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The Summit Herald
September 2023

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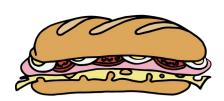
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Hoagie Pick-Up!

Food Bank







UPDATE

Transitional Pastor Updates:

Session interviewed Pastor David Perry for the Transitional Pastor position on Thursday 08/24/2023. Session then unanimously voted to proceed in making an offer to Pastor Dave as our Transitional Pastor.

The Committee will be contacting Pastor Dave with an offer and possible start date if he feels it is God's calling for him at this time.

Pastor Dave is a Transitional Pastor for Venice Church in McDonald, PA. He took them through the process of developing a Mission, Vision, and a solid Church Information Form (CIF) to allow Pastors within the EPC determine if they would be a good fit for that church. In 22 months, Pastor Dave took Venice Church through

this and they have a called and installed Pastor beginning on September 11. Pastor Dave's last day at Venice

Church will be September 10, 2023.

Presbyterian Church

Changing Lives for Jesus Christ!

The Summit Herald is a monthly publication of:
Summit Presbyterian Church

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Church Staff: Pastor

Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

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 If Pastor Dave becomes our Transitional Pastor, he and his wife would be moving from an apartment in

Washington, PA and locate into the area for the time of this calling.

Please continue to pray for God to lead us through this process and what lies ahead for Summit Church

Thank you,

Amanda Galvan, Phil Henkel, Andrew Moyer



SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

from the August 8 Session Meeting

Clerks Report: Motion approved to accept the June 13 Session Minutes.

Finance Committee: Motion approved to accept the June and July treasurers reports.

Christian Education: VBS went well this year with over 70 kids enrolled!

HIS Kids School Report: HKCS is still in need of a few teachers for the 2023-24 school year.

Facilities: Session is looking into quotes for the church roof to fix loose shingles. The YCare end at HKCS needs re-sided. Session is looking into quotes for that as well.



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

God's Golden Rule

(Revised and Expanded Previous Lesson)

Study Verses: Luke 6: 27-38; Matt 5: 45; Rom 6

In early childhood most of us were taught "do unto others as you would have them do unto you" as the model for good social behavior. This brief easily understood expression is commonly known as the Golden Rule. It is derived from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, delivered early in His ministry to a large throng of followers from all over Palestine. Also observing was a group of curious Pharisees, taking in every word from a man they considered a menace to Jewish Law and their authority!

The "love" message from Jesus cast a new light on what man's conduct should be when seeking God's favor. Our Lord spoke with authority using spiritual logic: God shines His sun on the just and unjust alike. Such was His nature. In the same way we are to love our enemies as well as our friends. He knew that without question it is easier to love those who love us. To love our enemies is not natural behavior and difficult to grasp, requiring much prayer, study and determination.

The highly respected Dr. Luke, aside from being a physician, was a scholar fluent in classical Greek, As a Gentile, he penned his inspired Gospel from a non-Jewish perspective. His remarkable use of Greek enabled concise word choices in recording Jesus' message with exceptional clarity.

Should a person be asked to choose one word in English to describe the passion of romantic feeling, the warm concern for your wonderful grandmother, or compassion for the mugger who knocked you down and stole your purse, most likely the word "love" would come to mind for the first two, but Jesus ordered "love your enemies." How can we begin to understand? How do we heed this command?

Dr. William Barklay relates that Luke uses three Greek words which explicitly covers each manner of human love:

ERAN: passionate love of the heart we fall into when we meet that very special person.

PHILEIN: warm affection felt in our heart for those held closely, ie. dear friends and relatives.

<u>AGAPAN:</u> this is not love of the heart, but emotion from the will which flows from God's grace. Agapa love is not what we feel when love comes easily or is mutually shared. It is benevolence extended toward adversaries no matter what evil has been set upon us. This forgiving action brings us closer to Jesus, as it manifests what He expects of us. Loving your enemy is achieved only by seeking Christ's Divine Grace to love as you must.

Holy Scripture clearly states that the Lord (Jehovah) of Israel possesses "love" as an "I Am" trait, the same as what allowed Jesus to suffer and die on the cross. God's Love is *unconditional*! It has nothing to do with who we are personally...or what we have or may not have done. Let's sum up these truths...

"And this is life eternal, that while we were still in our sin, Jesus Christ was crucified."

Amen



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Terry & Christy Thompson	9/25/95
Paul & Mary Jane Kelly	9/28/68
Jason & Kathy Acquaviva	9/29

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

FDFX NEWS

The 2022-23 edition of FDFX (Fully Devoted Followers of Christ) will be starting back up on September 5th! So ladies, block out your Tuesdays from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. and join us! Besides our study time, we have a lot of fun just talking and learning more

about each other as well as spending time in prayer for our needs!



