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The shoebox collection for Operation Christmas Child is a little over a month away (November 17) so now is the perfect time to start shopping! Check out the page inside this Herald for ideas and help packing your shoebox. Please also take note of what

NOT to pack. Shoeboxes with packing

instructions will be available soon for pick up. All boxes need to be returned to the church no later than Sunday, November 17. Thanks for making a difference in the life of a child!





Well, we've talked about change (which nobody likes) and we have learned about the EPC, The Presbytery of the Alleghenies and what the expectations are for Summit Church.

Now is when the "rubber meets the road" as we move from Visioning to implementation. The primary movement is the development of Small Groups that serve as a place of Spiritual Formation through Christian Education and prayer, and they serve as the missional vehicle for the Church.

As stated in the large meetings following Church, people can develop their own Small Groups.



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<u>Church Staff:</u> David Perry, *Transitional 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 The guidelines for Small Groups:

They must be Session Approve

They must have at least 3 people and no more than 12 people

They must have a group leader

They <u>shall have a Christian Education component with prayer</u> time

They shall have a mission focus

Small Groups shall meet no less than once a month, more as needed or desired.

Small Groups will be accountable to the assigned Ruling Elder and have a quarterly review of the educational and missional aspects of the Small Group.

Small Group ministry directs and propels *Learning from Jesus, and Living for Jesus* as reflected in our Vision Statement.

Yes, this is a big change. Yes, it has been a *long time* since Summit has engaged in this much activity; However, this is activity with a purpose, and for the purpose of "Reaching the Lost and Seeking True Worshipers" and the process of making disciple as we are commanded to by Jesus.

These are the changes that are needed to move Summit into the future and to engage our community.

Be open to the Holy Spirit and pray for guidance in this exciting season in the life of Summit Church.

Grace and Peace, Pastor David



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

> DISGUISED WICKEDNESS A revised and enhanced previous lesson)

Study Verses: Eph 6: 10-20; 1 Pet 5: 5-8

The remarkable C.S. Lewis, who authored so many sophisticated and intellectually challenging Christian books, as well as the immensely popular "Chronicles of Narnia Series, reached rarified air upon publishing "The Screwtape Letters". I confess to difficulty grasping Lewis' "Screwtape" mindset. Several abstract paragraphs forced a closer examination to understand the story's compatibility with the author's purpose: **show good and evil from the perspective of Satanic organization.** He exposes fiendish perversion and deception that besiege creation and attempt to frustrate God's plan of redemption through Jesus Christ. Lewis routinely accounts for devilish plans by injecting scriptural thought to verify existence of a diabolic hierarchy. He does so in a serious but surprisingly witty manner. Identifying and discerning our adversary are the crucial first steps in winning the battle…and eventually the war!

The Apostle Paul received his commission and authority directly from Lord Jesus. Upon reading his directives to the early churches, we need remember the profound import and urgency he purposed with every carefully chosen word: "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood"..."Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God..." Dr. Lewis no doubt had Paul's letter to the Ephesians etched into his psyche. It is stated that 'Screwtape Letters and follow-up essay "Screwtape Proposes a Toast" are deadly serious and yet wildly comic. They disturbingly make the case for how the Evil Empire schemes an attack on those they seek to destroy. The two central characters are Screwtape, a well decorated and ranked authority serving "the father below", and nephew Wormwood, portrayed as a bungling novice demon. Uncle Screwtape, through a series of letters frustratingly guides, instructs and often humiliates the nephew in his effort to "secure damnation" for a select English youth. Relationship aside, Screwtape bullishly recommends various approaches in overcoming the Enemy (Jesus) and His spiritual hold on the subject; most of these are related to temporal matters in the natural world. This provides a home field advantage for evil. Lies and deception are predominant in satanic DNA. Lewis makes a point that the devil's own, despise truth, they steadfastly lie to mankind and commonly to one another. Spin a lie often enough and it begins to sound correct. Consider market and humanistic solutions to solving mankind's problems. Isaiah writes: "Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil".

My most significant "keeper" in a book of many, is a stern thought provoking warning. Many Christians are highly vulnerable to the temptations of hell when feeling personally responsible for faith. God's protective Shield is neglected and His sharp double-edged Sword (The Word) remains sheathed. Scriptural summary: **Resist the devil and he will flee from you!** 

Amen



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### How to Pack Your Shoebox Gift

As you prayerfully prepare to pack your shoebox gift, please remember that your shoebox gift will be an expression of God's love to a child. In fact, it may be the only gift the child receives. So, plan to pack quality items that will last, **and don't forget to make it FUN!** 



Join Summit Church and HIS Kids Christian School as we pack shoeboxes for children around the world. If you are packing your own box, please return it to the church by Sunday, November 17. Donations toward a box (suggested donation - \$30) can be given to Carol by Sunday, Nov. 10.



