

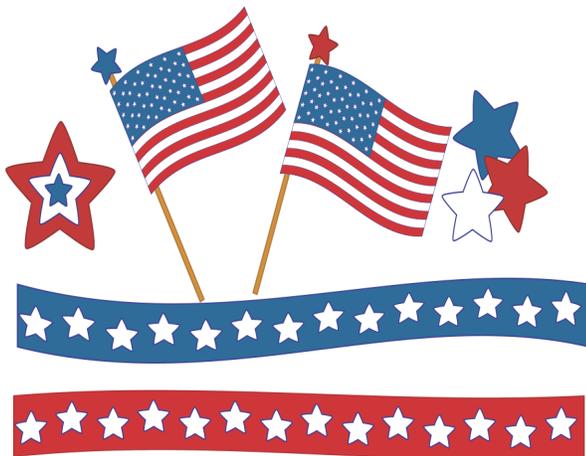
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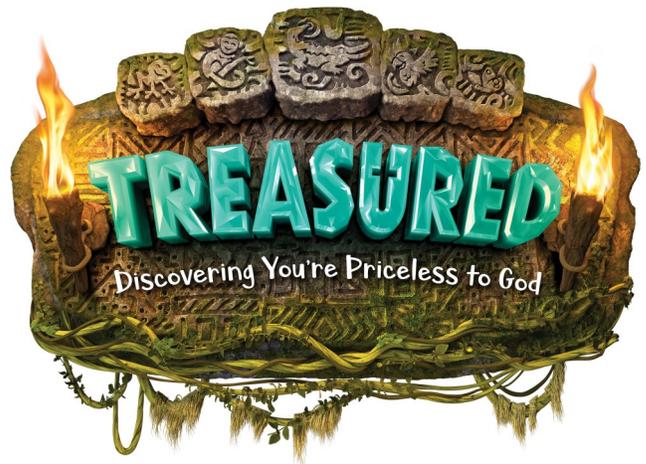
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Important dates to remember!



Sunday, July 4th



Week of July 12



I sat down at my computer to write a pastor's page for the July/August newsletter and, to be honest, my mind was completely blank. After a while of nothingness, I decided to do an internet search of other pastor's pages and see if I could find some inspiration. However, I came up empty. I even feel somewhat empty.

Writing a pastor's page can be a lot like life in general. Sometimes I feel inspired and excited about my faith and life. Other times I may feel uninspired and maybe somewhat empty. But, when that happens, I know the problem is not with the Lord but with me. The Lord is moving. The Lord is redeeming. The Lord is transforming. I just am not seeing it at this moment in time. All I see is the mundane view of life we encounter in Ecclesiastes 1: "All the rivers flow into the sea, yet the sea is never full; to the place from which the streams come, there again they flow. All things are wearisome, more than one can describe; the eye is not satisfied with seeing, nor the ear content with hearing. What has been will be again, and what has been done will be done again; there is nothing new under the sun" (vv. 7-8).

In the book of Lamentations, Jeremiah reminds us that there is ALWAYS something new under the sun! He reminds us that "because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness" (3: 22). Wow! If that doesn't get me excited, I don't know what will? As I typed those words, I had a great idea: I went to Youtube and just started listening to some praise music. The empty feeling is being transformed into a feeling of fullness as I am listening. So, I am going to quit writing and just start listening and enjoying.

Love and Blessings, Pastor Tom



SESSION HIGHLIGHTS from the June 8 Meeting

- Pastor's Report:** Motion approved for Pastor Tom to perform the baptism of McKenzie Corace on June 27th.
- Clerk's Report:** Motion approved to accept the minutes from the May 18 Session Meeting as amended.
- Finance Committee:** Motion approved to accept May treasurers report.
- Christian Education:** VBS registrations are being turned in. A planning meeting will be held this Thursday evening to go over more details.
- HIS Kids Christian School Report:** A lot of work needs done over at the CCO Building. Any volunteers for painting and outside work would be appreciated.



