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April Dates to Remember!

Sunday, April 17

April 1

Friday, April 15 at 7:00 p.m.

Sunrise Service at 6:30 a.m.

Worship at 10:00 a.m.



FROM THE PASTOR



John McKinley wrote, "Christians often say that 'God doesn't give us more than we can handle.' What they mean is that the troubles in our lives are measured out by God to be at the limit of what we can bear. The idea is supposed to be reassuring that even though we feel overwhelmed, this is not actually the case. We assure ourselves that we can manage our crises since God has limited the strain to within our ability to handle it. What people intend as an assurance is actually a statement about us instead of a statement about God's involvement to care for us."

I think, at times, we all feel as if we are at the breaking point when we face one adversity after another. Within my own family, with Georgiana's cancer, Brittany's fibroids, and my own struggle with an undiagnosed illness, I sometimes feel like God has given me more than I can handle. To compound the situation, it has been a difficult few years in the church as we have lost a number of members, who were more like family. No wonder I keep thinking about retirement!



Presbyterian Church
Changing Lives for Jesus Christ!

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Summit Presbyterian Church
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Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

Church Staff:
Rev. Dr. Tom Jones, *Pastor*
Carol Novy, *Minister of Education*
Dianna Carr-DiZinno, *Admin. Assistant*

Sunday Schedule:
10:00 a.m. Worship

Other ministries of Summit Church:

•**Summit Church's Christian Community Outreach Building**

•**Loaves & Fishes Food Bank**
Directors: Kim Steighner, LuAnn Steighner, & a host of volunteers

•**HIS Kids Christian School**
(PreK--6th grade)
650 Saxonburg Rd.
Butler, PA 16002
724-352-8177
office@hiskidscs.org

As we approach Easter, I am reminded that sin, death, unbelief, doubts, failure, and struggles never get the last word! The last word is always life. This is not a life of struggle. This is a life of overcoming. This is a life of victory. This is a life in which the Devil loses and Christ wins!

Lazarus was dead when Jesus called him to come out of the tomb. His sisters, Mary and Martha had thought that life as they knew it was over. They thought they would have to bear this unbearable burden for the rest of their lives. But, those words, "Lazarus, come out!" rang out in graveyard and the dead man rose to a new life. Some historical accounts say that Lazarus became a significant leader in the early church. The point of the story is that life is always the last word. And, of course, God never gives us more than HE can handle!

Love and Blessings, Pastor Tom



SESSION HIGHLIGHTS from the March 8 Session Meeting

Pastor's Report: Pastor Tom performed the funeral for Sandra Hughes. He has also been holding membership classes.

Clerk's Report: Motion approved to accept the minutes from the February 8 Session Meeting.

Finance Committee: Motion approved to accept February treasurers report.

Worship Committee: Lent season began on March 2. There will be a Good Friday Service at 7:00 pm this year. Easter Sunday will have a Sunrise Service at 6:30 a.m. and a worship service at 10:00 a.m. New members will be received on Palm Sunday.

HIS Kids Christian School Report: HKCS is still in need of a fifth grade teacher. Registration for next school year has begun.



*...a quick study of God's edifying Word by R.J. Baker.
Discover the truth and promises intended for every believer.*

EVIL: SKULLDUGGERY MEETS BALDERDASH

Study Verses: Eph. 6: 610-19; Gen. 3: 1-24; Matt. 4: 1-11

Well, here are two words one doesn't hear every day, and likely have not ever whispered. From another time and place, **skullduggery** and **balderdash** practically callout their meanings by simply pronouncing each annoying syllable. Regardless, they serve this lesson's purpose well. 'Permit some license here. God has often used the unholy to shape divine purpose, straightening that narrow path to Christ Jesus.

Webster succinctly defines them: **Skullduggery** as vicious demonic conniving, underhanded. **Balderdash** as senseless, foolish, idiotic. The Old and New Testaments frequently speak of trouble or consequences (sin) resulting from the subject expressed. However, you will not find either, in holy script per se. Reciprocal, descriptive language can blur separation of terms. Examples: "purifying genocide"..."welcomed extra-charge". Recognition or connotation becomes more subjective when colored by personal experience. Practical intent is to escape malevolence by adversaries; also to expose hidden, evil soul damaging tactics.

