

## ALTAR FLOWERS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED BY...

Amy Huckaby in memory of her parents, Alice & Philip Graef, on their anniversary; and Allan Cragg for his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

## Missions & Outreach



### Giving in the Spirit

This is the final weekend to return your *Giving in the Spirit* selection envelopes. You may still pick up a gift card at the Welcome Center to let people know you have made a donation in their name for Christmas. Thank you for your generosity.



### The Florida United Methodist Children's Home

*Fifth Sunday Weekend is TODAY!*

The Children's Home includes residential living, therapeutic care, and foster and emergency shelter. On average, about 75 percent of the total funding comes from private sources, such as individual church support. Your offering enables the Children's Home to maintain its ministry to the children.



### Early Response Team (ERT) Basic Certification Training

*Saturday, January 25 from 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m. — Warren Willis Camp*

Do you want to provide a caring Christian presence in the aftermath of a disaster? Join one of the best equipped ERTs in the Florida Conference. In this Basic ERT Certification Training, you'll learn how to interact caringly with survivors, the basics of tarping a roof, safe chain saw operation, and more.

To attend this training, you must register at: [www.flumc.org](http://www.flumc.org), select the "Ministries" tab at the top of the page and select "Missional Engagement." Click the "Disaster Response" button, then the "Training" tab at the top of the page. Click the "Early Response Team Training" scroll down to "Register Here." Select the "Warren Willis, January 25, 2020" class and click on "[Register Here.](#)"

If you have any questions, please contact Gary Musch at [gmsuch2010@gmail.com](mailto:gmsuch2010@gmail.com) or call at 216-408-6174. Class size is limited, so register early!



### Bargains & Blessings Monthly Pick-up

*Next weekend, January 4 & 5 — 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.

## CONNECTIONAL MINISTRY



### New Member Classes

*Monday, January 27 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. Registration is required.

To register, visit our website at [www.ncumcfl.com](http://www.ncumcfl.com) and click "Portal" at the top of the page. Click the "Registrations" button, then select "New Member Class – Summerhill Campus (01/27)." You may also click this link <http://bit.ly/NCUMC2436> to register.

For more information, please contact Barb Prindle at (352) 750-4529 or [bprindle@ncumcfl.com](mailto:bprindle@ncumcfl.com).

## SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS...

**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	Class canceled until January 5. Happy New Year!	
9:15 a.m.	Childcare	Children ages newborn to 5 years old	Children's Room
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	Class canceled until January 5. Happy New Year!	
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders	Class canceled until January 5. Happy New Year!	
9:15 a.m.	Faith Finders	Class canceled until January 5. Happy New Year!	
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	Class canceled until January 5. Happy New Year!	
10:30 a.m.	The Searchers	Class canceled until January 5. Happy New Year!	
10:30 a.m.	Spirited Singles	How God Takes Our Little and Makes It Much	Classroom 3
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Exclusion and Embrace	Classroom 14
10:30 a.m.	The Truth Project	Class canceled until January 5. Happy New Year!	
10:45 a.m.	Wesley Class	Class canceled until January 5. Happy New Year!	

**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)

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK: NEW COVENANT UMC, SUMMERHILL CAMPUS  
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: 2,971

(Summerhill Saturday) 254 • (Summerhill Sunday) 7:45–222 • 9:15–996 • 10:45–713  
(Lake Deaton) 8:00–98 • 9:30–365 • 11:00–190 (Hope & Healing) 28  
(Orchard Worship) 9 • (Grounded Youth Group) 24 • (Fresh Expressions) 72

## SUMMERHILL CAMPUS

DECEMBER 28 & 29, 2019



**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

Rev. Harold Hendren, Senior Pastor

Rev. Jim Divine, Lake Deaton Pastor

Rev. Ellen Pollock, Summerhill Discipleship Pastor

Rev. Kristyne Young, Lake Deaton Discipleship Pastor



### Dinner and a FREE Movie

Invite your friends and neighbors to dinner and a movie. Sponsored by the Summerhill Men's Ministry, this promises to be a fun evening. Enjoy a delicious dinner prepared by Chef John and make new friends as well.

Once your appetite has been satisfied, stay for the FREE movie. Don't ask the title — it's a surprise! We promise you will enjoy the selection. One hundred percent of the net proceeds benefits our Youth Ministry Summer Mission Trips.

