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Pastor's Surgery Tuesday July 5th at St. Joe Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Originally, I was trying to get the surgery scheduled for Tuesday the 21st of June, but my constant coughing did not allow for the final test they needed to take measurements for the valve.

I had the successful test last week and they were able to get the measurements.

This past Tuesday I had a meeting with the surgeon and all is a go for Tuesday the 5th of July.

As I understand it, I will be in the hospital two days, and be up and around after that and possibly be in attendance in church on the 10th.

So much progress has been made in health care, that this procedure is more like a heart catheterization or the placing of a stent.

I will have my work done on the bulletin and the sermon before surgery.

Just keep me in your prayers!

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Prayer Following the SCOTUS Ruling on Dobbs v. Jackson

Prayer:

Gracious Father, we solemnly thank and praise You for the judgment of the court this day in reversing decisions that have given open sanction to the destruction of human life. Curb wickedness in every heart and place. For the sake of Christ, spare us those punishments that we have deserved. Restore compassion and the desire for life among all, and lead Your Church to show Your love to the vulnerable, to the despised and to those whose hearts have turned cold. Your Son has taken up our fragile flesh to free us from the bonds of sin by His death. Draw every heart to Yourself, Holy Father, that believing in Christ Jesus, we would not perish but have everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

OUR ENDOWED RIGHTS FROM GOD

When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed — that whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. —The Declaration of Independence



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Mt. Hope Preschool News

We are still looking for 3- or 4-year-olds to join our amazing program come September.

Please call the office 313-565-9140 or Jackie Fults at 313-213-0912

We will be back in the Fall!



Birthdays

Jul/Aug/Sept

July

09 – Val Mason
10 – Robert Schellman
15 – Ruth Pollatz
17 – Katelyn Willim
18 – Melvin Kimbrough
21 – Lori Wilson
23 – Joan Hafkesbrink
25 – Pamela Benford
26 – Makayla Ladach
28 – Gary Mason

August

01 – Kim Armstrong
02 – Kathy King
04 – Gabrielle VanHamplere
06 – Sally Trout
09 – Louis Bigliardi
11 – Nicolas Corona
12 – Christine Thompson
21 – Lucy Stamp
21 – Timothy VanHamplere
23 – Carl Haney
24 – Mike VanHamplere
26 – Kelley Corona
30 – Marissa Cortez

September

05 – Mary Bigliardi
06 – David Hamilton
08 – Moran Stamp
10 – Gladys Hill
11 – Elsie Brophy
11 – Beverly Kero
14 – Nancy Dajos
15 – George Morton
17 – Mack Mayfield
17 – Marilyn Switter
24 – Karl Dasher
29 – Amy Hudson

Jul/Aug/Sept Anniversaries

July

07 – David & Marie Brown

August

12 – Frank & Laurie Pignanelli
21 – Paul & Ruth Pollatz
24 – Steve & Linda Hurst
26 – Gary & Valerie Mason
31 – Scott & Keri Driscoll

September

09 – Gary & Michelle Yowler

Quilting Group

By: Bev Kero & Ruth Pollatz

Quilting Days

Wednesday, July 6

Wednesday, July 20

Thursday, August 4

Thursday, August 18

Thursday, September 1

Thursday, September 15

Thursday, September 29

LAP ROBES

Please let Bev Kero or Ruth Pollatz know of anyone who may be ill or a shut-in, so we can give them a lap robe on behalf of the congregation.

FULL SIZED QUILTS

The quilters are preparing many quilts to take to the place in Pontiac—Focus Hope

BRING A FRIEND TO QUILT TO HELP US!!

Questions: Call Ruth at 734-306-8724 or
Bev at 313-330-3057.



SUMMARY OF WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS (2021-2022)

We accomplished much more this past year because we used different materials that allowed us to work through various books of the Bible at a faster, yet thorough, pace. As it turned out, there was much more discussion using these different studies than in the past.