Time and space limitations afford only a few related Bible stories to illustrate the what and why of our topic words. You can easily find many more. Let's begin with a Jesus parable to extract a strong spiritual message. **Balderdash**: In a temple courtyard, two men prayed aloud. Silence, here was counterproductive. A socially respected, learned Pharisee bellowed his thanking of God for accepting his achieved high status, unlike common sinners, ignorant of the law. Across the way stood a detested publican (tax collector). With head bowed and eyes shut, he smote his chest and cried out in anguish..."God be merciful to a sinner such as me". The proud and proper Pharisee in essence, informs the Lord, he is earning his way (legally) to heaven, not needing Jehovah's blessing. The humble "bad man", rich by ill-gotten means, realizes he has nothing to offer God and can only beg for pardon. Which man gave glory and honor to the Lord he wished to worship? Whose words were prideful and fool-hearted? Jesus' lesson leads to a fluid but decisive answer. There are those well educated who can remain damn-dumb. A sidebar to a greater story. **Skullduggery**: The desert temptation of Jesus by the conniving, vicious Satan...a plot to destroy the Son of God before His earthly ministry could begin. The Apostle Paul points to a spiritual truth that those in Christ battle not against flesh and blood (humankind), but the real fight must be brought against supernatural evil...in "high places". This reference includes "in the air" (atmosphere) and demonic controlled governing bodies. The epitome of **skullduggery** is Satan's attempt to appear compassionate to the severely weakened Jesus, following forty lonely, wilderness days and nights, fasting and praying. Three times Satan used the ploy of "you do this small thing for me, and I will reward you with wonderful blessings". Three times Jesus rebuffed soul devastation by quoting "Thou shall not"...verses from Deuteronomy, God's authoritative Word. Evil departed! Paul teaches Holy Scripture is not only a Christian's defense, but this Sword of the Spirit, provides a formidable sharp, double edge offensive weapon to dismantle demonic strongholds. A **skullduggery** equivalent chosen passages could well be Eden's Garden, man and wife, forbidden fruit and a sly serpent. We lost that one big time! Thanks be to our Creator for the plan of Salvation. Thanks be to the Father for the gift of His beloved Son, Jesus Christ. He overcame the world.

As complex as this lesson may appear, the purpose remains simple. I've chosen a couple venerable words, rarely ever used, to make a lasting impression of dangerous lurking evil. Spiritual destruction is real. Deception opens us up to insidious and wicked agents. Clever and free warrants are attractive lures. The enemy will look to win the argument, the battle, then the war. Truth is ours. Evil cannot deal with it. Truth can only muddle matters. It's Satan's kryptonite.

God's Word Is Truth

'No truth, no Godliness wanted. Paul's "high places" commentary most certainly points to fallen, church and secular governments. They are not to be construed as ancient history, but consistent with trending years. Scriptural prophesy, primarily from Daniel and later Isaiah, references our Lord (unmistakably) as the eternal and righteous ruler. This upon His second coming. As with the Advent, signs and wonders, shine a piercing light, glorifying the Lord of Lords; King of Kings. Jesus is and will be our Wonderful Counselor. Come quickly living Lord!

Amen



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| 6 John McCabe | 14 Rachel Griffiths |
| 9 Steve Yamnitsky | Brandon Mowry |
| 10 Shelby Antoszyk | 15 Adam Fleeger |
| Lew Crider | 21 Deborah McCommon |
| Gabrielle Durci | Erik Steinhiser |
| 11 Dianna Carr-DiZinno | 24 Dave Faust |
| Steve Antoszyk | 27 Heather Reibel |
| | 28 Denise Foertsch |
| | 29 Casey Fischer |



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| Richard & Mabel Douglas | 4/1 |
| Bruce & Terry Dean | 4/4 |

If you would like your birthday or anniversary listed in the Herald, please contact Dianna in the office. Thanks!



Updated addresses:

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| Bill Kingan 112 Marwood Rd Apt 1117 Cabot, PA 16023 | Rick Gallagher 112 Marwood Rd Apt 4001 Cabot PA, 16023 |
| Dave Cadugan 143 Marwood Rd Room 2233 Cabot, PA 16023 | Kelsey Fleeger 2000 Creekview Cir Cranberry Twp, PA 16066 |
| Jim Burtner 112 Marwood Rd Apt 40123 Cabot, PA 16023 | Mary Lou Novy 615 N. Pike Rd Cabot, PA 16023 |



Articles for the
May Herald are due to the
church office by Monday,
April 18.
Thanks!