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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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DAMSELS' DISTRESS....MUTED MIRACLES

Study Verses: Gen 9: 4-6; I Kings 22: 35; Matt 27: 24; Rom 3: 25; I Pet 1: 5; Heb 9: 14; Eph 1:7; Lev 17: 11; Mark 5: 25-43

Some years ago I penned a well received lesson titled: Life is in the Blood. The central theme was purposed to explain God's vital concern for His people to understand and cautiously handle blood, animal or human. Envision the essential Blood Covenant. Explicit ceremonial Jewish law foreshadowed Jesus' shedding of His precious, innocent blood on Calvary, to redeem all lost souls who reach out in faith. Exclusively, our eternal life is found in the flowing crimson stream Jesus Christ lovingly gave up. "And this is life eternal...". In the original lesson and the later expanded version, a brief paragraph was given to address the miraculous healing of a woman with a serious blood disorder. It deserved much greater coverage.

"The Miracles", is a beautiful verbal mural of several of our Lord's compelling signs and wonders, authored by Pastor Gary Inrig. For the greater part, the following section comes directly from Pastor Inrig's well researched account of Jesus' earthly ministry. Extracted from the preface to his conclusion in form of quotes and paraphrases, I made effort to harmonize his broad collection of inciteful statements. Hopefully, the stage will be set for greater appreciation of "The Promised One". Jesus, the Christ came forth from the Father to serve and to save.

The term *miracle* can be used "to describe an extraordinary, unexpected event, a special grace, an answer to prayer". In the Bible, miracles are indeed varied, but contain common qualities. Inrig asserts God can work in unique ways to "present and sustain His universe, when naturalistic explanations are finally inadequate". Miracles are not permanent changes to natural ways. The Creator of all things decides when, where and what manner! At times "intentionally provocative" (Sabbath healings), there was never a "trace of jaw-dropping, supernatural stunts" displayed in any Jesus miracle. Rather you will sense acts of profound compassion and mercy for whatever the need, for Jew or Gentile, for the worthy or not." The primary purpose of the Lord's miracles was to authenticate His true identity and His divine message. Jesus didn't just do miracles, He was a miracle.

SUFFERING, SORROWFUL & SECRET

Capsule Lead-In: Jesus and the disciples had returned from an arduous journey to the eastern shore of the Sea of Galilee, hostile territory that was thought to be a training exercise for future mission expeditions. Dangerous, difficult but deemed necessary. On this trip, Jesus displays Lordship over the forces of nature (calming of the killer storm), and the powers of darkness (freeing a severely demonized man). Jesus had reigned supreme! His followers understood more; the large curious crowds in Capernaum clamored for more upon hearing what had transpired. Could he...would he help them? It was not a question of why Jesus "healed", but who and when. While still on the shore a very large crowd gathered around Jesus and suddenly a man, identified as Jairus fell at His feet, imploring Jesus to follow him home to "lay your hands" on his deathly sick twelve year old daughter. He believed that then she would be well and live. Jairus, an influential lay leader of the local synagogue, had likely crossed paths with Jesus at worship many times. As a supporter of the Scribes and Pharisees, it may be presumed that all was not cordial. But now controversies seemed utterly irrelevant. Jesus followed Jairus, pressed on all sides by a parade of the curious. The social standing of the seeker was not a factor for Jesus. It did, however, impact the predominately Jewish crowd.

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“And there was a woman who had a discharge of blood for twelve years, and who suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all she had, and was no better but rather grew worse. She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind Him...and touched His garment”. As suddenly as it began, the healing journey for an important man’s beloved daughter came to a jarring halt due to the secret, subtle plan of a no-name! It is doubly important to grasp the “why and how come” of this mysterious, stealthy woman. If discovered in this sea of people, she not only faced great shame, but was in serious danger. Her persistent reproductive discharge for so long a period created a weakened, debilitating condition leaving her impoverished, ceremonially unclean and thusly shunned and alone. Hopeless, helpless and desperate, she hears of this Jesus person and quickly devises a **get-in-and-get-out-plan**. It works...except for her get away. “...the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body...she was healed...Jesus perceiving that power had gone out from Him, immediately turned about...and said, ‘Who touched my garments?’...the woman knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling fell down before Him and told Jesus the entire truth. He said to her, Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease”.

