

Merry Christmas



Our theme this year is  
**"Love God,  
Love Each Other"**

### Memory verses:

Matthew 22:36-39

1 Corinthians 13:1-8

1 Corinthians 13:14

1 John 4:19

1 Timothy 1:5

1 John 4:7-12

Colossians 3:12-14

1 John 3:11

Psalms 86:18

Joshua 22:5

John 15:12-14

**School Verse** "All Scripture is God breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."

2 Timothy 3:16-17

### Mission Statement:

The mission of Helderberg Christian School is to provide a program of academic excellence integrated with a view of the world from a Christian perspective. The school shall serve as an extension of the Christian home, established to train each student in the knowledge of God and the Christian way of life based upon the Bible.

## December 2019 Newsletter



### Sky Zone Field Trip

Every year right before Thanksgiving break HCS takes the 5th-12th graders on a field trip. This year the destination was Sky Zone in Clifton Park. This particular Sky Zone had a "Ninja Warrior" course which no one from our school mastered, but many had a blast trying out. Then they went to the buffet at Pizza Hut.



### Learning about Thanksgiving

Also on the last day before Thanksgiving the younger grades do something special to celebrate Thanksgiving. This year the students made applesauce with Mrs. Davis, cornbread with Mrs. Weinbender, and watched an informational cartoon about the first Thanksgiving.

### Chapel

On December 10th Donna Gardner joined us for our monthly chapel. She spoke about her desire to learn another language, and how that influenced her path in teaching and linguistics. Those in turn led her to Bible Translation which she has been doing for Wycliff for the past 15 + years. She has travelled as a consultant to places like Alaska and Canada and ended up in Russia around 1997. Health issues brought her home where she began working in the US with Native American tribes updating their 200 year old translations of the Bible. She has officially retired, but still has a passion for spreading the Word of God to those speaking other languages. She left us with an encouraging word to the students about allowing the Lord to lead them, following His lamp and guidance wherever they go. She also encouraged them to be vigilant in checking anything they hear against the Word of God itself. Her final note was to keep pressing into Him.



### Thanksgiving Food Drive

Many thanks are in order to those that donated to the Thanksgiving food drive. We ended with a total of 273 items which filled 69 baskets. This was a phenomenal blessing to those families who otherwise may not have had a Thanksgiving meal. Also there is much appreciation for the 20 HCS family members that pitched in to help build those baskets on the 22nd so they were ready to hand out on November 23rd.



### Upcoming Events

The Pizza fundraiser was moved potentially to January 24th. More details TBA.

In February we will be selling Krause's Chocolate for Easter.

In March is the Brooks BBQ on the 12th.

**BOX TOPS HAS CHANGED!!** Box tops now asks that you download their app and scan your receipt. In the app itself you will have to search for and select our school during the set up process of the app. We are STILL collecting Box Tops for Education if you find any physical box tops you can drop them off at the school. We are also participating with the Clynk program, collecting bottles and cans with a \$.05 deposit on them throughout the year. If you have a Price Chopper card, please sign up to support HCS by going to the Price Chopper website and registering your Price Chopper Card number with our School Code (24736) or simply send us your card # and we can register for you.





### Snow Fun

During our first snowfall of the season (not the 2 foot one, but the smaller one in November), the students took their artistic skills outside and made snow art. They painted snow in coffee filters, which dyed the filters and made beautiful butterflies. They also drew pictures in the snow and filled the lines in with paint. Happy snow art!



### Student Submissions

This year we have opened up the newsletter for students to have the opportunity to share in the newsletter. Please enjoy their submissions!



### Joke by Meghan Stark

What do you serve a math teacher for dessert?

Pi





## ***How can you help Helderberg Christian School?***

**Prayer Partner:** Someone who makes a commitment to regularly pray for the ministry of Helderberg Christian School. This is the most important part of what we need, without God's help through prayer we can do nothing.

**Ministry Partner:** Someone who makes a financial commitment to come alongside Helderberg Christian School with regular monthly donations.

**Faith Promise Partner:** A person, who, as the Lord blesses, commits to send a routine donation to Helderberg Christian School, above and beyond any current giving.

**Volunteer Partner:** A person who has a skill or ability or just a willingness to help HCS. Be it by cutting the grass, snow plowing the parking lot, being a driver on a field trip, assisting a teacher, or helping out in the office, we have a place for you.

**Special Project Volunteer:** Someone who is able to meet an occasional special need of the school. Perhaps it is hanging drywall, speaking in a chapel service, or updating and maintaining the school's website. If you would be willing to donate some time, we could use your help.

**Fundraising Partner:** A person who could take point on a fundraising event. Making calls to organize work crews for the overall running of the event.

**Promotion Partner:** A person who could help communicate to the community about events and promoting the school in general. Contacts to newspapers, area churches, radio stations.

## ***How can Helderberg Christian School partner with you?***

**Prayer (partner):** Please send us your prayer request and praises and we will pray for your requests in our daily opening and monthly chapel services.

**Service (partner):** Do you have a service project we can assist you or your ministry with? If we can, we would be happy to help and fulfill Christ's mission to reach a lost world for Him.

**Promotion (partner):** If you have an event happening at your church or ministry we would be happy to let others know.

**Here is a list of items we could use/need at HCS. If you would like to partner with us in the purchase or acquisition of one of these, please let us know.**

**Urgent Need: Toilet Paper**

**Art canvases**

Paper Products—Toilet paper, napkins, tissues, paper plates, plastic cutlery

New (or repaired) playground fence

Cricut Cartridges

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