Session,

Reminder that our next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 6th in the church sanctuary.



Saturday - April 30



Volunteers please come at 8:00 am to set up and pack orders.

Distribution will be between 9:00-10:00am.

Herald Assembly Team for the May issue:

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| Dave Faust | Kathi Fischer |
| Peggy Peters | Cheryl Rumbaugh |
| Paul & Dorothy Steighner | |

ADULT FICTION SERIES

A Knit & Nibble Mystery, by Peggy Ehrhart
Knitty Gritty Murder
Knit One, Die Two
A Fatal Yarn
Knit of the Living Dead



Secrets of Wayfarers Inn
26. The Bucket List, by Janice Thompson
27. True North, by Leslie Gould

Ellie Kline Series, by Mary Stone
2. Cold Hunt

ADULT FICTION

A Catered New Year's Eve, by Isis Crawford
The Courtship of Carol Sommars, by Debbie Macomber
The Jerusalem Assassin, by Joel C. Rosenberg
Confessions from the Quilting Circle, by Maisey Yates
Someone Like You, by Karen Kingsbury
Little Bookshop of Murder, by Maggie Blackburn
Apple Cider Slaying, by Julie Anne Lindsey
No Ordinary Christmas, by Belle Calhoune
Murders on Elderberry Road, by Sally Goldenbaum

ADULT NON-FICTION

Good Tidings of Great Joy

Given in Memory of Donovan Sanks by Anthony & Mary Jo Sanks

The Inn at Magnolia Harbor
24. Forever Starts Today, by Gail Chianese

Chocolate Shoppe Mysteries
1. Double Fudge Murder, by Jan Fields
2. Guilty Confections, by Karen Kelly
3. Sugar Coated Lies, by Jan Fields
4. Honey Dipped Secrets, by K.D. McCrite



Important

Deacons,

There will be a Deacon's meeting on Tuesday, April 12th at 6:30 p.m. Please attend!

Saturday,
April 16
10:00 am



at the CCO Building

Summit Church is hosting an Easter Egg Hunt for all children up through 5th grade at the CCO building. There will be games and other activities for the children to participate in, as well as a story, refreshments and, of course, the egg hunt!! Please dress for outdoors! Bring a basket or bag for your eggs!! Bring a friend!

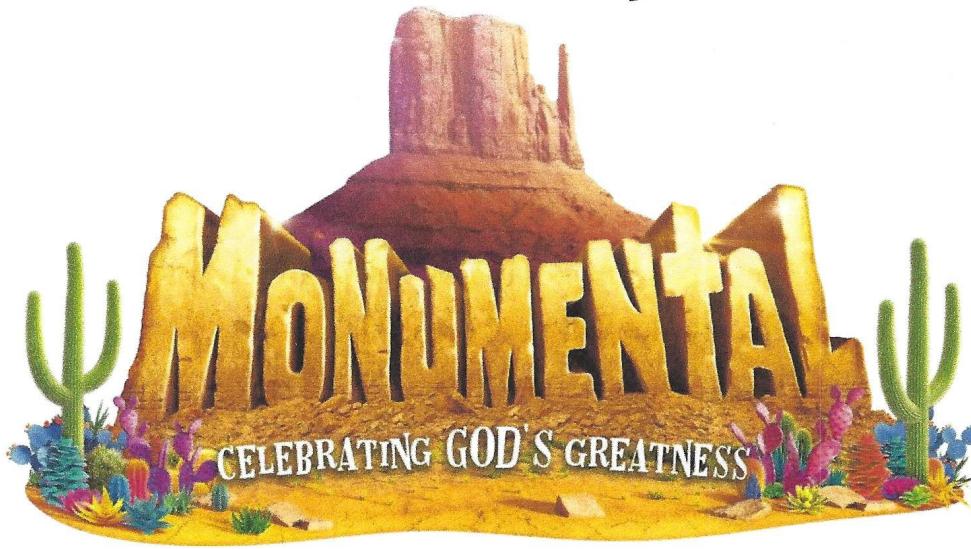


Donations of COOKIES and CANDY (small wrapped candy for filling eggs) are needed for the Easter Egg Hunt. If you would like someone to do your candy shopping for you, monetary donations are accepted as well! ☺ Please bring candy to the church office by Thursday, April 14. Cookies may be left in the church kitchen until Friday, April 15 or brought to the CCO building on April 16 by 9:30 am. **We could also use some additional help in the kitchen - putting cookies on trays, making cold drink, etc. If you can help, please call Carol Novy (287-2378).