Registration is \$13 per person or 2 for \$25. To register, click the "Portal" tab at the top of our website. Click on the "Registrations" button and select "Dinner and a Movie."

### "Greater Vision" in Concert

The premier trio in Southern Gospel is coming back to New Covenant. The Summerhill Campus Men's Ministry is sponsoring this great event! Don't miss out on the stories and songs from these guys! More information available on the Concerts & Events insert.

### Men's Spiritual Retreat

You will not want to miss this amazing retreat as Gary Cantrell leads you through sessions of spiritual reflection and renewal, spending time in God's word and prayer.

Whether you commute or stay overnight, you will have time to relax, renew your spirit, and strengthen your walk with the Lord. This retreat is open to all men.

Registrations open January 25.

### Dinner & a Movie

**Tuesday, January 7 at 5:15 p.m.  
Fellowship Center**



**Greater Vision  
Friday, February 7 at 6 p.m.  
Christian Life Center**

**Men's Retreat  
Monday & Tuesday, February 24-25  
LEC in Fruitland Park**



**If you have any questions or need help registering, please contact Ashley Hill at (352) 750-4529 or [ahill@ncumcfl.com](mailto:ahill@ncumcfl.com).**



# VOLUNTEER CENTRAL



## Volunteer Spotlight: Lesan and Jill Van Syckle

Sisters Lesan and Jill can be seen around the church most weeks volunteering for many different ministries, and both are very active in performing as instrumentalists when needed at both campuses. They work together to coordinate Sunday morning Communion and special occasion Communion services.

Jill volunteers her time every week in our library and is a member of our Praise Handbell Ringers Group. Lesan helps our Worship Coordinator in the music library. She also contacts instrumentalists for performances at Christmas, Easter and other special performances as needed. We are grateful and blessed for all they do for our church.



## Volunteers Needed!

Please stop by the Welcome Center in the East Narthex for a 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](mailto:cstramiello@embarqmail.com)
- Contact: (Sunday) Lesan or Jill Van Syckle at (352) 751-7447 [lrvansyckle20@gmail.com](mailto:lrvansyckle20@gmail.com)

### Ushers Needed for ALL Worship Services

We need Ushers to fill vacancies at our 5:00 Saturday Service and our 9:15 Sunday Service.

- Contact: (Saturday) Peggy Dresser at (352) 205-7909 or [pdresser1137@gmail.com](mailto:pdresser1137@gmail.com)
- Contact: (Sunday) Leon Schien at (352) 245-6615 or [leonschien@gmail.com](mailto:leonschien@gmail.com)

### Traffic Control

Our seven-person team guides incoming and outgoing vehicular traffic for events which exceed 500 people, working in conjunction with a Sumter County Deputy Sheriff on CR101.

Contact: Richard Maxfield at [maxfield.richard@gmail.com](mailto:maxfield.richard@gmail.com)

### Men's Prayer Breakfast

Help is needed for various kitchen duties, such as washing dishes, cleaning up, and preparing breakfast. Training will be provided.

- Contact: John Drake at (515) 314-1627 or [jsdrake1@msn.com](mailto:jsdrake1@msn.com)

## SPORTS MINISTRY



## Yoga is Taking a Break — Lake Deaton Campus

There will be NO yoga classes Monday, December 30. When we resume on January 6, we will have only one class from 4:30-5:30 p.m.

For more information, please contact Karen Hughes at [twofortydesign@hotmail.com](mailto:twofortydesign@hotmail.com).

## Time, Talents, and Treasures



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Message from Gary Search, SALT Chair for 2020-2022.

On behalf of the SALT team, I would like to take the time to thank you all for your joyful giving of your time, talents, and treasures in the many ways you served GOD'S church during the past year.

With every act of service in the many ministries NCUMC has to offer, you do so willingly, joyfully, and sacrificially all because you love Jesus our Lord and Savior. It is through your prayers, joyful attitude, generosity, love of our neighbors, and a desire to spread the word of God to others as you serve them that we grow in our faithful obedience to GOD. As you serve it is a reminder that in all ways you are being a disciple of Jesus Christ helping NCUMC to live out our vision of striving to be a thriving body of Christ by being His hands, feet, and voice in our community and the world.

When we work for our Lord, we are reminded that in God ALL things are possible. In this New Year, may we all grow in our Christian faith walk as we continue to bring more people to know the love of Jesus at New Covenant.