Summit Church Pulpit Supply

Pastor Paul Roberts September 3, 2023 Pastor Rus Howard September 10, 2023 September 17, 2023 Pastor Paul Roberts

Herald Assembly Team for the October issue:

Terry Dean Eleanor Kingan

Amanda Galvan Janet Sepich

Rex & Judy Jewell

September 24, 2023



Articles for the September *Herald* are due to the church office by Monday, September 18th. Thanks!

Session,

Reminder that our next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 12th.





The FUNDRAISER That Sells Itself!

Fundraiser Sale to Benefit:HIS Kids Christian School

Delivery Date: September 27, 2023

Orders and September 10, 2023

Any Questions
Please Contact:

boosters@hiskidscs.org



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Gail Montgomery	724-996-9123			
Andrew Moyer	724-352-0358			
Judy Sutton	724-287-1126			

Saturday - September 30

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

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



**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??

Needed:



The Food Bank is in need of a freezer! If you have one in good working order that you are no longer using, please call the church office. Thank you!!



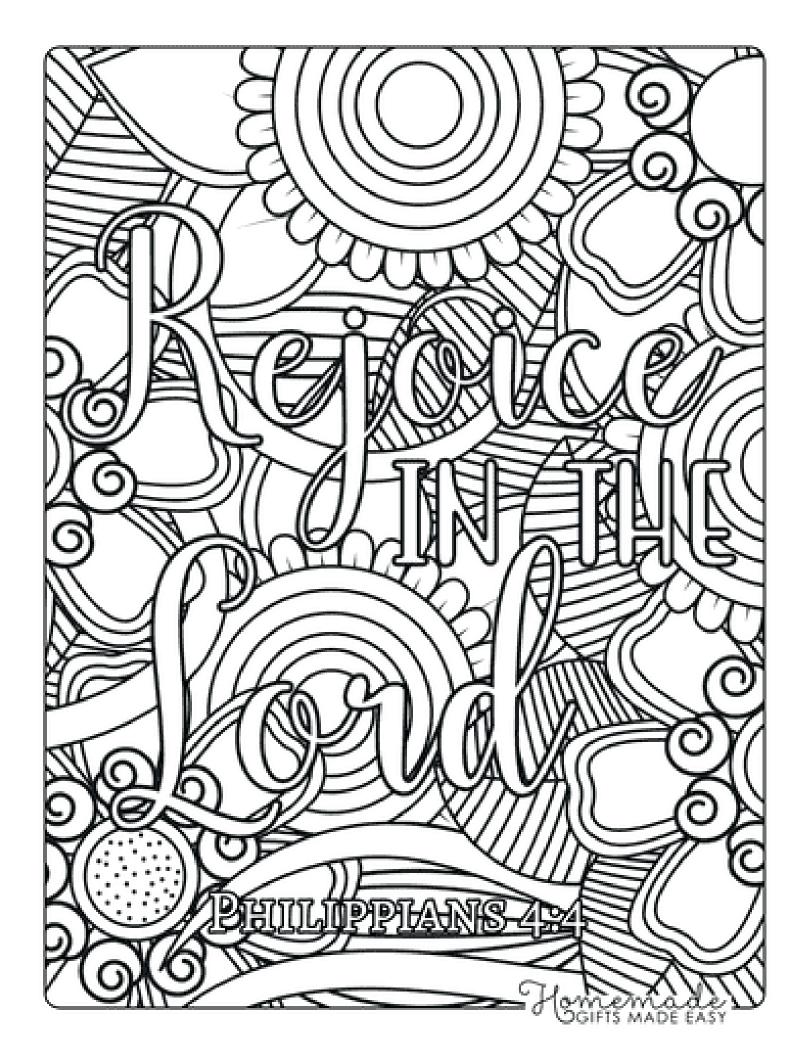


Memorials were received by the Summit Church Food Bank in memory of Howard "Lee" Rumbaugh:

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~ Janet Sepich

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- ~ Susan Carbone
- ~ Dorothy Lippold
- ~ Gregory & Lisa Weckerly





Hark! The Herald Angels' Things

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NOTES FROM OUR HIS KIDS TEACHERS!

My name is Linda Heckman and I am the new kindergarten teacher at His Kids Christian School. I graduated from Eastern Nazarene College in Quincy, Mass. I am married and have three adult children. All of my career has been in early childhood education. I taught for a few years, then opened and operated a large successful child care center and preschool for our church in the Irwin area. I looking forward to working with everyone at His Kids Christian School.