** Helpers are also needed with the games and activities. Please call Carol (287-2378), if you can help.



Get Ready...



For a Howlin' Good Time!

The Best Week of the Summer!

- New friends • Amazing experiments • Creative games
- Super-fun snacks • Surprising Bible adventures • Incredible music •

Location: Summit Church CCO Building - 650 Saxonburg Rd.

MONUMENTAL VBS will last from: June 26-30, 2022 (Sun. - Thurs.)

MONUMENTAL VBS fun begins at: 5:50 pm

MONUMENTAL VBS fun ends at: 8:30 pm

For more information, call: Summit Church office 287-2378

Register online: www.summitchurchpa.org or www.vbspro.events/p/summitchurchvbs2022

Register today!!!



Registration Form

(one per child)

Child's Name: _____ Male _____ Female _____

(Must be 3 yrs by June 26, 2022 up through completing 5th grade)

Child's age: _____ Date of birth: _____ School grade completed 2022 _____

Name of parent(s): _____

Street address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home telephone: (_____) _____

Parent/caregiver's cell phone: _____

Home e-mail address: _____

Home church: _____

Allergies or other medical conditions: _____

In case of emergency, contact: _____ Phone: _____

Relationship to child: _____

**Color options are back this year!! Check out the order chart →→→→

**Can't decide? Get more than one color!! \$7.00 for one shirt; \$13.00 for two!!

**Mark the quantities in the appropriate boxes.

Please attach cash or check (Summit Church) to this registration form. Deadline for shirt orders is June 1.

| Color \ Size | Yth XSm 2-4 | Yth Sm 6-8 | Yth Med 10-12 | Yth Lg 14-16 | Adult SM | Adult MED | Adult LG | Adult XL |
|-----------------|----------------|---------------|------------------|-----------------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|
| Bright Pink | | | | | | | | |
| Chocolate Brown | | | | | | | | |
| Lime Green | | | | | | | | |
| Dark Orange | | | | | | | | |

2X-3X sizes are available for \$2.00 extra pershirt.



Get ready for a howlin' good time!! At MONUMENTAL VBS, kids explore the vastness of God's power and the depth of his love for each of them! MONUMENTAL VBS will be an amazing, fun, wild, week - June 26-30 (that's Sunday-Thursday!), but before it can begin, we need YOU! To be more specific, the children of Summit Church, and our community need you to be a part of this year's MONUMENTAL VBS! Read through the list below, PRAY through it, asking God where he would have you serve during VBS week, and in the weeks before as we prepare! Fill out this form and return it to the Summit Church office. This will be a fun adventure with your help – so let's get together and help kids discover the greatness of God's mighty love! Thanks!!

I can help *before* VBS by...

- Praying for VBS participants (staff and children)
- Decorating, creating to make the Summit CCO building an exciting desert environment!



I can help *during* VBS by serving as...

- Monumental photographer** – Take photographs of kids doing amazing things!!
- Monumental child-care coordinator** – Arrange or provide childcare for kids of VBS workers.
- Monumental registration worker** – check in children, help them find their assigned crews.
- Quail Trail Preschool Station Leader** – Help lead an activity center for preschoolers.
- Monumental Crew Leader** – During Monumental VBS, kids travel in small groups or crews. Each crew is made up of 5-6 kids and one adult or teenage Crew Leader. Crew leaders have little or no preparation work and function mainly as friends or guides. Please circle the age level that interests you. (Elementary crew leaders must be at least in Senior High; Preschool crew leaders at least completed 6th)

Preschool (ages 3 & 4)

Elementary (ages 5-11)

- Imagination Station Leader**–Lead kids (ages 5-11) in discovering amazing things through hands-on, sciency-fun experiments!!!
- Awesome Bible Adventures Leader** – Lead kids (ages 5-11) in exciting, hands-on Bible adventures.
- Red Rocks Rec Leader** – Teach kids (ages 5-11) zany games that encourage Christian love, teamwork, and cooperation.
- Oasis Tastes Leader** – Help kids (ages 3-11) prepare/serve snacks for the entire VBS each day.
- KidVid Cinema Leader** – Show kids (ages 5-11) daily segments from the *KidVid Stories* DVD, then help them apply what they've seen to their daily lives!
- Assistant in any of the above areas:** _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Buy a T-shirt? \$7.00 or 2 for \$13.50 (2XL & up available too for \$2 extra!) Size: _____



Color (circle): Bright Pink Chocolate Brown Lime Green Dark Orange

Thanks for serving with us at Monumental VBS! ??? - Call the church office: 287-2378.
Come help kids discover greatness of God's mighty love!

