

# Missions & Outreach



## Operation Christmas Shoebox

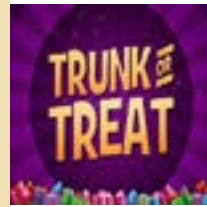
Shoeboxes are still available for you to pick up in the East and West Narthexes between Worship Services. Thanks to a very generous donation, the shoeboxes are FREE. When you pick up your shoebox(es), it will contain complete instructions on how to fill and return it. You will be asked to include \$7 per box to cover the cost of shipping. All boxes must be returned to the church by Sunday, October 27.



## Christmas Wish Tree

Volunteers are needed for the Christmas Wish Tree Ministry each weekend in November before and after Worship Services. We need three people to work at each of the four Christmas trees located in the East and West Narthexes. Your responsibility will be to hand out and record tags, and collect and record returned gifts.

If you would like to volunteer, please call Pam Brown at (319) 321-8934 or stop at the kiosk in the East Narthex, October 19/20 or October 26/27.



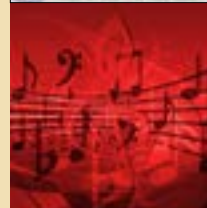
## Trunk or Treat

**Thursday, October 31 from 5-6:30 p.m. — Lake Deaton Parking Lot**

You are invited to participate in this outreach to families with children in the Wildwood and surrounding communities. Join with others and decorate your car or golf cart with something fun, like balloons, or pumpkins or lights, and/or dress up in a costume that is silly and funny, but not scary.

Participants with cars and golf carts are asked to arrive by 4:15 p.m. to be ready by 5 p.m. for the children and their families. Please be prepared with at least 300 pieces of candy. Please avoid hard candy. If you are interested in helping coordinate this event with others, please contact LuAnn Gilbert at [luanngilbert@gmail.com](mailto:luanngilbert@gmail.com) or Tom Gilbert at [trgilbert3@gmail.com](mailto:trgilbert3@gmail.com).

# WORSHIP LORD



## Men's Chorus

**Tuesdays, October 22–November 12 at 9 a.m. — Classrooms 8/9**

The New Covenant Men's Chorus will lead worship on Sunday, November 17 at the 9:15 and 10:45 services. No auditions are required! You do not need to be a member of the Chancel Choir to participate. If you have any questions, please contact Bonnie Fisher at [bonniefisher53@gmail.com](mailto:bonniefisher53@gmail.com).



## Hymn Sing with Ken Wadley and Ed Starner

**Sunday, October 27 at 6 p.m. — Christian Life Center**

Join us for this favorite event as we welcome Ken Wadley, and our former organist, Ed Starner. This will be a great night of singing!



## Handbell Ringers Needed

Do you play handbells? Are you interested in playing with our Praise Ringers? If you are interested, please contact Jean Butler at [butlerjean@comcast.net](mailto:butlerjean@comcast.net).

# TidBits



## North Central District Lay Servants Training Event

**Saturday, November 9 from 8 a.m.–6 p.m. — Celebration UMC**

Celebration UMC is located at 9501 SW Archer Road, Gainesville. Basic Course and Advance Courses are both \$40. Course, books, and meals are included. Registration forms are available at the Welcome Center in the East Narthex.

The deadline to register is Friday, November 1.

If you have any questions, please contact Jack Tarburton at (352) 406-8155 or Walter Dry, North Central District Lay Servant Ministry Coordinator, at [drysr@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:drysr@tampabay.rr.com).

# SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS...

“God does not demand that I be successful. God demands that I be faithful. When facing God, results are not important. Faithfulness is what is important.”  
—Mother Theresa

Lord, as we ponder who we are as Christians, help us to have a positive posture towards others. Let our thoughts, words and deeds reflect our love for you and our neighbor. 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	Traveling with Jesus	Classroom 2
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders	Unlikely Heroes of the Bible	Classroom 11
9:15 a.m.	Faith Finders	Hebrews: Near to the Heart of God	Chapel
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	In God's Image	Classroom 6/7
10:30 a.m.	Spirited Singles	How God Takes Our Little and Makes It Much	Classroom 3
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Preppers and Faith	Classroom 14
10:30 a.m.	The Searchers	Hebrews: Near to the Heart of God	Chapel
10:30 a.m.	The Truth Project	New Class Begins Sunday, November 3	
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](mailto:ncumc@ncumcfl.com)  
WEBSITE: [www.ncumcfl.com](http://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](http://www.hearingloop.org).