### **Shoebox Gift Suggestions**



### TOYS

- Toy cars
- Jump ropes
- " Yo-yos
- Toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries)

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### PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- Toothbrushes
- Washcloths
- Combs
- Hairbrushes

### **SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

- Pens, pencils, sharpeners, crayons, and markers
- Notebooks and paper
- Coloring and picture books
- Solar calculators

### ACCESSORIES

- Socks
- Sunglasses
- Jewelry and watches
- Flashlights (with extra batteries)

### **DO NOT INCLUDE**

candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; scary or war-related items; seeds; food; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items or glass containers; aerosol cans



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  - 25 Luellen Henderson
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Andy & Tara Corace10/03/09Brandon & Tori Mowry10/03/09Russ & Beverly Bachman10/10/64David & Dana Lawson10/20Ron & Cindy Lemmon10/20Renee & Carl Slupe10/07/2011

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



 It is time for the Boscov's Friends Helping Friends fundraiser. It is just a \$5.00 donation for each pass to support HIS Kids Christian school in exchange for a 25% off discount pass for Tuesday, October 22 from 8 am

to 11 pm at Boscov's in Butler. We get to keep 100% of the profits on this!

Please turn in the money and any unsold passes by Friday Oct 18. We will have extras at the school and at Summit church if you need more.

We appreciate your participation in this and have fun shopping!

If you have any questions please call Amy Warner at 724-355-4396

Thank you for your support.

HIS Kids Christian School Board

### Session,



Reminder that our next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 8.



Articles for the November *Herald* are due to the church office by Monday, October 21. Thanks!

Herald Assembly Team for the November issue:

Terry Dean Amanda Galvan Eleanor Kingan Rex & Judy Jewell



The Russ Morrow family would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all of the staff and members of Summit Church for helping us through our loss. Your cards, prayers, visits, and all of the help we received for his service and dinner are greatly appreciated.

Thank you so much,

Russ Morrow's family

### Address Update!

Here is Madi's updated address if you'd like to send her mail while she is at college:

Madison Harrison 338 Suites on Main North Mailbox #39 840 Wood St Clarion, PA 16214

### Summit Church 2024

Elders

Deacons
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Skip Brown	724-991-8100
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Peggy Peters	724-352-5915
Renee Slupe	724-287-6271
Judy Sutton	724-287-1126
Linda Toy	724-352-3268

Saturday – October 26

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



\*\*Volunteers—new and "experienced" are always welcome to serve at the Summit Church Food Bank. Packing orders and carrying them out to the cars of those we serve there are jobs for everyone! This is a great service opportunity for individuals and families!! Won't you join us??

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### SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

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from the Sept 10, 2024 Session Meeting

**Pastors Report:** Five visits were conducted. The short educational classes after worship have begun on Sept 15th. The new church sign has been installed and fully operational.

**Clerks Report:** Motion approved to accept the minutes from the August 13th. Session Meeting.. Summit Church held a blessing of the teachers and staff for HKCS.

**Finance Committee:** Motion approved to accept the August's treasurer report.

**Congregational Care:** HKCS Board and deacons held a luncheon for the teachers and staff after worship.

**HIS Kids School Report:** Continued prayers for the 2024-2025 school year. Keep an eye out for volunteer opportunities at HKCS.



Memorials were received by Summit Church and HIS Kids Christian School in memory of Russ Morrow:

- ~ Kim & Diane Kesner
- ~ Elaine & John Olean
- $\sim$  Anonymous
- $\sim$  Janet Sepich
- ~ Russ & Bev Bachman
- ~ James & Kristin Hartzell
- ~ Diana & David Campbell

Kids Christian School Pie Sale (Pies are delivered FRESH, not FROZEN!)	Payment and Orders Due Sun. Oct. 27			Delivery: Wednesday, Nov. 13	Pickup Time: 3:15 - 5:00 p.m.	Cream Pies (\$13)	(Cream filling w/ meringue	top)			Coconut Meringue		Other (\$13)	Pumpkin Roll	Place the quantity desired in	the blank before each pie or pumpkin roll.	Please make checks payable to "HKCS Boosters/Summit	Church"			Amount paid:	f items:
HIS Kids Christian School (Pies are delivered FRESH, not	Payment and Ord	Name:	Phone:		Pickup Time:	Fruit Pies (\$13)	Apple	Dutch Apple	(crumb topping)	Blackberry	(contains seeds)	Razzleberry	(blackberry, blueberry, red raspberry)	Cherry	(Traditional Tart Cherries)	Harvest	(blueberry, blackberry, cran- berry, cherry, strawberry)	Peach	Pumpkin	Raisin	Amount due:	Total number of items:
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# HIS Kids Christian School