* Due to PA law – all Crew Leaders and Stations Leaders age 18 and up must have criminal and child abuse clearances on file. If you don't have current clearances contact Carol Novy and she will help you through the process! It's easy and free!!



Spring Bash

When : Saturday May 7, 2022

Time: 11:00 to 3:00

Location : 650 Saxonburg Road Butler PA, 16002

**Vendors, Crafts, Basket Raffles, 50/50 Raffle,
Kids Games, & Food.
Come see our School!**



NOTES FROM OUR HIS KIDS TEACHERS !

It is hard to believe that April is here and we are so glad to be able to say that Spring is here! Psalms 104:10 says "He sendeth the Spring into the valleys, which run among the hills." We are looking forward to Easter and we are preparing for this wonderful holiday in our classroom by making painted crosses and Easter cards to give to our loved ones. The preschoolers are learning about the letters S, T and U; the color purple, the number 9 and the oval shape this month. All of the children have learned so much over this past school year and have grown by leaps and bounds! I am so proud of each and everyone of them! We thank you all for your continued prayers and support and we wish you a Happy Spring and a Blessed Easter!

Mrs. Yamnitsky—Preschool Teacher



Happy spring! In first grade we are so excited to start to see a bit warmer weather so that we can finally get outside and run around again! We have been learning about the seasons and different types of weather we might see in each season. We took a vote on our favorite season and winter fell short to summer by one vote. Our first graders have been working hard to learn tricky vowel teams and are really starting to become amazing readers! We are so looking forward to a trip to Sylvania in April and our fieldtrip to the Pittsburgh Zoo in May. Thank you for your continuing prayers and support for HKCS! Have a blessed Easter!

Mrs. Johnson – First Grade Teacher



Hello From 4th Grade!!

Hello fellow citizens of God, I hope everyone had a great Winter Season and a great start to the Spring/Easter Season; It is wonderful to say that, SPRING! It is hard to believe that this school year is moving so fast; at this point we are less than 2 months away from the end of the school year! Anyways, the 4th grade has been keeping busy since the beginning of the school year. We are currently learning about local history, like Pullman industries and Robert Roebling of Saxonburg. The class just finished up their Wax Museum Research project of historical characters, and will be participating in our 4th annual living Wax Museum at the school on April 12th before we go on Easter break. The 4th grade has invited the 5th and 6th graders to participate as well and have all agreed. It is going to be great. We completed some cool science experiments like the can crusher. We have been learning about the country's states and capitals, learned how each individual state got its start, and what industry is done there. Well until next time; God Bless!

Mr. McKruit - Fourth Grade Teacher



The Promise of Easter

...an empty tomb!

"Don't be afraid. I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here! He has risen, just as he said he would!"

Matthew 28:5-6a

On that first resurrection morning, the women came looking for Jesus. But much to their surprise the tomb was empty—Jesus had defeated death! Through Jesus' death and resurrection, our debt was paid—our sins are erased—we stand forgiven before God! Now that is something to celebrate!!

This Easter, I pray that each one of us would look into that empty tomb and recognize that our debt has been paid by the gracious gift of God in Jesus!

Many years ago a group by the name of GLAD recorded a song titled “Be Ye Glad;” the chorus of which is printed below. This is the joy of Easter; our debt has been “paid up in full!”

Oh, be ye glad Oh, be ye glad
Every debt that you ever had
Has been paid up in full by the grace of the Lord
Be ye glad, be ye glad, be ye glad

Here's a link to listen to a cover of the whole song—<https://youtu.be/uLw1IWi7PoE>

All the lyrics are written in the description.