## Worship Attendance for Last Week: 2,335

(Summerhill Saturday) 282 • (Summerhill Sunday) 7:45-232 • 9:15-706 • 10:45-468  
(Summerhill Prayer Service) 15 • (Lake Deaton) 8:00-83 • 9:30-319 • 11:00-155  
(Orchard Worship) 7 • (Grounded Youth Group) 33 • (Fresh Expressions) 35

# 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

OCTOBER 19 & 20, 2019

Rev. Harold Hendren, Senior Pastor

Rev. Jim Divine, Lake Deaton Pastor

Rev. Ellen Pollock, Summerhill Discipleship Pastor

Rev. Kristyne Young, Lake Deaton Discipleship Pastor



## Concert & Events Support New Covenant Ministries

At New Covenant, we are blessed to be a church body that has developed a deep love of ministry through worship, arts, and service. Through the marriage of “music, events, and ministry,” financial support is provided through concerts and events at New Covenant.

You will note in the Concerts & Events insert provided each week in our newsletter, that many of our events are presented in partnership with the artist and a ministry of New Covenant. We feel that it is important for you to know that your support of events at New Covenant also provides necessary funds for ministry to continue inside and outside of the church.

Here are some upcoming opportunities to support the ministries of New Covenant, while enjoying our excellent array of special events.

## Ernie Haase & Signature Sound

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

- Tickets are: \$25, \$20, and \$15 (Assigned Seats)
- Sponsored by Beds & Blankets, an Outreach Ministry of New Covenant.

## The Villages Flute Choir: On Wings of the Wind

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- \$10 (At-door Suggested Donation)
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## Celebration Brass Band

**Sunday, November 24 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus**

- \$15 (General Admission)
- Presented in partnership with the Worship Ministry of New Covenant, Summerhill Campus.

## Christmas at New Covenant: “HARK — Angels Visit When We Sing”

**Saturday, December 14 at 7 p.m. and**

**Sunday, December 15 at 3 and 7 p.m. Summerhill Campus**

- Free tickets required for admission.
- A Love Offering will be accepted to support the Worship Ministry of New Covenant.





# CONNECTIONAL MINISTRY



## New Member Classes

Monday, October 21 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.

Go to <http://bit.ly/ncumc2344> to register from home.



## Connect Small Group

The Connect Small Group Ministry team wants to help everyone at New Covenant be part of an active small group. We believe Small Groups are a key to connecting in a Biblical way with others. Groups provide healthy fellowship with 5-12 others in a group marked by Christian love and oneness.

Groups can help you “grow” as a Christian, care for others, and include opportunities for you to use your spiritual gifts to serve others.

There are groups available for couples, men, and women. For more information or to connect in a group, please contact Ashley Hill at [ahill@ncumcfl.com](mailto:ahill@ncumcfl.com) or (352) 750-4529.

# VOLUNTEER CENTRAL



## Volunteers Needed!

### Media Center “Clicker”

Do you use your TV Clicker at home watching TV? Come help us in the sound booth advancing the slides during service. No experience is required! Training will be provided. You will not be working on your own; sound booth staff will always be on duty to assist/train you.

Contact: Dave Berardi at [dberardi@ncumcfl.com](mailto:dberardi@ncumcfl.com) or (352) 750-4529.

### Media Center

We have an exciting opportunity for you to learn or share your technical skills by assisting in the A/V booth with lights, sound, or cameras. No experience is required! Training will be provided.

Contact: David Berardi at [dberardi@ncumcfl.com](mailto:dberardi@ncumcfl.com) for camera operators and Jim Petrone at [jpetrone@ncumcfl.com](mailto:jpetrone@ncumcfl.com) for lights and sound.

### Ushers Needed for ALL Worship Services

We need Ushers to fill vacancies for all Worship Services.

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

### Welcome Center

Greet visitors and congregants at the Welcome Center thirty minutes prior to service or after on Saturday evening or Sunday morning. This is a very easy way to connect as a volunteer for the first time. Training is provided.

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

# Time, Talents, and Treasures



## Tax-free Giving through IRAs

For those who are 70½ and older, there is a special provision that allows you to make charitable gifts directly from your Individual Retirement Accounts (IRA) without having to pay taxes that would otherwise be due. This may be an especially attractive way to give following recent income tax law changes.

If you want to know more about how you can utilize this tax benefit, please contact our Finance Department at (352) 750-4529, and they will be happy to assist you.

# DISCIPLESHIP



## “John Wesley and Our Wesleyan Heritage”

Wednesdays, November 6 and 13 from 9-10:30 a.m. — Classroom 3

Join Pastor Harold as he walks you through the journey of our Wesleyan Heritage. This class will move you closer to fellowship, ministry, and relationship with Jesus Christ.

Go to <http://bit.ly/ncumc2437> to register from home.