(Non-Profit Organization)



ONE DAY ONLY - TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2024 SHOP 8AM - 11PM

## DONATE \$5 AND ENJOY:

35% OFF DISCOUNT SHOPPING PASS\*

 REGISTER TO WIN A \$100 BOSCOV'S GIFT CARD One Winner at every Boscov's store 100% OF YOUR DONATION GOES TO OUR ORGANIZATION

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HIS Kids Christian School 724-352-8177

Summit Church 724-287-2378

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### COME AND BE A PART OF TRUCK OR TREAT!



 Please join us for an afternoon of fun! Bring the kids, grandkids, and neighbor kids to experience a variety of large trucks and equipment up close, make some fall crafts, explore the caution tape maze, and take a trip down the treat trail (Costumes are welcome, but should not be scary or gory!) While you're there, grab a bite to eat, take part in the 50/50 raffle, and stop by the vendor tables!

## OCTOBER 12, 2024 11:00-3:00 AT THE CCO BUILDING, TO BENEFIT HIS KIDS

THE CCO BUILDING, TO BENEFIT HIS KIDS CHRISTIAN SCHOOL (SUGGESTED DONATION: \$5 PER PERSON, OR \$15 PER FAMILY)

Could you hand out candy to young trick or treaters? Would you help children to make a craft? Could you provide candy for the treat trail? Would you like to make a monetary donation for food supplies?

Please contact Michelle Morgan (724-283-8223) if you would like to be a part of this event!



**Connecting with Jesus;** 



### Renewing, Recharging, Living a life designed by God

### A retreat for women hosted by Summit Church

### October 18-19, 2024

Calling all women in need of a retreat! Join us at Summit Church for a time of connecting—with Jesus, and with friends, old and new! We will gather at <u>6:00 pm on Friday, Oct. 18</u> for our opening time together and then meet up again at <u>9:00 am Saturday, Oct 19</u>. Our retreat leader will be Mrs. Kathy Foor—you can read about her below. We are excited about what she has to share with us and the time we will have to interact, reflect, and just have fun together!

Lunch and light refreshments will be available during our time together!

Fill out the registration form on the back side and reserve your spot for this time of refreshment and renewal!! Please turn in your form to the church office by Friday, October 11.

Questions?? Your Retreat Planning Team is: Kim Perry, Debbie Moyer, Kim Steighner, Monica Gizienski, Cindy Lemmon, and Carol Novy.

Our Retreat Speaker:

**Kathy Foor** lives with her husband in a small town in the mountains of Western Pennsylvania. She serves in her church as the choir and praise team director. Passionate about the Word of God since her InterVarsity Christian Fellowship days in college, Foor has spent the years since then learning to apply God's Word to her daily life. She has taught numerous Bible Studies, adult Sunday school classes and is passionate about sharing with women how to experience more of Christ's love and grace in their lives.







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Living a life designed by God

### **Participant Information:**

- Full Name:
- Email Address:
- Phone Number:
- Address:
- Emergency Contact Name:
- Emergency Contact Phone Number:

### **Retreat Details:**

- Dietary Restrictions or Allergies:
- Special Accommodations Needed:

### Donations will be accepted and will be used for future womens events

Cash and or Checks can be made out to Submit Presbyterian Church

### **Consent and Agreement:**

- Emergency Medical Consent: I give permission for medical treatment in case of emergency.
   □ Yes □ No
- Photo Release: I consent to the use of photographs taken during the retreat for promotional purposes. □ Yes □ No

Signature:

Date:

Please submit your completed form to Summit Presbyterian Church by October 11th, 2024 181 Caldwell Drive Butler, PA 16002 724 - 287- 2378

summitchurch@zoominternet.net

Thank you for registering! We look forward to a transformative retreat experience together.



### Hark! The Herald Angels' Things

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### **NOTES FROM OUR HIS KIDS TEACHERS !**

Hello and welcome to another year of third grade!! I want to start off by saying "Thank you" for the dedication of the teachers' service. It was so nice meeting and getting to talk to some of the church members. I think it is always a good idea to bring the church and school together. At school, we have gotten through our first full month and we are in the swing of things. We have already completed our first round of MAP testing. MAP testing helps the teachers see where their students may be struggling or excelling. Teachers use this information to help plan their daily lesson plans and small group times. Third grade has been learning about different characters in their reading stories. We have discussed what qualities make a good or interesting character. That led us to a discussion about the third grade book that gets written every year. Everyone was very excited to start brainstorming already. More info. on that later!! In math, we didn't waste much time, we have already begun to dive into multiplication. It is a big step for third grade, but I think this group is up for the challenge!! Our solar system was the main topic of our science unit. Right now, we are in the midst of creating our own solar system and diving deeper into learning about the planets. Our solar system will be on display for our open house. Open house is Nov. 7th from 6:30-8. Please feel free to come out and see what third grade and all of HIS Kids have been up to! As always, thank you for the support of our school! I look forward to another great year.

