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Presbyterian  
Church  
181 Caldwell Drive  
Butler, PA 16002

# *The Summit Herald*

August 2023

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## *August Dates to Remember!*

August 8

August 23

August 26

*Session Meeting!*

*Food Bank*





## *Transitional Pastor Updates:*

The Summit Transitional Pastor Nominating Committee has a potential candidate that will be completing his mission with a church in McDonald, PA by the end of September. The committee will be setting up an interview in early August and will provide updates as able. The committee continues to work with EPC Presbytery to acquire more potential candidates.



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*Changing Lives for Jesus Christ!*

### *The Summit Herald*

is a monthly publication of :

**Summit Presbyterian Church**

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*Summit Church is a member of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church.*

### Church Staff:

*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)

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Butler, PA 16002

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Looking forward, pulpit supply for August and September is as follows:

### *Summit Church Pulpit Supply*

August 6, 2023

Pastor Rus Howard

August 13, 2023

Pastor Paul Roberts

August 20, 2023

Pastor Rus Howard

August 27, 2023

Pastor Paul Roberts

September 3, 2023

Pastor Paul Roberts

September 10, 2023

Pastor Rus Howard

September 17, 2023

Pastor Paul Roberts

September 24, 2023

Pastor Rus Howard

## **SESSION HIGHLIGHTS**

### **from the June 13 Session Meeting**

**Clerks Report:** Session needs to appoint a moderator to take over until the EPC appoints one. Session agreed for Amanda to take over as moderator with Phil as a back up in case she can not make a meeting.

**Finance Committee:** Motion approved to accept the May treasurers report.

**Christian Education:** VBS will take place at the end of the month. Please be in prayer. All youth who participated in the youth membership class decided that they are not ready to join just yet.

**Congregational Care:** Father's Day is this coming Sunday. All men will receive a pen.

**HIS Kids School Report:** School is out! Please keep HKCS in your prayers as they prepare for a new school year.

**Facilities:** Session is looking into putting in a handicap sign and multiple stop signs at the Daycare end of the HKCS parking lot for safety and to help with traffic.



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

## **Pastors...Called by God on Our Behalf**

(Revised and Expanded Previous Lesson)

Study Verses: Eph 4: 11-12, Matt 25:32, John 10: 11-14

The Apostle Paul wrote in his letter to the church in Ephesus that our Lord Jesus Christ..."gave some to be Apostles, some to be Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors and Teachers". This decree was essential to the perfecting and edifying of the body of Christ, His Church. Importantly, all who are called and embrace these positions are provided with the spiritual where-for-all to succeed. The early church, as is the case today, did experience failures. Serving Jesus Christ requires great dedication and self-sacrifice. Because of differing attitudes of people, Christian service is a tough task that requires a gentle touch. Courageously adhering to God's uncompromising Word brings victory, but frequently spawns intense opposition. Regardless, rewards are incomparable. Focus on this lesson will be the office of **Pastor**, frontline duty that should never be concerned with common approval of the mission.

By whatever name, minister, preacher, reverend, clergyman, pastor, the objective is the same: bring souls to the saving grace which is Jesus Christ with the resolve to nurture their faith. Church tradition shaped by Holy Scripture helped select **Pastor** as best name describing the function of the office. Remember Jesus' command to Peter..."feed my sheep", reinforces that decision but by no means demands its use exclusively.

### **The Six "Must Haves"**

Wm. Barclay lists five attributes in his study of 1st Thessalonians that a **Pastor** need possess. In acceptance of other scholarly opinions, I've added one which Barclay infers. All "must" work in concert for someday bringing souls home to God's Kingdom.

**Affection for People** To win souls for Christ a Pastor must genuinely like those whom he serves. Conversely, none will be saved if despised!

**Anxious for His Flock** A Pastor who pours heart and soul into his ministry must be concerned as to the enduring quality of the message in each of us. Joy comes with every victory.

**Help Not Condemn** Upon confronting sin or error, it is vitally important the Pastor displays a loving attitude of help in overcoming evil. The velvet glove touch works well in everyday life.

**Rejoicing Over Growth** (see #2) A lovely "must" displaying joy over increasing faith is God's plan and purpose.

**Prayer For All** The Pastor teaches the power and value of prayer. He prays for and with the congregation. Fervent prayer changes circumstances, not God's Will!

**Courage to Preach the Word** Truth may be difficult to accept, nor does it always win approval for the purveyor. Truth nailed Jesus to the cross. Encourage the Pastor who fearlessly speaks the Word.

Remember the old western movie..."Support Your Local Sheriff". Our version: "Support Your Local Pastor"!