RESURRECTION POWER

Certainly the prominent leader Jairus was not pleased with the delay caused by the surprise miraculous healing. This was to be his daughter’s planned healing. Word had arrived she had died. Jesus told Jairus “do not fear only believe”. Upon arriving at his home with Peter, James and John, Lord Jesus put scoffing mourners outside and spoke “Talitha cumi”. The girl arose, walked and ate. Love, truth and action define your Lord and mine.

Amen



Thank you for all of the cards, kind words, and gestures since the sudden passing of our dear Jim. What a comfort to have support from our loving church family. We also appreciate the donations to Alpha Omega/Promise of Life Network. He was planning on the May 22 Walk For Life, as he had in past years, so we thought it was a great way to honor him.

~ Family of Jim Faust



What better way to help encourage our college students, than to give them a little taste of home! Please email the church office at sum-mitchurch@zoominternet.net or call the church office at (724) 287-2378 with your student’s college address and we’ll add it to our *Summit Herald* address database! Thank you!



Memorials were donated to the Promise of Life Network in memory of Jim Faust:

- ~ Concordia Visiting Nurses
- ~ Mike & Jennifer Suttor

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 Dr*Butler*PA*16002
 Or scan and email to: canovy3@gmail.com
 Or register online at: www.vbspro.events/p/
 summitchurchvbs2021



Drive-In Registration Form

Family Name: _____

Children Attending: _____ Age/Grade finished _____
 _____ Age/Grade finished _____
 _____ Age/Grade finished _____
 _____ Age/Grade finished _____

Adults Attending: _____

Which session do you want to attend? (circle one only) M-W (July 12 & 14) T-Th (July 13 & 15)

Street address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Best Phone # to contact: (_____) _____

Best e-mail address: _____

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

**Can't decide? Get more than one color!! \$7.00 for one shirt; \$13.50 for two!!

**Mark the quantities in the appropriate boxes.

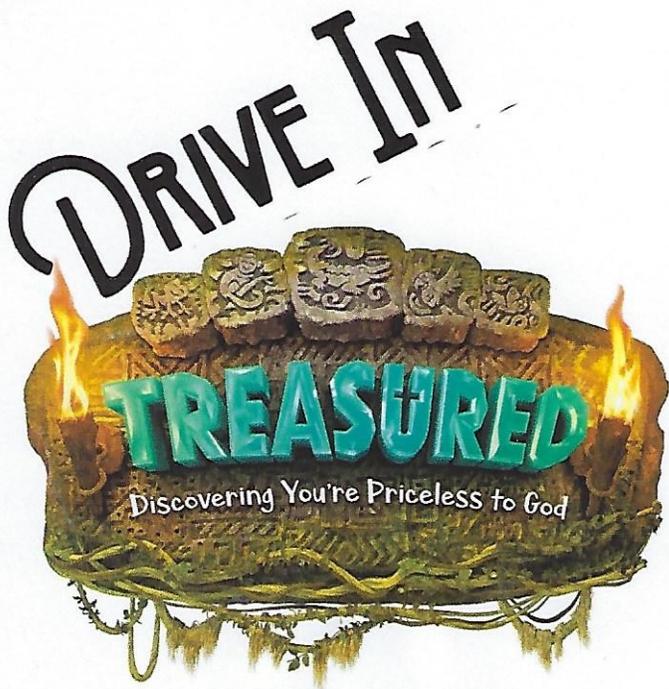
Please attach cash or check (Summit Church) to this registration form. Deadline for shirt orders is NO LATER than June 24th!

Treasured T-Shirts! Order Deadline—June 24th

	Yth	Yth Sm	Yth Med 10-12	Yth Lg 14-16	Adult SM	Adult MED	Adult LG	Adult XL
Bright Pink								
Cherry Red								
Neon Green								
Sapphire Blue								

*T-shirt order has been placed.
 There are just a few extra shirts! Check with Carol*

2X-3X sizes are available. \$2 additional for 2X; \$3 additional for 3X



PACK YOUR GEAR!!

M-W (July 12-14)

Or

T-Th (July 13-15)

Time: 6:30-8:00 pm

Meet at: Summit CCO (HIS Kids School) in the Back

MAKE PLANS NOW FOR THIS SUMMER'S AMAZING TREASURED VBS ADVENTURE!