## Upcoming Whiteboard Sessions

Wednesday, November 13 at 3 p.m. — Fellowship Center

Join Pastor Marilyn Anell for *Praying Out Loud*. She can help you to remove any fear or concerns in prayer. This fun and engaging class will help you put additional tools in your toolbox!

Wednesday, December 4 at 3 p.m. — Chapel

Join Pastor Jeff Vermilya on the topic of *Contemplative Prayer*. Learn about being still and silent before God. Stay tuned for exciting Whiteboard Sessions in 2020!



## Villages Evening Bible Study

Mondays from 7-8:30 p.m. — Classrooms 1, 2, 3, 6/7

This is an opportunity to attend an evening class that provides in-depth study, along with discussions that enhance spiritual growth.

For more information, please contact:

- Tom and Joanna Cavanaugh at [zcavat@aol.com](mailto:zcavat@aol.com) or (512) 917-0517 or (352) 350-6058
- Phil VanAmerongen at [pnavce@yahoo.com](mailto:pnavce@yahoo.com) or (352) 347-5417.



## New Covenant Church Library

Our Library provides easy access to Christian-based literature and audio/visual materials for anyone. In addition, our Library has study materials available for Small Groups (multiple copies, plus leaders’ guides and DVDs).

Our church history, dating back to 1999, is also available for viewing — including newspaper clippings and photos of members, friends, and ministries. You will also find rare books, including hymnals carried by the old circuit riders.

# Women's Ministry



## November Women's Gathering

Thursday, November 21 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. — Fellowship Center

...let the field be joyful, and all that is therein: then shall all the trees of the woods rejoice.” —Psalm 96:12

Lynn VanVeelen will be our guide as we travel “Over the River and Through the Woods.” At this program, we’ll watch the trees of the woods convey all for which we have to be thankful.

Registration is open through Sunday, November 17.

Registration Fee: \$10. Go to <http://bit.ly/ncumc2563> to register from home.

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



## MOAMI 2020 Class

Online Registration Opens Saturday, November 2

MOAMI (Moving On: Always Master Inspired) is a powerful, hands-on class that uses Biblical principles to help each woman strengthen her relationship with God, develop supportive friendships with other women, learn strategies to successfully move through changes, discover her unique gifts, explore her purpose, and have fun with like-minded women. The cost of the class is \$35.

The 2020 MOAMI Class will be held Thursdays, from January 23 to March 26, 2020. The first class is a kickoff from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. The final class is a celebration from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. All other classes are 1-2 p.m. For more information, please contact Barb Dougal at (608) 751-1964.

# Congregational Care



## Running of the Squares Brownwood

Saturday, October 26, 8 a.m. (Start Time) — Brownwood, The Villages

Join the New Covenant team for Race Number One of The Villages 2019-20 Series, Running of the Squares. This is a 3.1 mile fun run with chip timing and scoring, beginning and ending at the intersection of Brownwood Boulevard and West Torch Lake Drive.

To register, go to <https://runsignup.com/Race/FL/TheVillages/RunningoftheSquaresBrownwood> and sign up under team name “New Covenant UMC.” If you have any questions, please contact Karen Hughes at [twofortydesign@hotmail.com](mailto:twofortydesign@hotmail.com).



## Hope for Hurting Parents

Thursdays at 2 p.m. — Classroom 14

If you have a child or loved one struggling with addiction, mental illness, incarceration, or other life-altering events, we offer support and encouragement for you — the parent or grandparent.

For more information, please call the Congregational Care Office at (352) 750-4529. We welcome all in our community who need this support; it is not just for members,



## Would You Like a Stephen Minister to be there for You?

In Galatians 6, we read that we are to bear one another’s burdens and fulfill the law of Christ. That is exactly why we offer the ministry of our Stephen Ministers. We know that sometimes in life, perhaps during illness, grief, or other of life trials, it can make such a difference to have someone to talk to, pray with, or remind us of God’s love.

If you would like a Stephen Minister for this time in your life, complete a Care Card that can be found in the Attendance Pads, or simply call the Congregational Care Office at (352) 750-4529.



## The Gift of Prayer

The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for: Ed Schlairet who has melanoma; and Jeannie Hall who has health concerns. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

## Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...

Armel Nutter, family and friends on the passing of his wife Judith Slaughter Nutter.

For dates and locations of memorial services, please check our website: [www.ncumcfl.com](http://www.ncumcfl.com).

