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ELDERTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE COST OF FOLLOWING JESUS

LUKE 9:57-62

57 As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." 58 And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." 59 To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, let me first go and bury my father." 60 And Jesus said to him, "Leave the dead to bury their own dead. But as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." 61 Yet another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home." 62 Jesus said to him, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

There are causes that lead to commitment issues. Many events that happen in a person's life can lead to one having commitment issues. You will find people with commitment problems getting panicky or dismissive when you talk about future plans. People who have commitment issues are most likely not to be emotionally attached. People who have commitment issues avoid making plans. People who have issues with commitment have a fear of long-term relationships.

Any person who would follow Jesus must understand it requires total commitment. It is a rejection of the world and all that it has to offer, if that what it means. Discipleship is not a fly by night affair. Discipleship requires that Jesus and the kingdom be the priority of life. To follow Jesus means more than just singing hymns. It is a reorientation of life, involving suffering and rejection. The Christian is to make a daily obligation to discipleship.

1. To Be a Disciple Calls for a Reorientation of Life. Faith can be expressed and experienced in a variety of ways, but there comes a time each one's journey when it is necessary clearly and unequivocally to declare the depth of that commitment. God is to have a priority in our lives that is going to interfere with our convenience. Unlike other things we commit ourselves to, God comes first. With single-minded devotion and wholehearted courage, we must pursue what lies ahead, never turning aside, and never looking back

2. To Be a Disciple Takes Resolve. But the man said, "Lord, let me first go and bury my father." And Jesus said to him, "Leave the dead to bury their own dead. But as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Following Jesus is what it is all about. We are to follow Jesus when we feel like it and when we don't feel like it. It requires unresolved wavering to follow Jesus.

3. To Be a Disciple Takes an Absolute Commitment. A commitment to Jesus is exclusive. A commitment to Jesus demands a total break from the past. Your past cannot have the power over you if you are going to follow Jesus. Discipleship means entering into a lifelong relationship with Jesus.

Any person who would follow Jesus must understand it will require total commitment. We must reject the world and all that it has to offer. This is what it means to be a disciple.

Yours Because of Him,

Angel

GREETERS & ACOLYTE'S

Mark Your Calendars

If the date assigned to you conflicts with your schedule, **PLEASE TRADE** with someone else on the list and let the church office know of this change.

GREETERS should be at the door at 10:10 AM and the bell should be rung 10 times at 10:15 and again at 10:30 AM. You should also get the collection plates before the service begins; the collection plates are on the first pew in the back section of the church in the black cloth bag.

Please lock the front doors into the church. Pull to make sure the door is latched, use the small "key" found on the window ledge, insert it into the bar of the door and turn until the bar pops out. The handicap door will remain unlocked until 10 minutes into service (Cassie will take care of this.)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>GREETERS</u>	<u>ACOLYTES</u>
August 7	Gary and Cindy Henderson	Emily Johns
August 14	Tom and Sandy Wingard	Jonah Scrips
August 21	Scott and Brenda Coleman	Mia Scrips
August 28	Cheryl Hankey and Jeff Schrecengost	Liam Scrips
September 4	Charlene De La Cruz and Pam Flickinger	Aaron Quinn



FLOWERS FOR AUGUST

August 7 and 14– open
 August 21 and 28 – open
 August 28 – Linda Prugh – communion table arrangement

Joanie Riggle is the contact person for the flower calendar. If anyone wishes to request a date for chancel flowers or for an organ or table arrangement, please schedule with Joanie, 724-954-1671.

As our wonderful choir takes a break for the summer, we would like to have something special in the place of the weekly anthem.

If you would be interested in sharing your talent with us for worship or if you know someone who would like share their talent with us, please contact Cassie Clowser or see the sign up sheet in the Upper Room for available dates.

If you have a special poem, an inspiring video, a dance, a song, or a musical piece that you think the congregation would enjoy, PLEASE share it with us.



IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Jean E. Quinn
May 29, 2022

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith"
2 Timothy 4:7



IN MEMORIAM

Glenna Mae "Toots" Shughart
July 20, 2022

*"In my Father's house are many mansions...
I go to prepare a place for you."*
John 14: 2

ATTENTION SESSION AND DEACONS



There will be a joint session and deacons meeting
August 11, 2022 at 5:30 at the Manse.
Please bring a covered dish,
we will eat at 5:30 prior to our meetings.

HELPING HAND

The Helping Hand Center in Rural Valley is a non-profit center offering low-cost clothing, and household items to the surrounding communities. The center is operated by volunteers from nine churches in the area. As a mission of our church, it is our responsibility to have someone at the center on the dates we are scheduled.

We need a volunteer from our congregation to be the contact person with Helping Hand to oversee the scheduling for our church.

Peg Rowan has been our contact person in the past and has organized the information needed to continue this mission.

Please contact Peg 724-354-3399 or
the church office 724-354-3117
if you would like to be a part of this mission.

