

# CCAM TODAY APRIL 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2020

## PUBLICATIONS:

Sadly, we have not met as a congregation since March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Our new reality finds us staying away from our normal context, church family, and even our family and friends. I think many of us may find this new way of life to be difficult in separation from those we love.

But because we are such a close church family, we need to find ways of maintaining connections with those we love and care about. The use of Zoom and online church service is very uplifting, and we are thankful for this service and technology.

In another attempt to “keep us” together...we decided it might be cool to have a weekly church publication. This publication- **which needs a name**, will hopefully come out once a week-through email, and some will be printed and sent through the regular mail.

We hope that many from our church family may want to contribute. It doesn't need to be anything special- perhaps a poem, a recipe, a Bible verse that spoke to you, news about anything we might normally speak of in casual conversation when we are typically together.

Please submit your piece or newspaper name suggestion to Ann Meyers at [annmeyers2003@gmail.com](mailto:annmeyers2003@gmail.com), or Jack Keough at [jackkeough@rochester.rr.com](mailto:jackkeough@rochester.rr.com). All submissions received *before Wednesday afternoons* will be considered for that week's publication.

## THINGS I ' M MISSING

BY JACK KEOUGH

I miss the friendly smile that greets me at the entrance to the church lobby on a Sunday morning.

I miss the aroma of coffee as I hang my coat, and the wonderful treats and bake goods wonderfully displayed on the buffet.

I miss the buzz of conversations taking place- with laughter and genuine brightness.

I miss the smell of potluck permeating through church services on the second Sunday of the month.

## DID YOU KNOW?

When the chill of fall comes upon us again - we are happy to say the new heating system will be up and running! It is fully installed.

## VERSE FOR VICTORY:

Overwhelming victory is ours through Christ who loves us.  
*Romans 8:37*

## QUICK QUOTE:

“Whether you think you can or you think you can't, you're right.”  
Henry Ford

## QUARANTINE QUEST:

Write a “thank you” note/letter and send it through snail mail.

## RIDICULOUS RIDDLES:

Where can you find cities, towns, shops, and streets but no people?

*Find answer on other side*

## SONG SUGGESTIONS:

*Goodness of God*  
by Jenn Johnson

*Highs and Lows*  
By Hillsong Young & Free

## ACTIVITY:

One of the unusual circumstances that we're dealing with now, in addition to the virus, is gasoline is at very low prices. The good side of that is we can go for pleasure rides in the car and not feel guilty about it. This may have some benefits especially after being cooped up in our homes and neighborhoods for all these days. Consider putting five dollars of gas in your car, putting in your favorite tunes, and go for a ride. Try around sunset....and if you get to an interesting place - get out and take some deep breaths of fresh air. You may notice a difference.....

## MY NAME IS "I AM"

BY HELEN MALLICOAT

I was regretting the past and fearing the future  
Suddenly my Lord was speaking:  
"MY NAME IS I AM"  
He paused, I waited, He continued  
"When you live in the past with its mistakes and regrets,  
it is hard.  
I AM not there--my name is not I WAS."  
"When you live in the future with its problems and fears,  
it is hard.  
I AM not there--my name is not I WILL BE."  
"When you live in this moment, it is not hard--I AM  
HERE."  
"My name is-I AM."

## MY SUPERHERO

BY ARLENE SNYDER

The Lord is my superhero  
I talk with Him each day  
He takes my hand and walks with me  
Along the narrow way  
An artist at His very best  
As all of us can see  
The winter snow so pure and white  
It's all a mystery  
The birds that sing and build their nest  
And flowers bloom their very best  
The fragrance of a rose so sweet  
My hero gives me the nicest treats  
He puts a rainbow in the sky  
And paints a sunset when the day will die  
And when my days on earth are done  
My Superhero will say "it's time to come"  
As He gently takes my hand I'll be,  
Forevermore in eternity!  
With My Superhero the Lord

## PANDEMIC POSITIVES:

- ✓ Beautiful spring weather!
- ✓ 344 Unborn Babies were saved during The Worldwide Spring 40 Days For Life Campaign.
- ✓ Samaritan's Purse brings medical relief to Italy.
- ✓ Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) reached 100 years of relief, development and peace in the name of Christ.
- ✓ A man blessed a local restaurant with \$2,000 to pay it forward to the waitress and waiters who were suddenly out of work.
- ✓ In Detroit, a man used his savings to give nurses a free gas fill-up on their way to work at the hospital.
- ✓ An Arizona woman brought encouragement to her street when she asked her neighbors to take the time to draw hearts on the road. The street was filled!
- ✓ A South Dakota math teacher helps a student who was struggling with her Algebra homework, outside of her front door.
- ✓ A mystery mom leaves packed and free lunches for anyone in need in Maryland.
- ✓ Chinese company ships crates of masks to Italy covered in Italian poetry: We are "leaves of the same tree."
- ✓ 107-year-old Dutch woman beats the Coronavirus.
- ✓ 16-year-old pilot delivers medical supplies to rural hospitals.
- ✓ Northampton Street in Buffalo sings happy birthday to 100-year-old man.
- ✓ Family paints rainbow chalk on every brick of their house to cheer up their neighborhood.

## DO YOU KNOW?

1. The Seven Eleven Gas Station logo as all capital letters except one? Can you find it?
2. Dawn dish soap and hydrogen peroxide make great stain removers for laundry?

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RIDICULOUS RIDDLE – Answer: a map