We started out with the Old Testament Book of Ruth, which is a beautiful and heartwarming story of Love, Heartbreak, Loyalty and Devotion. As it turned out, Ruth is an ancestor of Jesus.

This was followed with a study on the Old Testament book of Esther, who became a Queen of Persia and, with the Divine help of God, was able to save the Jewish people from complete annihilation by evil people. Even though this is the only book of the Bible that makes no mention of God, Christians can see His Guiding Hand throughout the entire Book.

The remainder of our studies were from the New Testament, starting with Jude. This book has only One Chapter where Jude warns the believers of that time to beware of those church members who would abuse or misuse the Word of God. This is also true in our day and age.

This was followed by Philemon, a Letter written by Paul about a runaway slave named Onesimus owned by Philemon. Paul had hoped for reconciliation between Philemon and Onesimus as fellow Christian brothers.

This book also only has one Chapter.

This was followed by Paul's letters to Titus and Timothy who were leaders of the ministry in Crete and Ephesus, respectively. Paul was giving advice to both these young men on how to lead a church in an organized and Christian way.

We finished with the Three Epistles of John. In these Epistles, John was encouraging his fellow Christians to live in fellowship with one another and to beware of false teachings that could destroy that fellowship. Not surprisingly, his Letters encouraged his readers to Love one another as only Christians can.

If you have never read the entire Bible from beginning to end, one good way of accomplishing this Goal is through Group Bible Studies. You can probably learn more about the Bible by studying it with Fellow Christians.

A DRIVER'S PRAYER



O Lord, into my hands you have entrusted an instrument of great power. Give me the grace to drive it with care for the lives that are my responsibility, and with thoughtfulness for all who share the roads. If I am careless, make me watchful, if I am rushed, give me patience, and in all things give me self-control. Amen.

Official Acts

No Official Acts

Golf Outing

October 1, 2022

Another opportunity for one an all to invite their friends and neighbors to experience the thrill of Christian fellowship among the beautiful people of mount hope. Even if golfing is not your forte, come and enjoy the fellowship of the meal and the distribution of awards.

Our goal for the future is to concentrate on our youth and young adult evangelism. It is being planned to direct and earmark the golf outing proceeds to be used for directed youth and young adult evangelism, focusing on programs to encourage our youth to invite their friends, to partner up with other churches in the area in their youth evangelism programs. Give us your ideas!

This goal will help us in asking for products from those we do business with, for our awards.



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JUNETEENTH

Juneteenth is a holiday that commemorates the end of slavery in the United States. It recalls how the states of Louisiana and Texas heard the news that President Abraham Lincoln had signed the Emancipation Proclamation on January 12, 1863. Slavery continued in those two states for more than two years after the proclamation was signed because the word had yet to travel there. Texas and Louisiana finally got the good news on June 19, 1865. Former slaves broke out in spontaneous celebration.

Legend has it that the good word was spread by a black man who rode a mule from the East all the way to Texas. Historians credit Union General Gordon Granger, who arrived in Galveston, Texas, on June 19, 1865, with making the announcement. In any case, the announcement marked the end of slavery for the nation!

When we let freedom ring, when we let it ring from every village and every hamlet, from every city and every state, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God's children, Black men and White men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics will be able to join hands and sing the old Negro spiritual, "Free at last! Free at last! THANK GOD ALMIGHTY, WE ARE FREE AT LAST



Gleanings from the Tim and Beth Heiney newsletter

Dear Friends in Christ—

We've written a bit already about the struggles that we've been facing in recent months. Never before have we had a worker die during our years here, and yet this last year we saw two pass away. Never have we had even one church member declare they were leaving Christianity for a local religion. This year we saw that happen with 3 members. Never have we had to juggle medical struggles with all four of our children at once, but that was our reality recently.

