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OUR NEWSLETTER:

Feel free to print copies off for yourselves, family, and friends. All previous newsletters can be found on CCAM's website at www.ccamchurch.org and our Facebook page.

Everyone is welcome to submit something that they wrote or wanted to share. Submissions can be emailed to Ann Meyers-annmeyers2003@gmail.com or Jack Keough-jackkeough@rochester.rr.com. Submissions received *before Tuesdays* will be considered for that week's publication.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO

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SAVE THE DATE!

CCAM ANNUAL RETREAT AT BEAVER CAMP LABOR DAY WEEKEND SEPTEMBER 4-7, 2020. To help us plan for the retreat, the Beaver Camp Committee (Jack, Pam, Ann, Cindy M., Cindy C., and Mark S.) would like to hear your input and concerns. Please feel free to share your thoughts about the 2020 retreat with any of the Beaver Camp Committee members.

THE GOOD CHURCH AND CEMETERY

BY JACK KEOUGH

The Good Cemetery is affiliated with our church and has been around for a long time. How long you ask?...for about 191 years! Coincidentally as I write this, I realize the first Mennonite Minister in our area was John Lapp, born on June 22, 1798 - exactly 222 years from the writing of this piece. The Good Church was built of stone in 1829 and was located on Greiner road, the current site of the Good Cemetery. The origins of our church were a result of Mennonites who were migrating from the Lancaster County area in Pennsylvania to Canada. The attraction to this area was fertile agricultural land and various groups decided to settle here. The Good Church finally ended as a meeting place in 1923. An interesting family outing might be to the Good Cemetery- many of the names on the various tombstones might be familiar. (hopefully, you won't see the name Keough there for a while).

VERSE FOR VICTORY:

“For the Lord is the Spirit, and wherever the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.”
2 Corinthians 3:17

SONG SUGGESTIONS:

- ♪ *Rest* by The Gray Havens
- ♪ *Sometimes By Step* by Shane & Shane

WE'RE BACK!!

Beginning Sunday, July 5th at 10 A.M., we will hold our worship services live outdoors (weather permitting), as well as via Zoom.

If you will be joining us in person, please bring your own lawn chair, facemask, and maintain a 6' distance from any non-household member. Please visit the Church website for a more detailed list of guidelines.

ALL THINGS BEAUTIFUL

BY CECIL ALEXANDER

SUBMITTED BY ANN MEYERS

All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all.
Each little flower that opens,
Each little bird that sings,
He made their glowing colors,
He made their tiny wings.

The purple-headed mountain,
The river running by,
The sunset, and the morning,
That brighten up the sky;
The cold wind in the winter,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden,
He made them every one.
The tall trees in the greenwood,
The meadows where we play,
The rushes by the water,
We gather every day;
He gave us eyes to see them,
And lips that we might tell
How great is God Almighty,
Who has made all things well.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHTS

BY HEIDI ALBRECHT

Kaitlyn James also has been a member of the CCAM youth group since seventh grade and is the daughter of Tom and Bonnie James. Kaitlyn was one of twenty Akron Central High School seniors who have earned Scholar-Athlete All Western New York selection by Section VI of the New York State Public High School Athletic Association. Although the COVID-19 pandemic and school closings prevented competition during the spring sport season, the Section and the NYSPHSAA agreed to recognize all senior athletes with an overall grade point average of 90 or above for seven semesters who are starters or important reserves on their respective athletic teams. Kaitlyn was named Scholar Athlete for cross country, swimming, and track. Well done, Kaitlyn! Kaitlyn was also selected for the Ned Brockway award for track and her name will be placed on a plaque on display at school. She was also the recipient of the Sportsmanship Award that is presented to one male and one female senior each year. She also served as Cross Country Team Captain and Girls Swimming Captain. Kaitlyn's other honors include serving as Donate Life Club president, Student Government secretary, Newstead Fire Co. Explorer, and Newstead Fire Co. Auxiliary. After an independent course study in accounting, Kaitlyn developed an interest in pursuing that same course of study in college. She has been accepted into the two-year accounting program at Alfred State and would eventually like to work as a forensic accountant with the FBI. Kaitlyn is currently employed by Christian Heritage and provides respite care to the parents of autistic children.

KAITLYN JAMES



PANDEMIC POSITIVES:

- ✓ CCAM can now gather outside the church building!
- ✓ Though the coronavirus cases go up the death rate has continued to go down.
- ✓ A senior home in Brazil created a 'hug tunnel' for visitors to embrace their loved ones.
- ✓ A 9-year-old and her friends have raised over \$100,000 for Black-owned businesses by selling their homemade bracelets.
- ✓ Engineers developed a way to convert harmful CO2 emissions into chemical building blocks for fuel.
- ✓ A furloughed worker turned her \$1,200 stimulus check into 1,200 lasagna meals for those in need.
- ✓ A 7-year-old reads books for kids who miss story time at school.
- ✓ Nigerian kids made a low budget trailer of the movie Extraction and were invited to the movie premier by Hollywood directors.
- ✓ An 86-year-old woman spent her stimulus check on building a front yard zoo to make people happy again.
- ✓ Studies have shown that fathers feel closer to their kids throughout the time of quarantine.
- ✓ Black women paid for a white officer's meal and left a heartwarming and encouraging note.
- ✓ A teen with special needs visited his mother's grave to tell her he graduated.
- ✓ A man in Connecticut was rescued by a police officer and his wife after nearly getting swept into a pipe by the tide.
- ✓ Two girls donated their handmade blankets to children in the hospital.
- ✓ A sewing squad delivered over 55,000 masks to people in need.
- ✓ Deputy Stone was gifted kindness when three young ladies paid for his meal.
- ✓ A 5-year-old raised money for an injured firefighter.