Mrs. Heckman - Kindergarten Teacher

Hello! My name is Tara Corace! I am so excited and happy to be working this year at His Kids Christian School as a Teacher's Aide! A little bit about me, This year my husband Andrew and I will be celebrating 14 years of marriage! Together we have one son Luke age 10. Luke will be going into 5th grade at His Kids! As a family we love the outdoors fishing and being together. I look forward to a great year. God Bless!

Mrs. Corace - HIS Kids Aide



Hi everyone! My name is Tara Riddell, and I am the new 1st grade teacher at His Kids Christian School. I graduated from Carlow University with a Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood Education in 2021. I am from Robinson Township, PA. I have two dogs, Zoey and Chloe. When I am not working, I am either coaching dance, or spending time with my family, friends, and boyfriend. I was a first grade-based building substitute for the past 2 years and am excited to continue in 1st grade! I am so excited to be a part of the His Kids community and hope everyone has an amazing year!

Miss Riddell - First Grade Teacher

Hello, I am Stephanie Horstman, the new general music teacher for His Kids. I am excited to be on staff this year and looking forward to a great year with the kids. In years past I have worked in numerous social service jobs. Currently I am also serving at my church in Butler as the Children's Ministry Coordinator. I have loved music from the time I was a little girl. My strongest area of music is singing but have dabbled in other forms of music throughout my life. I am excited to begin teaching a love of music. I whole heartedly believe that God loves when we make a joyful noise to him. I love how music and worship go hand in hand and am excited to teach this also to our students. When I am not teaching music, I am a mom to 4 kids ages 5-13. My husband Sean and I have two dogs, one that is currently in a service dog training program. I love to go camping with my family and every now and then you might catch me on stage at BC3 performing in a musical.

Mrs. Horstman - Music Teacher





A New School Year Begins!

On Wednesday, August 23rd, a new school year began at HIS Kids Christian School; and we are excited to see the amazing things that God will do in all our lives this school year.

Fifty-two students, Kindergarten-6th grade, entered the doors; some excited, some anxious, some not sure they were ready for school to begin! On Monday/ Tuesday, August 28/29th, 32 preschoolers will begin their 2023-24 school year journey. We are so blessed to be able to love and serve these 84 children and their families.

Our theme for the school year continues to be: "Be Loved. Be Kind. Be You." We want our students to know, first and foremost, that they are loved by God. Then, knowing they are loved, they can reach out and love others by being kind. Finally, we want them to begin the process of learning God's plan and purpose for their life—being the "you" God created them to be!

Our special verse is:

"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you." Ephesians 4:32



I thank God for the many ways in which HIS Kids is blessed!

- 1. God has put together an amazing group of teachers and staff this year at HIS Kids. God worked through many prayers to bring this group together! I can't wait to see how God will use us!
- 2. A committed group of parents, church and community members, who make up the HIS Kids Board.
- 3. A loving, generous church family who show their support of HIS Kids in so many different ways!
- 4. A great group of boosters who work so hard to provide "extras" for our students and staff.
- 5. Families who continue to entrust their children to us for a time.
- 6. Generous donors, both known and unknown, whom God continually uses to surprise us and build our faith.

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Be a part of prayer for HIS Kids!

The first Friday of every month at 8:30 am there will be a Prayer Huddle at the school—we would love for you to join us!

In September we will have prayer cards available, so you can "adopt" a student or two, and pray for them throughout the school year. Stay tuned!!





Who we are...

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 Ken Galvan Ryan Pugh Jason Dobson

Debora Dawson **Holly Collins** Heather John

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.

School E-mail office@hiskidscs.org

School Website https://www.hiskidscs.com HIS Kids Christian School School Facebook Page

Boosters E-mail boosters@hiskidscs.org

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Staff Preschool—LeAnn Yamnitsky Preschool Aide—Patty Hankey Kindergarten—Linda Heckman 1st Grade—Tara Riddell 2nd Grade—Josh Mion Primary Aides—Sherry Smith, Tara Corace 3rd Grade—Kim Maxwell 4th Grade—Jennifer Schwalm 5th Grade—Jennifer Dimit. 6th Grade—Lisa Nagg Bible (3rd-6th Grade)—Carol Novy Music—Stephanie Horstman Art—Brandy Biondo Phys. Educ. (K-6th Grade)— Amanda Galvan Library—Toni Esasky Curriculum Advisor—Marlene Beamer Cafeteria—Tara Cornetti Cleaning — Michele Wardle & Jessica Hanna

Principal—Carol Novy Administrative Assistant—Brittany Morse

Financial Administrator—Katie Anderson Pastor of Summit Church—

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