Ministry-wise we've had class after class cancelled to where we were making almost no progress forward. These are classes for DMM training for the pastors in our town. As you know, the premise of DMM is that you disciple a small group of people. They then are to go out and find a small group (people of peace) that they can disciple. We call that the 2nd generation. Hopefully this keeps going and the Kingdom keeps growing.

Good news—recently we've started seeing just a little glimmer of that holy encouragement peeping through. Dave did finally start a class. We've been reporting that his class is made up of three "students", which we assumed were students from his school. Tim recently found out that no, these were 3 men from his area that he is training in DMM. They like the classes and guess what? They're on lesson 6!! Not only that, but Dave is talking about starting a second class for women.

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Pray that God's Holy Spirit works through the Word these students are hearing!

In other exciting news, Alan and Moses, both members of the local religion here, are coming to the last lessons in their first class. The other day they read about Jesus's death and resurrection. Their thoughts of the death: "Those Jewish leaders were really horrible to him!" And on the resurrection: Our religions teach the same things!" Baybe not exactly, but hopefully they are seeing the whole picture of salvation and why it was important for a) Jesus to be God and b) Jesus to die and defeat death. Tim said that later Alan said the prayer and prayed in Jesus's name!

From Tim and Beth Heiney

Please continue to daily remember our church members, our leaders, and all those in the Discovery Bible Studies. Pray that the Holy Spirit uses each planted seed to bring fruit that continues to reproduce and multiply...Disciples making disciples!!

All for Him!

Tim and Beth Heiney

FAMILY FUN DAY IS BEING PLANNED

- A Sunday in late August.
- Watch the bulletin for dates.
- Outdoor games, BBQ, beanbag toss, ETC.
- Kid's Games are also being planned.
- Fun For All Ages!!
- An Opportunity To Invite Those Neighbors And Friends!!

In 2 Chronicles 7:11-22, there is a promise given by God to the Israelites. God asks them to do three things before he would forgive their sins and heal their land. The first requirement was to humble themselves. The second was to pray and seek his face. The third requirement was one of the three choices below.

Check the correct answer on back of newsletter.

- A. ___ Sacrifice a young bull.
- B. ___ Turn from their wicked ways.
- C. ___ Choose a new leader.

I have been driven to my knees many times because there is no place else to go.
-Abraham Lincoln

THE GENEROUS SUNSHINE OF SUMMER



Sit in the generous sunshine of summer
A bright blue sky overhead.
Join millions of leaves.
Join grasses and trees
Soak up the warmth from heaven.

Pause in the generous sunshine of summer.
Look for a cool, clear brook.
Rest in the shade
That summer has made.
Rest and refresh the soul.

Bask in the generous sunshine of summer.
Indulge in its timelessness — the quiet unfolding of nature itself,
Abundantly giving,
Abundantly living.
Beauty transcends the earth, and leads to eternal worth!
—Peggy Ferrell



These Beautiful Plates were donated by Jean Haack, Cheryl Toms' Mother.

Please take some time to see them in the Parlor Room



Welcome to the Congregation



Rainbow of Mount Hope AMERICA'S POWERFUL DOCUMENT



One of the few remaining copies of the Declaration of Independence was put on display in Phoenix. A reporter for The Arizona Republic asked 11 citizens why the document was still relevant today. Here is a summary of their comments:

"It is like a Bible that has been in the family for generations."

"It is one of the world's most precious documents."

"It is a living breathing document with basic values underlying it."

"It began with some rabble-rousers who believed we should be free, that we should be able to choose our own destiny."

"The document is very much alive. It's organic. It is not archival material. It's real."

"I think the overwhelming message of the declaration is that it's okay to disagree with the government."

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Service Times

Sunday 9:30 am

Sunday Bible Study -

10:45 am

Reminders

Quilting: See Special dates as some dates are on Thursdays due to holidays/events at Mt. Hope

Council Meeting: The second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm

Elder's Meeting: The second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm

Newsletter Deadline for Oct/Nov/Dec is Sept. 20 at noon

Answer is B

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