### **Change is God's Call!**

It can be a heartfelt loss within the congregation when a Pastor leaves, for whatever reason. This is especially so after a long term, warm and comfortable relationship. Therein rests the possible need for change. The Lord's decision...and it is His, assuredly benefits the community Church and all parts thereof. Solace and courage for the "new" are provided for whomever ask. It may be that "peace that passes all understanding". Good for both the departing pastor and congregation. In God's time to the certain betterment of the Body of Christ. That includes you and me and what we need supply!

Amen



**Thank you for  
shining Jesus'  
light at  
STELLAR VBS!!**



Because of your prayers, your hands-on involvement, your financial donations; YOU had a part in creating an out-of-this world adventure at STELLAR VBS!!

Because you said “yes” to God’s call on your life, 70 children— 3 years-5<sup>th</sup> grade – were able to hear about God’s love for them and how they can be God’s shining lights to the world around them!



How many people were involved “hands-on” with those 70 children?? **45** youth and adults reflected the light of Jesus to shine on others; just like the moon reflects the sun’s light!

**Check out what we learned:**



*When life feels dark, shine Jesus’ light!*

*When people don’t get along, shine Jesus’ light!*

*When good things happen, shine Jesus’ light!*

*When people are sad, shine Jesus’ light!*

*When people need help, shine Jesus’ light!*



We were also able to shine Jesus’ light on children all over the world; children we will probably never meet! But our VBS mission offering of \$860.33 will send to these children 71 Bibles, in their own language! Isn’t it amazing how God uses our pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters, when we shine Jesus’ light!!

**Stay tuned as we look forward to VBS 2024!!  
Make plans to join us for...**





## Summertime Update:

School may be out for the summer, but there is still a LOT going on over at HIS Kids Christian School! Summertime is the opportunity to get reset for a new school year!

- \* New student registration is ongoing, so if you know any children age 3 to 6th grade—send them our way!
- \* As we have a firmer grasp on our class numbers, curriculum can be ordered! The process actually begins before the end of the school year, and then sometimes we need to wait until PA passes the state budget! Unfortunately, this year, the folks in Harrisburg are deciding to take their time in getting the job done. That means some of our textbooks won't arrive before school starts! Many thanks to Marlene Beamer, who keeps on top of all our curriculum ordering!
- \* School cleaning—which includes getting the floors to sparkle! We want to make sure our teachers and students start the year in a nice, clean environment!
- \* Staff hiring and training—this year we have said good-bye to teachers who are moving on to other places and adventures; which means we have big shoes to fill! So we go through the process of searching, interviewing, and hiring—trusting that God has just the right people to love and teach our students! Your prayers are always welcome! The staff also gathers for training and planning times during the summer!
- \* And so much more...

## HIS Kids: A Ministry

HIS Kids Christian School has been a ministry of Summit Church since September of 2002 when we opened the doors with our first preschool class. From the beginning our mission—our purpose—has been to educate children, while guiding them to Jesus Christ, and helping them to grow as Jesus did: spiritually, mentally, physically, and socially. (Luke 2:52)

HIS Kids has grown over the years, not because of one or two people, but through a multitude of people whom God has placed at just the right time, for just the right season. Some of you have been a part of God's plan to grow up a ministry which reaches out to our community with the love of Jesus Christ.

We will soon begin a new school year—would you please pray and ask God where He might have you serve in this ministry? You may be asking yourself—what could I possibly do? First, pray and ask God to give you a heart that is available to be used by Him. Then, listen for how God may be directing you.

Here are some places and ways that you could be a part of this ever growing and changing ministry!

- \* **PRAY!** This will be a intentional focus this year. Coming together once a month to pray for HIS Kids. Perhaps you would like to “adopt” a child (or two) for whom you will pray over the course of the year!
- \* **SHINE JESUS' LIGHT!** Be a presence with our students. We would love to have you as a lunch monitor, or perhaps, leading our kids to create amazing art projects, Maybe God will call you to be a part of our new “Backpack Blessings” ministry (more on that later!!).

In short, HIS Kids needs YOU to share in the ministry/mission to which God has called Summit Church. Talk with God today-then listen!





# August

BIRTHDAYS

- |                  |                        |
|------------------|------------------------|
| 2 Amy Warner     | 15 Valarie Wolfe       |
| Michelle Lauster | 16 Melody Kaltenhauser |
| 8 Sue Morrow     | 17 Kenny Beattie       |
| 9 Aubrie Faust   | Tim Seybert            |
| 10 Marlee Smith  | 18 Hallee Hassler      |
| 11 Lila Child    | Michael Pettit         |
| 12 Jim Foertsch  | 24 Jennifer McCommon   |
| Barb Wagle       | 27 Jim Lawson          |
| 14 Xander Smith  | 29 Pastor Tom          |
| Ben Dean         | 30 Julian Sanks        |
|                  | Bonnie Smith           |
|                  | 31 Lisa Seybert        |



# August

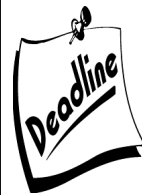
ANNIVERSARIES

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|---------------------|---------|
| Russ & Sue Morrow   | 8/30/60 |
| Phil & Lynn Henkel  | 8/10/68 |
| Rex & Judy Jewell   | 8/17/60 |
| Bill & Shanda McLay | 8/18/12 |

*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!