Mrs. Maxwell– Third Grade Teacher



As we welcome the fall season, we are excited to share the wonderful things happening in fourth grade. We are excited to celebrate Red Ribbon Week this month and learn the importance of living a drug free life. Math has us focused on multi-digit addition and subtraction and we are always strengthening our multiplication and division skills. In Social Studies, our focus will be on early American history and the important role Pennsylvania played in creating our nation. We're excited to explore this in a hands-on way with a field trip to the Sylvania property and we're *really* looking forward to our fall party at the end of the month.

Mrs. Schwalm - Fourth Grade Teacher



Happy fall from Ms. Dimit's fifth grade class! We are now settled into our daily routine in our classroom and I look forward to teaching this wonderful group of 13 students. Fifth grade is a challenging year because it is a big jump in what is expected of the students from what they were used to in fourth grade. I am proud to say that this class is really stepping up to the challenge of doing harder work and taking on more responsibility. My students are very appreciative of the new science kits and supplies that the school has purchased for us to be able to take a more hands-on approach to science this year. Learning to make open and closed circuits during our electricity chapter was so much fun because the students got to figure out how to make an actual light work. Their favorite part was when we attached flying propellers to their electric panels and then watched them fly all over our classroom. I pray that we can have a faith filled learning environment daily in fifth grade through our school year!

Ms. Dimit – Fifth Grade Teacher





One of blessings of a Christian school is we get to meet for Chapel every week! We sing praises to God—songs which also help us to learn God's Word and remember how much God loves us!! One of our favorite songs is "Love the Lord" - it helps us to remember what Jesus taught us in Mark 12:30—to love Jesus with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength—everything we are! When we love Jesus like that, then we will live like he did!! We talk about those things, too—how we can be kind, build one another up, instead of tearing them down; how we can serve one another!

Love Jesus!

Learn from Jesus!

Live like Jesus!

Speaking of serving; at HIS Kids we are involved in various service projects throughout the year. The first one will be packing shoeboxes for children through Operation Christmas Child!





Prayer Huddle

If you would like to be a part of our prayer emphasis this year, we invite you to join us for our monthly "Prayer Huddle". The first Friday of each month—our October Huddle will instead be on Friday, October 4. Meet us at 8:30 am at the front of the school! Everyone is invited!



A new after-school club begins this month! The HIS Kids STEAM club, for 2nd-5th graders, will meet Wednesdays, after school, for 7 weeks beginning October 9. It will be a fun hour of hands-on science experiments and projects. Science is so amazing and fun, especially when you can try the experiments yourself! Miss Delia Devore, a Slippery Rock education student, will be providing this fun, learning experience!



Our New GaGa Ball Pit!!



### Who we are...

A Ministry of Summit Presbyterian Church

### Our Mission Statement...

HIS Kids Christian School is a ministry of Summit Presbyterian Church located in Butler, PA. Our purpose is to educate children and guide them to Jesus Christ through an academically challenging Bible -rich curriculum. We desire to see children develop in a balanced way - spiritually, mentally, physically, and socially, just as Jesus did.

### **Our Board...**

The HIS Kids Board is made up of members of Summit Church, Parents, and the Community. They meet monthly—usually the first Tuesday of the month. Because HIS Kids is a ministry of Summit Church, the board is under the authority of the Summit Church Session. This year's board members are:

Michelle Morgan, President Lynette Glaze, Vice-President Amy Warner, Secretary Jason Dobson Debora Dawson Stefanie Christiansen

Ken Galvan Heather John Holly Collins

### **Our Boosters...**

HIS Kids Boosters are comprised of anyone who supports the ministry of HIS Kids Christian School-anyone can be a HIS Kids Booster!! The Boosters support the mission of HIS Kids Christian School and provide the "extras" for our students and teachers, such as field trips (admission and transportation); special activities, such as our Thanksgiving Feast and end of the year Fun Day; refreshments for concerts and special events, just to name a few. This year's Boosters Leadership Team is made up of Dianna Carr-DiZinno, Janice Stahl, and Tara Cornetti.

### **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.

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