided, free-standing units which will provide 224 more niches. There is also a Memorial Monument that is designed to accommodate bronze memorial plates for the purpose of remembering loved ones.

The Serenity Garden Columbarium, located at the Summerhill Campus on the north side of the East Parking Lot, was built to provide such a place for all New Covenant church members and their loved ones.

For more information, please pick up a Columbarium brochure from the wall rack in the East or West Narthex, or stop by the church office.



Prayers & Squares Prayer Quilts

Prayer Quilts are made by a dedicated group in our church at both campuses who envision these being a special gift of love for: sick babies; those dealing with cancer, in hospice or other terminally ill patients; adults and children facing surgery; or people facing difficult family situations — for many different reasons — but each for someone in special need of prayer.

For Prayer Quilt requests, please visit our website at www.ncumcfl.com, select the "Portal" tab at the top of the page, and click the "Congregational Care" button, then "Submit a Prayer Quilt Request" button, and select Summerhill or Lake Deaton. You may also get a "Prayer Quilt Request Card" in the Attendance Pads, at the Welcome Center, Congregational Care Office, and Administration Office.



Congregational Health

Our ministry offers two lecture series a year, either at Summerhill or Lake Deaton. You will be hearing more about those in the weeks to come. We also sponsor the Yoga Ministry at both campuses, and will be planning a health and wellness expo.

As we offer these ministries, and perhaps others, we are looking for a few more volunteers. If that sounds like something that interests you, please contact us in the Congregational Care Office at (352) 750-4529.



Holy Land Trip 2020

Join Pastor Harold as he takes a group to the Holy Land from March 16 to 25, 2020. If you would like more information and/or plan to join him on the trip, please email Jo Jones at jjones@ncumcfl.com so she can forward information to you and add you to the communication list.

Congregational Care



Hope for Hurting Parents

Thursday, May 23 at 2 p.m. — Chapel

Tom and Dena Yohe, the founders of Hope for Hurting Parents, will be with us this week!

Hope for Hurting Parents is a Biblically-based support group for parents and grandparents of children who struggle with various paths of destruction and pain. These paths may include addiction, mental illness, incarceration, estrangement, and more. If you have considered attending, this may be a great time for you to come.

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



YOGA!

Mondays at Lake Deaton and Wednesdays at Summerhill

The Intermediate classes begin at 4 p.m. and the Beginner classes begin at 5 p.m. A suggested donation of \$3 per class supports our Congregational Health Ministry. We encourage you to bring a yoga mat and a water bottle, however, there are extra mats and blocks available.

For more information about the Summerhill classes, please contact Kayla DeSimone at kdesimone@ncumcfl.com and for the Lake Deaton classes, please contact Karen Hughes at twofortydesign@hotmail.com.

Please Note: Wednesday, May 22 will be the last class at Summerhill for the season. We will resume classes at Summerhill in the fall. Also, there will be NO Yoga classes at the Lake Deaton campus on Monday, May 27 in honor of Memorial Day.



Happy Hands Prayer Shawl Ministry

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

If you are interested in helping with this ministry, you may join us any time. 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.

This Ministry is also looking for donations of yarn. You may drop off your donations in the Congregational Care Office. For more information, please visit our website at www.ncumcfl.com, select the "Who We Are" tab at the top of the page, and select "Congregational Care" from the drop-down list.



The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for: George Blake who has organ failure; Roger Break who had brain surgery and is in coma; Lewis C. Knopp who has late-stage Alzheimer's; Kari Dorn who has seizures from a brain tumor; Eileen Horowic who has stage-4 cancer; and William N. Parham, Jr. who needs a kidney. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...

Bill & Karen McClelland, family & friends on the passing of their daughter Melissa Bond; and Kristie Faison, family and friends on the passing of her husband Jim.

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

New Concerns

Amy, Bill Craft, Kay Freeman, Jim Bone, Louise Clark, Janice Delcolle, Ben Ford, Eileen Horowic, Trudie Pederson, Bob Nelson, Keith Nix, William N. Parham, Jr., Marsha Wadd & sons Dean & Matt Wadd