Articles for the September *Herald* are due to the church office by Monday, August 21st. Thanks!

*Session,*

*Reminder that our next meeting will be on Tuesday, August 8th.*



### Herald Assembly Team for the September issue:

- |               |                 |
|---------------|-----------------|
| Dave Faust    | Kathi Fischer   |
| Peggy Peters  | Cheryl Rumbaugh |
| Amanda Galvan |                 |





Memorials were received by the Summit Church Food Bank in memory of Paul Steighner:

- ~ Denise DiPasquale
- ~ Don Regan
- ~ Mr. & Mrs. Richard DiPasquale
- ~ Judy & Doug Farney
- ~ Mary Bauer
- ~ Bruce & Terry Dean
- ~ Amy Warner
- ~ Carolyn Jacobs
- ~ Helen Boyer
- ~ Bev Bachman
- ~ Lois McCommon
- ~ Bertha Norris
- ~ Alan Kovacik



*Thank you for your thoughts and prayers during Paul's illness and passing.*

*We would also like to thank those who sent cards, prepared food, and gave memorial gifts to the Food Bank.*

*Paul was a part of Summit since he was a teenager. He enjoyed serving the church in many capacities and continued up until the last couple of years.*

*Your kindness and generosity are truly appreciated.*

— The Paul Steighner Family



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

- ~ Rose Rumbaugh
- ~ Alvin, Bernard, & Dennis Rumbaugh
- ~ Mitch
- ~ Diane Geist
- ~ Mona Jean & Bernard Chelko
- ~ Paul & Ellen Smith
- ~ Dennis & LeeAnn Rumbaugh
- ~ Summit Twp Sportsman Club
- ~ Timothy Faux
- ~ Barbara Roth
- ~ Tracey DiPaolo
- ~ Kenneth J. Streilein
- ~ Bev Bachman
- ~ Sigi-Mo, Erik & Trina Luna, Renee & Taku Hirai, and Rob & Brittany Mo
- ~ Eagle Wings Academy
- ~ Francis Steiner Family
- ~ Donna Sheakley
- ~ Bruce & Terry Dean



*Thank you all for thoughts, prayers, cards and food bank donations in memory of Lee.*

— Cheryl Rumbaugh and family

# Summit Church 2023

## Elders

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 Linda Toy 724-352-3268

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## Saturday - August 26

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??

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*Back to School*  
**ICE CREAM SOCIAL & FOAM PARTY!**  
*Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup>*  
*6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.*  
*Foam Fun is from 6:30 - 7:30 Only!*

\*We will have dairy free options, with an ice cream sundae bar & toppings!  
 HIS Kids Christian School 650 Saxonburg Road Butler, PA 16002  
 Boosters@hiskidscs.org / Facebook: HKCS boosters

*Since 1987*  
**Marianna's**  
 FUNDRAISERS


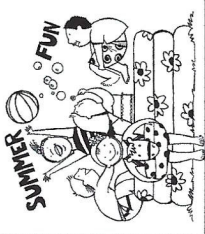

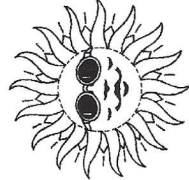



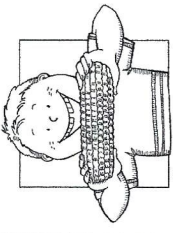
**The FUNDRAISER**  
*That Sells Itself!*

Fundraiser Sale to Benefit: HIS Kids Christian School  
 Delivery Date: September 27, 2023  
 Orders and Money Due By: September 10, 2023  
 Any Questions Please Contact: boosters@hiskidscs.org

  
[www.MariannasFundraisers.com](http://www.MariannasFundraisers.com)



# AUGUST

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> <u>Sunday Schedule:</u> Worship: 10 a.m. Women's Sunday School Class: 11 a.m.	<b>2</b> 7:00 HK Board Mtg.	<b>3</b> 	<b>4</b> 9:30 the Sew-Sews	<b>5</b> 	
<b>6</b> <b>Communion</b>	<b>7</b>  August	<b>8</b> 7:00 Session Mtg.	<b>9</b> 	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 9:30 the Sew-Sews	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> 	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 9:30 the Sew-Sews	<b>19</b> 
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Herald articles due!	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 9:30 the Sew-Sews	<b>26</b> 8:30 Food Bank
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	