ALTAR FLOWERS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED BY...

Don Stephenson in memory of Sue Stephenson; and Pat Elwell in memory of her husband Ellis B. Elwell.





New Sermon Series

What's So Amazing About Grace?

Next week, Pastor Harold begins a four-part series titled, What's So Amazing About Grace? Join us as we explore the depth and love of God's amazing



Choir Rehearsals Resume August 14 Wednesdays at 6 p.m. — Classroom 8/9

If you want to be part of a group who enjoys singing together, as well as leading our congregants in worship, please join us. Auditions are NOT REQUIRED!

Contact Sean Pollock at spollock@ncumcfl.com for more information.



Holy Land Trip 2020 Informational Meeting

Tuesday, November 12 at 10 a.m. – Chapel

If you are considering joining Pastor Harold on the March 16 to 25, 2020 trip to the Holy Land, please join us for a meeting to get information and ask questions you may have. If you want more information, please email Jo Jones at jjones@ncumcfl.com so she can add you to the communication list.



Attendance Pads

Please don't forget to sign the Attendance Pads. If you do not sign in, we assume you are not here. Connectional Ministry places calls to anyone that has not attended in four weeks to make sure everything is okay. If you are seasonal, let the Connectional Office know and we will make that notation.



Family Ministry Needs Your Input

Wednesday, August 21 at 6 p.m. — Classroom 3

We want to hear from you! It takes all parts of the Body of Christ to grow, sustain, and nurture our ministries. Please join us to share ideas and discuss how we can support our thriving Family Ministry. Childcare will be available.

We will also provide delicious pizza! If you're planning to attend, please RSVP to Kayla DeSimone, Family Minister, at (352) 750-4529 or kdesimone@ncumcfl.com. Hope we see you there!



Back-to-School Cookout & Pool Party

Saturday, August 24 from 11 a.m.–2 p.m. — Yorkston's Home

Family Ministry is hosting a back-to-school cookout & pool party! Children and families are welcome to join us for some Fall fun.

There will be food and snacks — just bring your swim suit!

For directions and to RSVP, contact Kayla DeSimone, Family Minister, at kdesimone@ncumcfl.com.



Thanks from Our Family Ministry

A huge thank you to all our adult and youth volunteers who assisted with Family Ministry's summer camps and events! It is a blessing when the body of Christ comes together to share with others the love and amazing message of God. We are grateful for everyone who had a hand in making this Summer the best one vet!

SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS...

"We all float on the same ocean. When the tide rises, it benefits everyone." -Max Lucado

Lord, when the storms of life come blowing in, with you by our side, give us courage to face what confronts us. Keep us afloat! In Jesus' name, 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: Near to the Heart of God	Chapel
9:15 a.m.	Childcare	Children ages newborn to 5 years old	Children's Room
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	The Parable of the Prodigal Son	Classroom 2
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders	A Tour of Prophesy	Classroom 11
9:15 a.m.	Faith Finders	Hebrews: Near to the Heart of God	Chapel
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	Living in Covenant	Classroom 6/7
10:30 a.m.	Apologetics	CLASS CANCELED UNTIL OCTOBER	
10:30 a.m.	Spirited Singles	Acts	Classroom 3
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Focus Groups and Faith	Classroom 14
10:30 a.m.	The Searchers	Hebrews: Near to the Heart of God	Chapel
10:45 a.m.	Wesley Class	Life and Ministry of the Messiah — John Vander Laan	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 9:30 A.M. • TRADITIONAL 11 A.M. MAILING ADDRESS FOR BOTH CAMPUSES: 3470 WOODRIDGE DR. THE VILLAGES, FL 32162

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

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

FACEBOOK: NEW COVENANT UMC, SUMMERHILL CAMPUS

♣ 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: 2,064 (Summerhill Saturday) 251 · (Summerhill Sunday) 7:45-162 · 9:15-539 · 10:45-504 (Lake Deaton) 9:30-315 · 11:00-140

(Orchard Worship) 12 · (Grounded Youth Group) 38 · (Fresh Expressions) 103

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.

Hospitality ~ Generosity ~ Community ~ Invitational ~ Service ~ Caring



AUGUST 10 & 11, 2019

Rev. Harold Hendren, Senior Pastor

Rev. Jim Divine, Lake Deaton Pastor

Rev. Ellen Pollock. Summerhill

Rev. Kristyne Young, Lake Deaton

Discipleship Pastor

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SAFETY IS IMPORTANT TO NEW COVENANT!

