



## The Flash

Summit United Methodist Church

May 12, 2023

This week: *Guardian of the Soul*

Next week: *Always Ready*

**Summit United Methodist Church is a Lighthouse Congregation of the Western Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church.**

**Safe Sanctuaries and Clearances ...** if you would like to work with children or vulnerable people you must have the Pennsylvania state required clearances. To be a safe place for others to come to we would like to have as many people as possible to get their clearances. Having them in place may allow others to feel more comfortable with us. It's not too difficult to get clearances, and we are here to help you. Contact Lori in the church office or Donna Eaton to see if your clearances are current or need updated, or if you would like to have some help in getting them. They are free for volunteers and are good for 5 years. Lori or Donna can help you with getting them, just give them a call at 814-864-3271.

**Our website has been updated....please check it out at [www.summitumc.net](http://www.summitumc.net)**

**Confirmation Sunday and Pentecost is May 28<sup>th</sup>!** Please join us and celebrate the birth of the church as we welcome our newest members. Remember to wear your red!

**Graduate Recognition Sunday** will be in early June, so we are in need of the names of those graduating from high school or college. Please contact Lori in the church office with the names of those who should be recognized.



**We are in need of tech servants for our Sunday morning worship services!** It is important that we can continue our online worship services as we reach out to others...do you like to be in control....can you push buttons....we have a job for you! We can use camera operators...just point and shoot....and powerpoint operators.....just push the button....maybe be an online host...monitor the sound and chat....lots of opportunities...no special skills required... we can train you! We just need some more help!!! Contact Lori if you are willing to try something new....

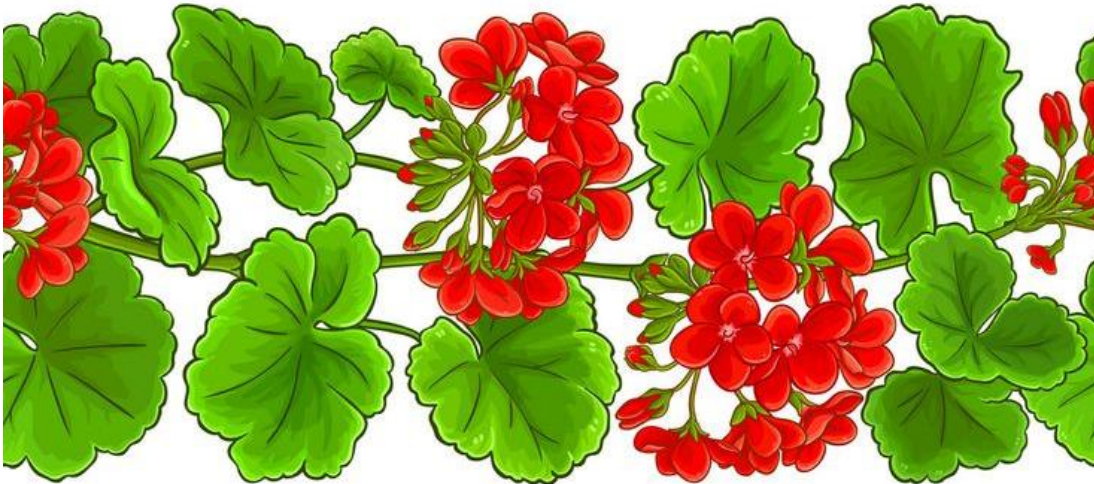
## Geranium Order

I would like to order geraniums at \$3.25 each to be placed in the Sanctuary on Pentecost Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup>. I understand that this is a donation to the Church and the geraniums will be planted throughout the Church yard. Put cash or check payable to Darlene Smith with order blank in the geranium envelope located on the bulletin board or mail to Darlene, 5298 Crabapple Dr., Apt 316, Erie, PA. Deadline for ordering is May 16<sup>th</sup>. Any questions call or text Darlene at 814-882-4141. Thank you.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Geraniums \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$3.25 each. Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_



### ***"The Lives We Actually Have, 100 Blessings For Imperfect Days"***

a book by authors Kate Bowler and Jessica Richie who also wrote the book *"Good Enough"* will be the subject of a book study coming up this May and June. This is a follow up to Pastor Tom's recent sermon series. There will be two sessions to choose from, a Wednesday evening session at 7 PM which will run from May 17<sup>th</sup> to June 28<sup>th</sup> and a Thursday afternoon session which will be held at 1 PM running from May 18<sup>th</sup> to June 29<sup>th</sup>. Each session will take a break for Annual Conference so there will be no meeting June 14<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup>. A sign-up sheet will be in the Cafe for anyone interested and if you would like more information please contact either Connie Hoeke or Lynda Lagan.

**Hygiene Kits** Summit Church will be collecting items and assembling Hygiene Kits which are one hand towel, one washcloth, one comb, one toenail or fingernail clipper, bath-size soap, one adult toothbrush, 10 adhesive bandages, all in a one one-gallon size re-sealable bag. Specific sizes are listed on the take home list available in the welcome center or can be sent to you by contacting the church office. These will be donated to the Mission Barn for distribution to those in need. For questions contact Jen Cornwell

**LAST CALL...we still need a few more orders to be able to have these shirts made.....Summit Church Shirts!** We have heard that some may have missed out on the recent shirt order for our new red church t-shirts...if you would like to order one please let the church office know...we can reorder if we get a minimum of 25 shirts....they are really nice and are a great way to show your support for Summit Church whenever you may be serving others or will be especially great for Pentecost...remember to wear your red.



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**Available in...**

Short sleeved t-shirts	\$15
Long sleeved t-shirts	\$20
Crew neck sweatshirts	\$25
Hooded pullover sweatshirts	\$30

XXL sizes add \$2 for t-shirts

XXL sizes add \$3 for sweatshirts

**Greeters...we are in need of greeters for our Sunday morning worship services!** It is important to greet each other and especially our visitors and guests. If you would like to be a greeter please contact Pastor Tom or the church office. We also need someone to coordinate the greeters for the church.



The **2023 Annual Women's Spiritual Retreat** will be from Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM through Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at 10 AM. It will be held at Olmsted Manor with meals included. The theme this year is "*Jesus and Women: from the 1st Century to Today*". The cost will be \$145 and registration will close on Tuesday May 30<sup>th</sup>. Please register and pay your deposit of \$45 by then so that we can give them an accurate number of rooms and total participants. You can pay your deposit on the church app or by check payable to Summit UMC. You can drop off or mail your check to the Church Office or place it in the offering plate. Bed linens and towels are provided and reservations are for 2 to a room. If you want a private room, the total cost will be \$15 more. I am looking forward to this retreat and hope you will too. See you there! Questions, contact Pastor Connie at 412-400-6898.

Vacation Bible School **Boomerang Express** is coming up June 25<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>

We will be needing lots of help for this fun event...so if you are thinking of volunteering...let Linda Stempka or Jen Cornwell know. You might need to have your state clearances.....see the article on page 1. It's easy to do and Lori can help you.