The Center is opportunity for us to volunteer,
embrace the spirit of giving generously, and to serve others...
we must remember to always lend a "Helping Hand"!

Please prayerfully consider being a part of this mission.



DEAR FRIEND,

It is my pleasure to invite you and the ladies of your church to the SHE IS Conference on October 20-22, 2022 in Indiana, PA. It is going to be an incredible weekend, and we would love for you to join us!

The SHE IS Conference is a powerful gathering of women of all ages that is dedicated to seeing every woman be rooted and grounded in who SHE IS in Christ. You'll experience an inviting atmosphere where you will engage with hundreds of other women in uplifting worship and inspiring teaching. This year we have made some changes to our schedule which we are really excited about. We believe this will give attendees space to process each of the sessions, and really build meaningful community.

This year's conference theme is She Is MARKED. Ephesians 2:8-10 says, "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life." Our prayer for this year's conference is that every woman will be reminded that she is marked for a purpose for the good of others and the glory of God.

You will love this year's She Is Conference team of gifted communicators. Alex Seeley, Christine Caine, and Toni Collier will help us to dig deep into scripture and learn how to apply it to our lives. Tiffany Thurston will lead us in a powerful time of praise and worship. The She Is Conference team will be sure to create an environment that exalts the name of Jesus and impacts you.

During the conference, we will have a luncheon for Pastor's Wives and Women in Ministry. We would love to provide an opportunity for you to connect with other women just like you. We need each other! More information will be coming about this, so be on the lookout for an email coming your way as it gets closer to conference time.

If you and your ladies are able to join us this year...I would love it! The conference will be held at the KCAC (Kovalchick Convention and Athletic Complex). In order to get the best seats and prices, I would encourage you to register as soon as possible. You may register as a group or individually online at sheisconference.org or by calling 888.524.4165. Early bird prices will end September 1st.

If you have any questions, please contact us at 888.524.4165 or email us at sheis@summitpa.church. I look forward to meeting you and some of the women from your world!

In Him,

Kim Masengale
Conference Host

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ELDERTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH KIDS FUN DAY

LET THE "SON" SHINE IN!

AUGUST 20, 2022
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
3 years old - 6th grade

We will learn how much Jesus loves us with a craft, a lesson and bible verse, music, water games, and pizza for lunch.

The children will sing their songs the following day during worship service.

Sunday, August 21, 2022
10:30 AM

To register your child, please contact
Hannah Schrecengost 724-541-3360
The church office - 724-354-3117
Or email preschurch@eldertonpa.org

If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Hannah.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Josh Rodgers – 1st
Jo Foster – 2nd
Alexa Plavi – 2nd
Anthony Saltsman – 2nd – 1 year old
Helen Bowser – 3rd
Bill Lynch – 4th
Chris Perry – 4^h
Pam Gaff – 5th
Joe Scrips – 5th
Emma Woznick – 6th
Phyllis Popp – 7th
Susan Schrecengst – 7th
Sally Fink – 7th
Adam Dyott – 7th
Andy Patz – 8th
Melvin (Buster) Rodgers – 10th
Mason Lukehart - 10th
Tom Popp – 11th
Courtney Orr – 12th
Kiera Meyer – 12th
Buddy Schall – 13th
Bob Stitt -14th
John Craig – 14th
Karen Olsen – 18th
Emily Shaffer – 20th
Ellen Speer – 20th
Brittany Coleman – 21st
Leandra Saltsman – 21st
Don Rupert – 22nd
Larissa Brown – 22nd
Aria Woznik – 22nd
Nancy Schrecegost – 23rd
Danielle Palumbo – 23rd
Reed Shaffer – 23rd
Danielle Kunkle – 24th
Jaden Klonowski – 25th
Hannah Schrecengost - 28th
Jeff Prugh – 29th
Paxton Spencer- 30th
Roy Cessna – 31st
Jill Ramer – 31st

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

Adam & Sara Lasser – 2nd, 2008
Gary and Leandra Slatsman – 2nd, 2020
Joe & Betsy Bertolino – 9th, 1969
John & Julie Quinn – 9th, 2014
Pat & Sue Dickman – 10th, 1973
Richard & Laurie Pritt – 13th, 1988
Greg & Kate Olsen – 16th, 2008
Ryan & Sarah Scrips – 19th, 2006
Jamey & Sheila Brumbaugh–28th, 1987 – **35 years**
Dewey and Veda Hixenbaugh – 29th, 2020-

August 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 10:30 –Worship Service	8	9 10:00-3:00 Helping Hand	10	11 5:30 – Joint Session and Deacons meeting at the Manse	12	13
14 10:30 –Worship Service	15	16	17	18	19	20 9:00 - 1:00 Kids Summer Fun Day
21 10:30 –Worship Service Hunger Offering	22	23	24	25 10:00-3:00 Helping Hand	26	27
28 10:30 –Worship Service	29	30	31			