We had so much fun last year (and packing 125 kids plus adults into the multipurpose room is still a little dicey with COVID still hanging around), we thought we'd do our "drive-in" VBS one more summer! God gave us such an amazing week in July last year, we are trusting Him again for great weather—it can't hurt to start praying now!!

Here's the plan so far—it's always in process!!:

- ◆ This will be a "Drive-In VBS" for the whole family! Grandparents are invited, too! We will have a stage—with sound system—set up outside in the back of the school building. We will guide you to your parking spot!
- ◆ There will be two—2 evening sessions, from which your family will choose one: Monday-Wednesday (July 12&14) or Tuesday-Thursday (July 13&15)
- ◆ If you want to bring bag chairs/folding chairs to sit outside the car, you may do that. Because of the changes toward more openness, we will probably be able open up a little bit more! Yay!!
- ◆ Each night, every family will receive a supply pack with items needed to follow along!
- ◆ Each family will receive a Treasured VBS CD free!
- ◆ See the Treasured VBS website-now for registration, FAQ's, t-shirt colors

We hope you and your family will join us for Treasured VBS

Discovering You Are Priceless to God!!

Register at: www.vbspro.events/p/summitchurchvbs2021



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| 2 Jayden Morse | 17 Amanda Fischer | 2 Amy Warner | 17 Kenny Beattie |
| 5 Carol Grippo | Rich Hoffman | Michelle Lauster | Tim Seybert |
| Jensen Morse | 18 Allison Spreng | 8 Sue Morrow | 18 Hallee Hassler |
| 6 Darrell Kingan | Diana Dunbar | 9 Aubrie Faust | Michael Pettit |
| 8 Autumn Cichra | 19 David Huff | 10 Marlee Smith | 21 Buck Pfeifer |
| Bruce Dean | Linda Morse | 11 Lila Child | 24 Jennifer McCommon |
| Ashley Foertsch | 20 Mary Ann Fleeger | 12 Jim Foertsch | 27 Jim Lawson |
| 9 Cindy Lemmon | 25 Dave Cadugan | Barb Wagle | 29 Pastor Tom |
| 10 Liam Lucas | Helen Dunbar | 14 Xander Smith | 30 Julian Sanks |
| 14 Eva Jean Ohl | 27 Phil Henkel | Ben Dean | Bonnie Smith |
| Levi Lucas | Jan Smith | 15 Valarie Wolfe | 31 Lisa Seybert |
| 16 Esther Stepanovich | 28 Barb Cichra | 16 Melody Kaltenhauser | |
| | 31 Zach Fife | | |



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| Dutch & Grace Grabe | 7/16 |
| Rich & Lauren Hoffman | 7/16 |
| Steve & Terri Antoszyk | 7/25 |
| Russ & Sue Morrow | 8/3/60 |
| 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 office. Thanks!

Session,

Reminder that there will not be a Session Meeting in July. Our next meeting will be on August 10 at 7:00 p.m. in the church sanctuary.



Articles for the September *Herald* are due to the church office by Monday, August 23. Thanks!

Saturday - July 31 & August 28

Time - 8:30 a.m. for volunteer packers
9:30 a.m. for order pick-up



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~ Dave Faust

Herald Assembly Team for the September issue:

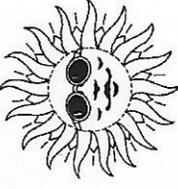
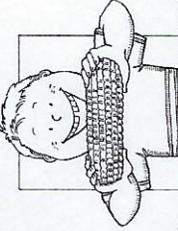
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| Peggy Peters | Cheryl Rumbaugh |
| Dorothy Steighner | Paul Steighner |



July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
					9:30 the Sew-Sews	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
		7:00 HK Board Mtg.			9:30 the Sew-Sews	
		Treasured VBS! See you there!				
		No Session Mtg!				
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
					9:30 the Sew-Sews	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
					9:30 the Sew-Sews	8:30 Food Bank 

AUGUST

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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22	23 <i>Herald</i> articles due!	24	25 	26	27 9:30 the Sew-Sews	28 8:30 Food Bank 
29	30 	31	<u>Sunday Schedule:</u> Worship: 10 a.m.			