# DISCIPLESHIP

## Sunday Adult Education Classes

Please check the Sunday Adult Education Classes on the back of your newsletter as some classes have been canceled for the holidays.



### "Supper and a Study" — SAVE THE DATES!

Weds, January 15–February 19 from 5–7:30 p.m. — Fellowship Center

The Discipleship Ministry is hosting a 6-week "Supper and Study." This upcoming study and sermon series is based on the basic essentials that help us to grow collectively in our personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Our sanctification journey is our daily "walking" with Jesus. Each week we will focus on one specific area that we hope will help your faith to flourish.

These are stand-alone classes, so you do not have to attend every one to reap the benefits of joining us for even one night. We look forward to fellowshiping and learning together!

Registration is \$10, and menus are listed with each registration date.

To register, click the "Portal" tab at the top of our website. Click on the "Registrations" button and select "Supper and Study." If you have any questions or need help registering, please contact Ashley Hill at (352) 750-4529.



### A Disciple's Path Class 2020

Wednesdays, February 5–March 18 from 9–10:30 a.m. — Classroom 3

Registration is now open for this dynamic class. This study combines a Wesleyan understanding of our growth in God's love and grace with the time-tested practices of spiritual discipline expressed in the membership vows.

This class will be taught by Rev. Ellen Pollock, and is a wonderful class for new members.

The cost is \$21. To register, visit our website at [www.ncumcfl.com](http://www.ncumcfl.com) and click "Portal" at the top of the page. Click the "Registrations" button, then select "A Disciple's Path Class." You may also click this link <http://bit.ly/ncumc2591> to register.

For more information, please contact Barb Prindle at (352) 750-4529 or [bprindle@ncumcfl.com](mailto:bprindle@ncumcfl.com).

## Women's Ministry



### Women's Bible Study — Joshua: Winning the Worry Battle

Tuesdays, beginning January 21 at 11 a.m.

*Joshua: Winning the Worry Battle* is the newest publication from author Barb Roose. Join this next Women's Bible Study as we explore Joshua's journey through worry and strife.

Joshua and the Israelites faced hostile enemies in the Promised Land and claimed a victory for God, but it was not an easy path to triumph. Join Barb as she teaches us about faith through following Joshua's lead. You will gain tools that will help you through your own daily struggles but also through bigger battles of fear.

Registration opens Saturday, January 4. If you have any questions, please contact Shelia Clinton at [skclin11@gmail.com](mailto:skclin11@gmail.com) or (404) 434-8188, or Pam Little at [littlepam76@gmail.com](mailto:littlepam76@gmail.com) or (904) 210-6914.



### January Women's Gathering — "Leave a Little Sparkle"

Thursday, January 16 at 10 a.m. — Fellowship Center

Learn how to "leave a little SPARKLE wherever we go." Lynn VanVeelen will lead this program, and invites you to wear something "shimmering" or "sparkling" to the gathering and celebrate "shiny" new year.

**Menu:** Chicken Breast Piccata (Lemon and Capers), Alfredo Pasta Bake, Savory Green Beans, and Chocolate Cream Pie.

Registration fee is \$10. To register on our website, click "Portal" at the top of the page. Click the "Registrations" button, then select "Women's Gathering – January 2020." You may also click this electronic link <http://bit.ly/ncumc2582> to register.

If you have any questions or need help with registration, please contact Ashley Hill at (352) 750-4529 or [ahill@ncumcfl.com](mailto:ahill@ncumcfl.com).

# Congregational Care



## Congregational Care Update

Jeff Vermilya, our Director of Congregational Care, is taking a temporary leave of absence, January through March, so that he and his wife may fulfill a life-long dream of spending time in Spain and Italy.

During this time and until his return April 1, we are blessed to have Pastor Marilyn Anell returning in the temporary capacity of Director of Congregational Care.



## Updates on Pastor Harold

In order to keep our congregation informed as to Pastor Harold's progress and also to help The Hendren Family manage the vast volume of calls, messages and texts, we have set up a popular blogsite, *Caring Bridge*, for those going through recovery. This site also allows you to leave messages for Pastor Harold and his family, and is a way for the congregation to help the family by providing daily meals.

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. If you do not have access to the Internet and would like to provide a meal, please contact Jo Jones at (443) 865-6069 through Sunday, December 29. After that, please contact the Church Office at (352) 750-4529.