Sadly, with the many tragedies that happen across America, we are often asked what New Covenant is doing to ensure the safety of our congregants, visitors, and staff. We'd like to share some of the ways New Covenant is addressing these concerns:

- The Risk Management Committee meets monthly to review safety procedures and potential hazards for both the Summerhill and Lake Deaton Campuses, as well as Bargains & Blessings. Committee members include both campuses' Disaster Response Coordinators, as well as former law enforcement and insurance professionals.
- There are many safety features already in place at both campuses:
- » A Disaster Response Plan
- » Security alarms, cameras, and panic buttons
- » Ongoing safety training for Ushers, Greeters, Staff
- » Easily Accessible First Aid Kits, AEDs, and Fire Extinguishers
- » Strong partnership with the Sumter County Sheriff's Department, which includes coverage at Sunday Worship Services, and events exceeding 500 people. The Deputy assists with traffic, but also patrols the campus and facility while creating a presence.

Expanded Handicap Seating

To ensure safety and easy exiting during an emergency, handicap seating areas are now clearly identified. The Ushers will assist persons with special needs when entering the Christian Life Center to move towards the designated seating. There is also a marked companion seat available, along with space to keep your wheelchair/walker with you. A seating diagram is available at each entrance to the Christian Life Center. This is for your safety as well as the safety of those around you. Neither the chair markers or the chairs should be moved.

For more information about Safety at New Covenant, please contact Bob Koehling, New Covenant Risk Management Chair, at jrkoehlingjunk@gmail.com, or Larry Frum, Disaster Response Coordinator (Summerhill Campus), at frumlarry@aol.com.





Volunteers Needed!

Coffee Bar Greeter

Volunteer Job Description: Help at the Coffee Bar to make coffee and restock counter. Training will be provided. Sundays 7–9 a.m. or 9–11 a.m.

Volunteer Leader: Howard Bond at (352) 753-0356 or hdbond77@gmail.com

Media Volunteers

Volunteer Job Description: To assist technology staff with assignments for Worship Service or presentations. Can be on a service-by-service basis or entire Saturday night or Sunday morning. Will work in conjunction with staff. This is an exciting opportunity to use or learn technical skills by assisting in the A/V booth with lights, sound, cameras, or ProPresenter. No experience required! Training will be provided.

Volunteer Leaders: David Berardi at <u>dberardi@ncumcfl.com</u> or (352) 750-4529 for ProPresenter and camera operators or Jim Petrone at <u>jpetrone@ncumcfl.com</u> or (352) 750-4529 for lights and sound.

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Volunteer Job Description: Help is needed for various kitchen duties, such as washing dishes, cleaning up, and preparing for Men's Prayer Breakfast. Training will be provided.

Volunteer Leader: John Drake at (515) 314-1627 or jsdrake1@msn.com

Welcome Center

Volunteer Job Description: Greet visitors and congregants at the Welcome Center. Answer questions about various church activities and resources. Thirty to forty minutes prior to or after service on Saturday evening or Sunday morning. Training is provided.

Volunteer Leader: Barb Prindle at (352) 750-4529 or bprindle@ncumcfl.com

Thank You, Graduates of the Lay Servant Ministries "Basic Course" Training
(Summerhill) Charlene English, Connie Tarburton, George deJager
(Lake Deaton) Mary L. Hudson, Bill & Nancy Thurber, Nancy Ward





ZOE Empowers – Zimbabwe, Africa Team

Sunday, August 18 at 7:45, 9:15, or 10:30 a.m. — Chapel

If you would like to hear more about New Covenant's Zoe Empowers mission trip to Zimbabwe, Africa, please join us during one of these three opportunities. You will hear about the ZOE Empowers program, see pictures, hear from team members, and ask questions.



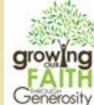
Early Response Team Certification

Thursday, September 12 at 6:30 p.m. — Classroom 6/7

If you are interested in becoming an Early Response Team member, please mark your calendar. This meeting is for all presently certified members as well as those who wish to become certified.

If you cannot make it to the meeting and still wish to get certified, call Jim Watson at (352) 205-8553, Jay Schmidt at (936) 697-3442, or Ken Bowgren at (630) 750-2210. We hope to schedule a certification class in the Fall of 2019.

Time, Talents, and Treasures



Stewardship Note

"The measure of a life, after all, is not its duration, but its donation."
—Corrie ten Boom

This week, think and pray about how God might be moving you to donate your time, talent, and treasure to Him. Every minute, effort, and dime given in God's name, moves goodness into His world.

DISCIPLESHIP BIBLE STUDIES



Community Bible Study "Open House"

Monday, August 12 from 1–3 p.m. — Classrooms 2 & 3

Community Bible Study (CBS), an international, interdenominational Bible Study organization, will hold an "Open House" at New Covenant. This is a time to register, meet leaders, review course material, and ask questions. We will be studying Galatians (6 weeks), Joshua (6 weeks), 1 & 2 Thessalonians (6 weeks), and Christian Leadership (12 weeks). Pre-registrants may pick up their workbooks.