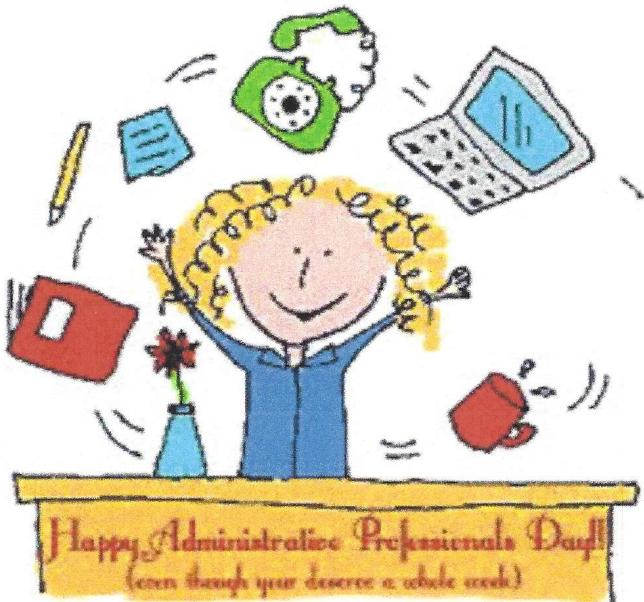
Have a blessed Resurrection Day!

Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!!

PRINCIPAL'S PAGE



Registration is going on now for the 2022-23 school year at HIS Kids Christian School! Classes available for Preschool (age 3 or 4 by 9/1/22) and full-day Kindergarten (age 5 by 9/1/22) - 6th grade! Contact the school office (724-352-8177) for more information or go to the school website: www.hiskidscs.org. Don't delay—some classes are already filling! Come be a part of the HIS Kids family!



A HUGE THANK YOU to Brittany Morse, our amazing, fantastic, caring, efficient, “couldn’t survive without”, school secretary plus! Brittany, one day, April 27th, isn’t nearly enough time to celebrate YOU and the amazing gifts you bring to our HIS Kids family. We are truly blessed to have you!!

Proud Principal's Page - Carol Novy

**Calling all children
through
5th grade!!!**



**To read the entire Summit Herald, please visit:

<https://www.summitchurchpa.org/summit-herald-newsletters>

Abuse Hotline: 1-800-932-0313

Butler County Children & Youth Services: 724-284-5156



Stay Tuned

Listed below are some helpful links and addresses to help you stay connected. Don't forget to check out our calendar on the school website to keep up-to-date on upcoming events.

School E-mail office@hiskidscs.org
School Website <http://www.hiskidscs.org>
School Facebook Page HIS Kids Christian School
Boosters E-mail boosters@hiskidscs.org
Boosters Facebook Page Hkcs Boosters

**Saturday, April 16
10:00 am**

Summit C.C.O. Building

(650 Saxonburg Road – where HIS Kids is located)

Fun games & activities!!

Bring a basket or bag for your eggs!

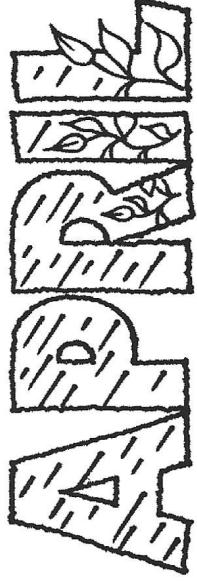
Refreshments after the hunt!!

Come ready for rain, snow, or sunshine!!

(Pre-K - 6th grade)
650 Saxonburg Road
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724-352-8177
www.hiskidscs.org

Staff

Preschool—LeAnn Yannitsky
Preschool Aide—Patty Hankey
Kindergarten—Rachel Moeller
Kindergarten—Haley Vissari
1st Grade—Cayce Johnson
1st Grade Aide—Maria Pugh
2nd Grade—Holly Collins
2nd Grade Aide—Sherry Smith
3rd Grade—Kim Maxwell
4th Grade—Josh McKruit
5th Grade—Jennifer Schwalm, Sub.
6th Grade—Christan Baker
Music—Suzanne Adams
Art—Jill Fouse
Bible (3rd-6th Grade)—Carol Novy
Physical Education (K-6th Grade)—Amanda Galvan
Cafeteria—Chrissy Filges
Cleaning—Michele Wardle & Tara Cornetti
Principal—Carol Novy
Secretary—Brittany Morse
Financial Administrator—Katie Anderson
Pastor of Summit Church—Pastor Tom Jones



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| | | 7:00 HK Board Mtg. | 7:00 Session Mtg. | | 9:30 the Sew-Sews Good Friday worship service at 7:00 p.m. | Easter Egg Hunt at CCO Building 10:00 a.m.! |
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| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| | Herald Articles Due! | | | | 9:30 the Sew-Sews | 8:00 Food Bank |
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| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
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Worship, 10:00 a.m.