## Hospital and Facility News

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

Please be sure to give us your full name (not just your nickname) so that we can locate your room! 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.



## Care Cards

Our Care Cards, found in the Attendance Pads, are one of the best ways for us to hear from you about your needs and concerns. Every need represented is prayed over, and a Congregational Care Minister will also contact you to follow up on your concern.

It gives you another opportunity to let us know if you have an upcoming hospitalization or surgery. Be sure to write neatly and select the correct box, so we will know if the person you are concerned for attends New Covenant.



## Prayers & Squares Prayer Quilt Ministry

Prayer quilts are made by a dedicated group in our church 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 — each for someone in special need of prayer.

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



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

Stewart Isenburg, family and friends on the passing of his daughter Vicky Gernert; and Carol Priser, family and friends on the passing of her father Ralph Martin.

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

Andrew, Flo Benson, Linda Ciola, Lynda Davis, Pete Davis, Joan Foytack, Hayes family, Kylie Hilderbrand, Deborah Jackson, Stephanie Kelly, Heather Seyler Kline, Ed Logan, Pat McLaughlin, Margaret Sutton, Kimber Townsend, Carol Utley, Jack Waddles, Karl Weiss, Al Winchell

# Concerts & Events

**THE TICKET KIOSK WILL BE CLOSED THIS WEEKEND.**

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

- The interactive links in the electronic newsletter
- [www.ncumcfl.com/events](http://www.ncumcfl.com/events)
- [www.itickets.com](http://www.itickets.com) or call 1-800-965-9324
- Ticket Kiosk in the Narthex



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

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

America’s Piano Showman, a title aptly given to one of the world’s premier performers of our time, brings his Hymn Revival Tour to The Villages. From Carnegie Hall, to the honor of being the only person to ever perform inside the Tower of David, Jerusalem, Dino has captured the world with his unique talent, stellar performances and exceptional showmanship.

Two-time Grammy Award nominee, eight-time Dove Award winner, and Tele Award winner for *Miracles*, Dino will be joined by the New Covenant Choirs in this concert.

***A Love Offering will be accepted.***



## **Mike Williams, Laugh Out Loud Comedy**

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

Stand-up comic, entertainer, radio personality, CD artist, author and more, Mike Williams has been making people laugh and learn for 17 years. A 2017 Dove Award winner for humor, Williams knows how to make people laugh with outrageously funny, clean humor.

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

A portion of the net proceeds will support the Youth Ministry Summer Mission Trips.





**The Villages Symphonic Winds with Special Guest Angie Rose**  
*Sunday, January 26 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

The Villages Symphonic Winds will present a concert for the “Young and Young at Heart” with special guest New Covenant’s Angie Rose. Angie will sing a special arrangement of the classic children’s book, *Goodnight Moon*. Other selections include: *Casey at the Bat*, *Carnival of the Animals*, *You Make Me Feel So Young*, and of course, the *Music of Disneyland*.

**Tickets: \$15**

If you are reading this electronically, click [www.itickets.com/register/new/440451](http://www.itickets.com/register/new/440451) to purchase tickets from home, or stop by the Ticket Kiosk following weekend Worship Services if you require assistance.

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



**“An Evening of Hope”**

*Thursday, January 30 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

Featuring Sean Pollock, Angie Rose, Janice Swartz, Mark Steven Schmidt, Ryan Loeckel and Bill Doherty, join us for this evening of song and powerful testimonies as we support the House of Hope as they continue in the fight against addiction.

**\$20 (At -door suggested donation)**



**Greater Vision**

*Friday, February 7 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

Returning by your request, don’t miss a chance to hear this group which has inspired audiences with their rich vocal blend for over a quarter of a century. Greater Vision is the most-awarded trio in the history of Gospel Music.

If you are reading this electronically, click [www.itickets.com/register/new/439701](http://www.itickets.com/register/new/439701) to purchase tickets from home, or stop by the Ticket Kiosk following weekend Worship Services if you require assistance.

**Tickets: \$15**

Sponsored by the Men’s Ministry of New Covenant, Summerhill Campus.

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

**Seeds of Hope**

*Thursday, February 13 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

**Mark Steven Schmidt**

*Sunday, February 16 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

**Backpack for Kids**

*Monday, March 2 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

**Celebration Brass Band**

*Sunday, March 15 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

**The Martins**

*Thursday, March 26 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*