CBS is open to anyone who is interested in learning more about the Bible regardless of age, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, education, church membership, or level of Bible knowledge. The class is open to women and men, and will meet on Mondays from 3–5 p.m., September 9 through May 4.



Whiteboard Sessions: Focused Learning Opportunities! Wednesday September 11 at 3 p.m. — Fellowship Center

Bible 101: Learn about the history of the Bible, various versions, and comparisons. Gain information about resource guides and commentaries. This class is designed for any level of learner — beginner or advanced. You will enjoy this fun and engaging session with teacher Chris Wile. No registration required!



Seamless — A Women's Small Group Bible Study

Thursdays, August 22-October 3, from 2-3:30 p.m. — Classroom 1

This is a seven-session, Women's Bible study, facilitated by Elaine Buckey, that helps to tie all scripture together with "seamless" clarity.

Class cost is \$15 and includes your book. Maximum enrollment of 12 per class.

To register, go to http://bit.ly/ncumc2423.

If you have any questions, please contact Ashley Hill at ahill@ncumcfl.com or (352) 750-4529.



Fall Women's Ministry Gathering Kick-off

Thursday, September 19 from 10 a.m.– 1 p.m. — Fellowship Center

To kick off our Fall Women's Ministry, it is with great excitement that we welcome Pastor Vidalis Lopez as our guest speaker!

To register, go to http://bit.ly/NCUMC2446.

Tickets: \$10

For more information, please contact Kay Wicklander at gkw2004@comcast.com or (352) 750-9915, or Ashley Hill at ahill@ncumcfl.com or (352) 750-4529.



All Things New — Women's Bible Study

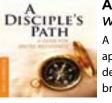
Tuesdays, September 24–November 12 from 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

During this eight-week session, Kelly Minter will lead us through 2 Corinthians. The city of ancient Corinth was much like our own modern-day cities — a melting pot of electrifying cultural experiences, along with the pitfalls of spiritual depravity.

Class cost is \$20 and includes book and materials.

All registrations will be done online. Registration begins Saturday, September 7.

For more information, please contact Shelia Clinton at skclin11@gmail.com or Pam Little at littlepam76@gmail.com.



A Disciple's Path Class

Wednesdays, September 25–November 6 from 9–10:30 a.m. — CR 3

A Disciple's Path helps us look beyond membership, presenting an engaging approach to discipleship from a distinctly Wesleyan perspective. It helps you to develop spiritual practices, utilize your unique gifts, and engage in ministry that brings transformation to your own life and to the lives of others and the world.

The cost of the class is \$23. To register, go to http://bit.ly/ncumc2391.

If you have any questions, please contact Barb Prindle at bprindle@ncumcfl.com or (352) 750-4529.

Congregational Care



Stephen Ministry is Here for You

If you are in a time of need and could use some help from a trained, caring Christian friend, please consider requesting a Stephen Minister. A Stephen Minister will walk with you through a crisis, providing long-term compassionate, confidential fellowship, a listening ear, and pray for you all the way.

To receive more information on this caring ministry or to receive support, please complete a Care Card found in the Attendance Pad, or call the Congregational Care Office at (352) 750-4529. We are glad to be a Stephen Minister church.



Hospital News

Please let us know if you are having a procedure, surgery, or other type of health challenge. You may complete a Care Card — which can be found in the Attendance Pads — and place it in a Prayer Request box or the offering plate.

If you are not able to contact your church in case of an immediate hospitalization, please designate a neighbor or friend to let us know. It is our privilege to walk with you in prayer.



Home Communion

We offer Communion to those in our faith community who are limited in their ability to leave their homes, reside in assisted-living facilities, or as requested during a hospitalization. Please let us know if you would like to receive Communion, or you know someone that would appreciate Home Communion.

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



Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group

Thursdays from 10–11:30 a.m. — Classrooms 1, 2, 3, 6/7, 10

We are happy to provide both respite care for loved ones, as well as support groups for families dealing with Alzheimer's and dementia. Those involved in this ministry, both the volunteers and those receiving support, share frequently about how much it has impacted their lives.

Because of the popularity of the ministry and space limitations, anyone new seeking respite care for a loved one will be placed on a waiting list. The need for the waiting list enables us to continue to be the most effective, safe, nurturing place of care.

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



Precious Pillows Needs Willing Hands

Your willing hands are needed to help cut, stuff, and/or sew as we make pillowcases for needy children in our tri-county area — including the children in the Ocala Forest. For more information, please call Pat McLaughlin at (386) 688-7873.



The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilt on the altar rail is for Jackie Mays who has lung cancer and is undergoing chemo. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...