## New Concerns

Janie Coolidge, Pastor Tim Craig, Alvin Drusendahl, Bob Eggleston Family, Scott English, Joan Foytack, Sila Grier, Jeannie Hall, Herm Healy, Gayle Hillhouse, Sheldon Kaplan, Grace Lauver, Dan & Ruby List, Deb Ogle, Mike & Jan O’Kane, Cindy O’Lear, Roger Pryor, Bruce Rather, Mildred Short, Nancy Washburn, Beverly Wilhite, Tracy Young

# Family Ministry



## Boy Scout Fundraiser

Saturday, October 26 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. — Summerhill Campus

One of New Covenant’s youth, Steve Lightbody, is working on his Eagle Scout project. He is doing a fundraiser to purchase and install a greenhouse for Stanton-Weirsdale Elementary School and their agricultural project. Their agricultural project teaches young people how to grow their own gardens and learn about sustainability in our ecosystem.

Steve has organized this fundraiser to sell slabs of ribs that will be available for pick up at the Summerhill campus. Tickets for the fundraiser must be pre-purchased so he can have the appropriate amount of ribs. They are \$20 each, and available from Kayla DeSimone, Family Minister, or the Discipleship Office. Cash or checks, payable to “Boy Scout Troop 113.”



# Concerts & Events



**Mark Steven Schmidt presents**  
***The Jazz Singer with a Broadway Punch***  
Sunday, November 3 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Campus

Mark Steven Schmidt, the man with the powerhouse voice that brings out the honest meaning in every song, will take you on a journey through time and music creating a must-see show for the ages. He will ignite the night with passionate Broadway Hits that will leave you breathless!

Tickets are available only at The Villages Box Office.



**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 (Assigned Seats)

Go to <https://www.itickets.com/register/new/432123> to purchase tickets.

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



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

Featuring songs of the wind, sky, and water with flutes and accompanying percussion, enjoy *On Wings of the Wind* conducted by Linda Quinn.

**\$10 (At-door Suggested Donation)**

Presented in partnership with Prime Time, a Congregational Care Ministry of New Covenant.



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

A variety of music including favorites *Amazing Grace*, Beethoven's *Egmont Overture*, John Williams' *Cowboy Overture*, and Gershwin's *I Got Rhythm* performed by brass and percussion under the baton of New Covenant's own Jill Van Syckle.

**\$15 (General Admission)**

Go to <http://www.itickets.com/events/437371.html> to purchase tickets.

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



**Angie Rose and Ryan Loeckel: *A Quiet Christmas***  
Sunday, December 1 at 5 p.m. — Summerhill Campus

On the first day of Advent, quiet your heart and warm your spirits with an evening of your favorite Christmas melodies, intimately and beautifully performed. Best friends and New Covenant favorites, Angie Rose (piano, vocals) and Ryan Loeckel (violin, vocals) combine their talents for this exclusive concert.

**\$20 (General Admission)**

Go to <http://www.itickets.com/events/437369.html> to purchase tickets.

Tickets will also be available at The Villages Box Office



**Choralettes Christmas Concert**  
Tuesday, December 10 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus

Under the direction of Janie Berry, join us as the Choralettes present "Christmas Seen Through the Eyes of a Child."

A Love Offering will be accepted to benefit the Youth Ministry Summer Mission Trips.



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## **Bach with a Beat**

*Thursday, December 12 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

Bach with a Beat presents “Jingle Bell Bach”. Beautiful choral arrangements of classical music by Bach and Handel will be presented, along with jazz, pop, and traditional songs for the holidays. The group will be accompanied by piano, drum, and bass.

**\$15 (General Admission)**

Presented in partnership with Beds and Blankets, an Outreach ministry of NCUMC.

Tickets will be available only at The Villages Box Office.



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## **Christmas at New Covenant**

### **“HARK — Angels Visit When We Sing”**

*Saturday, December 14 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

*Sunday, December 15 at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

The combined choirs of New Covenant are joined by our handbells, chamber orchestra, multiple pianos, and guest soloists in this annual holiday concert.

Free tickets required for admission.

A Love Offering will be accepted.



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## **Buy “iTickets” from the Comfort of Your Home**

Avoid the lines and purchase your tickets online from the comfort of your home! Instruction cards are available in both the East and West Narthexes with step by step instructions to purchase from your home computer through the church website.

**If you have any problems related to tickets you have purchased, or to place orders by phone, please call iTickets at 1-800-965-9324 for assistance.**

The Ticket Kiosk is open for persons without home computers or for those persons requiring additional assistance.

## **Watch for More Information on These Upcoming Concerts**

### **Dino presents “The Hymn Revival Tour”**

*Thursday, January 16 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

### **Mike Williams with A Night of Comedy**

*Tuesday, January 21 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

### **The Villages Symphonic Winds**

*Sunday, January 26 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*