Sharon Weimert, family and friends on the passing of her brother Fred Sparks; Karen Menard, family and friends for the loss of husband Don Menard; and Brianna Jimenez, family and friends on the passing of her mother Ruby Layne.

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

New Concerns

Doloros Babbitt, Leslie Beard, Katie Bohner, Gordon Burke Family, Chloe, Donald Engle, Jake, Mike Koman, Steve Kutrip, Renea Mathis, Diane Machande, Robin Marron, Mia Martin, Ed Miller Family, William Moldwin, Chuck Place, Katherine Poole, Francis Robacker, Linda Robacker, Gary Wilkinson, Shirley Yarbro, Bette White



The Fall Concert & Events Brochure is Now Available

Pick up a copy of the Fall Events Brochure in the East or West Narthex and mark your calendars for dates and times of upcoming concerts and events.



New Ticket Vendor — iTickets®

The Events Committee is pleased to announce our new ticket vendor, iTickets. iTickets is a Christian-based company that offers broad exposure for New Covenant and our ministries supported by the various concerts, guest speakers, and artists at New Covenant.

Ticket purchases are easily accessible through the church website at www.ncumcfl.com. Click the "Events," tab at the top of the homepage and select "Tickets." Click on the title of the event to buy tickets for that specific event, then scroll down and click the "Tickets" button. You may also purchase tickets through the interactive newsletter sent with the Pastors' weekly eblast (blue links), or through the iTickets website (www.iTickets.com).

For those who require assistance with purchases, we will re-open the Ticket Kiosk in the Fall. But, don't wait, buy your tickets from the convenience of your home as soon as they become available. Note: We will also continue to use The Villages Box Office for tickets as requested by artists and/or contracts.



Beacon Salon Speaker Series presents: A Night of Chamber Music with the Ritz Chamber Players Wednesday, August 28 at 7 p.m. — Lake Deaton Campus

The Ritz Chamber Players boasts some of the world's preeminent musicians spanning the African diaspora. The ensemble brings a fresh, new energy to the classical music genre.

The concert is sponsored by Beacon College. FREE heavy appetizers will be served starting at 6 p.m. Donations will be accepted with proceeds supporting the Beacon Salon Speaker Series.

Registration is required. To Register, go to www.BeaconCollege.edu/Salon



Angie Rose: One Woman — All Broadway Monday, October 7 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Campus

New Covenant's own Angie Rose will perform the greatest songs that ever hit the Broadway stage! From *The Sound of Music* to *Cats*, and *Carousel* to *Les Mis*, you're sure to hear your favorite! Along with Sean Pollock and the best backing band in The Villages, Angie Rose will pull out all the stops for this Broadway review.

\$25 (Artist Circle) • \$20 (Preferred Seating) • \$15 (General)

To purchase tickets, go to https://www.itickets.com/register/new/433007.

Presented in partnership with the Worship Ministries of New Covenant.



Carole Wolaver — The Pottery Lady

Thursday, October 17, from 10 a.m.– 12:30 p.m. — Summerhill Campus

Please join us for this exciting presentation, "The Master's Pieces." Dramatically presented from the potter's wheel, "The Master's Pieces" is the entire story of the Potter and the Clay, told from the potter's perspective — from beginning to end, from pit to praise — of how God molds and shapes our lives.

Tickets are \$15. To purchase tickets, go to https://www.itickets.com/register/new/431896?.

Sponsored by the New Covenant Women's Ministries of Summerhill and Lake Deaton



The Goodman Revival

Friday, October 18 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Campus

Few names carry a more substantial legacy in the world of Southern gospel than the Goodmans. This trio revives such Goodman classics as, I Wouldn't Take Nothing for My Journey Now, Until You've Known the Love of God, and Who Am I— and breathes fresh life into songs that have defined this genre for decades.

Tickets are: \$25, \$20 and \$15 (Assigned Seats)

To purchase tickets, go to https://www.itickets.com/register/new/432112.

Sponsored by The Journeymen, Lake Deaton Men's Ministry.



Ernie Haase & Signature Sound

Thursday, November 7 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus

Back by popular demand, GRAMMY-nominated and GMA Dove Award-Winning Ernie Haase & Signature Sound will offer energy, excitement, and encouragement through powerful gospel music. They are a world-renowned quartet whose music spans a wide variety of genres and cultures.

Tickets are: \$25, \$20, and \$15

To purchase tickets, go to https://www.itickets.com/register/new/432123.

Sponsored by Beds & Blankets, an Outreach Ministry of New Covenant.

Watch for More Information on These Upcoming Concerts

The Villages Flute Choir: On Wings of the Wind Sunday, November 17 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus

Celebration Brass Band Sunday, November 24 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus