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"In the heart of the community, with the community at heart."

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Patricia's Ponderings

As the cases of Covid-19 rise in Mid-Missouri, our hopes of returning to physical worship any time soon diminish. But that does not mean we cannot worship and enjoy fellowship together. As Jeff Moran writes on our Facebook post each week: "And remember: our church has never been 'closed.' We have just been meeting differently. We are always open and welcome you to join us for church on Zoom."

I am glad to see so many participate in our Zoom worship! By worshipping on Zoom, we are protecting one another as well as our community. This is what Christians do; we care about one another.

Another way to care is by wearing masks in public. In these days of conflict over mask wearing, it seems to me that if we want to follow Jesus' call to love our neighbor as our self, we have no choice but to act with kindness. Wearing a mask during a pandemic is basic human kindness.

Thankfully, some counties in the area are mandating masks. Still, there will be those who refuse to comply, thus creating more risk for the vulnerable and perpetuating the virus. If we want this to end, we must mask up! Sacrificing a little "personal freedom" for the sake of others is another word for kindness. In a recent article I wrote for *Spirituality & Practice*, I talked about mask wearing as an act of kindness. Donning a mask in public, then, becomes a form of spiritual etiquette. We greet our masked friends in the silent language of our invisible web: *I care about you and you care about me*. And with every breath we take



behind folds of soft cotton, the web trembles just a little more with health and hope and quivers of divine joy. We are not to know of the far-flung results of such a small gesture of kindness, but we live by faith that it makes a difference to the world — and to God."

Be safe and see you on
Zoom!

Blessings,
Rev. Patricia

Join the Zoom!

During the time of the covid-19 pandemic, church members and friends have been meeting each Sunday by Zoom to visit and worship. On Father's Day we shared memories of our fathers, including photos and wonderful stories of our dad's and their influence on our lives.

You can join the fun by sending a request to Rev. Patricia so she can add you to the list that receive the Zoom meeting email invitation each week. It is easy to click on the link within the invitation email, and poof! you join the meeting!

Or if you do not have email connection, one of the members can call you on your phone, and you can participate in the visiting and worship by speakerphone! We look forward to zooming to keep us connected and to find those silver linings that always exist with the grace of God.

Listen to and participate in the worship experience until the end of the session, about 11:30. If you have questions about any of this, call Jeff Moran at 573-642-9749 or email him at scimusic@tranquility.net.

Balances for Millersburg Christian Church accounts at Callaway Bank:



	<u>2/17/20</u>	<u>3/16/20</u>	<u>4/20/20</u>	<u>5/19/20</u>	<u>6/22/20</u>	<u>7/19/20</u>
Checking -	\$11,605	11,603	13,367	9,080	9,121	8,647
Savings -	\$3,494	3,495	3,496	3,497	3,499	3,500
Special -	\$3,590	4,004	4,079	1,260	1,335	2,270
PayPal	\$737	786	1,634	1,216	1,895	549
Flex Fund (account with Disciples of Christ Board of Church Extension)						4,889

In general, our church finances look fairly good despite not meeting physically during the corona virus pandemic. People have generally remained faithful to their financial commitments to the church, and we have received some donations. However, our checking and special accounts have decreased due to the cost of a couple of infrastructure improvements that were scheduled prior to the pandemic, and we still have some sewage system work needed to be done. We need to remain aware of our church financial situation and try to come up with creative ideas for fundraisers, as well as try to attract new people to our Zoom church services. Thanks! – Jeff Moran, Treasurer



*Sincere sympathy to the family of long time MCC member, **Hazel Pahl**, who passed away June 23. She is survived by her loving husband, Errol and 4 children – Randy, Cheryl, Cindy and Eric, plus several grandchildren. . Memorials may be made in her name to Millersburg Christian Church.

*Continued prayers for **Bill Hudson**, who is still undergoing tests.

*Continued prayers for **Freddie Copeland**

*Prayers for **Terry Russell**, brother of Rita Adams, who is ill.

*Prayers for **Lonnie Todd**, Vickie Roberts' brother-in-law, who is continuing his recovery

*Prayers for **Judy Nosek**, cousin of Marsha Loyd and friend of Brenda Rose, who is battling cancer.

*Prayers for **Jessie Vaughn**, mother of Vicki Fritz

*Prayers for **Kamden Nolte's dad, Daniel**, who has been suffering with a stroke, seizures and a bike wreck

*Prayers for **Dana Green**, daughter in law of Bob and Tammy, who had an emergency appendectomy.

*Prayers for **Larry Brown**, who in a 2-week period lost his youngest sister, Audrey; other sister, Jackie began chemotherapy and brother, Norman, was placed on liver transplant list.

***Margaret Blattner** received good news on her recent knee surgery follow-up!

*Prayers for **Jamie Hudson**, who is recovering from Covid-19!

*Prayers for the family of **Mabel Vaughan Fischer**, 101 who passed away July 5.

*Prayers for the family of **John Daniel "JD" Baumgartner**, 88, who passed away July 16

*Prayers for John Gulick's brother-in-law, **Don Puckett**, who is battling lymphoma

*Prayers for Joyce Schermerhorn's nephew who suffered a heart attack recently.

*Prayers for Jeff and Barbara Moran's nephew, Wes Meyer, who is working with Covid-19 patients on a daily basis.

*Sympathy to the family of Wanda Wickell, age 97, great aunt of Rita Adams, who passed away recently

*Prayers for **Jerry DiNunzio** who has been undergoing chemotherapy treatments, he also recently needed a pacemaker.

*Prayers for **Jerry Powles**, who is still waiting for his amputation to completely heal so he can start the process of getting a prosthetic.

*Congratulations to Mobility Worldwide whose new building is up and going!

Stan Adams, *Mokane to Mole City*, A Manchu Vietnam Memoir Updates:

When Stan, Rita and daughter Kim Force published Stan's memoir in January, 2019 they had no idea where it would take them. As in Rev. Patricia's A Blessing of the Book on February 3, 2019, she shared "When we tell our stories, we allow God to enter our story in a new way, transforming the past, making new pathways for healing and connection. May this book touch lives, offer new perspectives, reveal the horrors of war, make us wise, and help us move toward peace".

In early June, Rita was contacted on Facebook by Matthew Wilcox, Wilcox Multimedia LLC looking for Vietnam veteran Stan Adams. Matt is in the Army Reserves, working on his master's degree in World War II History. During the COVID slowdown, Matt submitted a couple of the WWII documentaries he had made and two of them won awards. The first is on YouTube.com **(Stand Down) World War II Short Film: "Four Guys, the Navy and World War II for Best Documentary Short.** Matt's high school shop teacher was Steve Knowlton, who served with the Manchu's with Bravo Co., his dates overlapping with Stan's. With the success of Matt's two WWII documentaries, this inspired him to begin a documentary of the Manchus, featuring his former teacher as one of the anchors of the piece. Through research, Matt learned of *Mokane to Mole City* and was eager to talk with Stan because of the many stories and men featured in his Manchu Vietnam memoir.

In late June, Matt came and spent 4 nights with Stan and Rita. He filmed Stan and fellow Manchu Alpha Co., David Hosenfelt as they told their stories of serving in Vietnam. This summer Matt will be filming other Manchus and a Gold Star Family to add their stories to the documentary. Updates will be posted along the way and if you think of a good name for the documentary, let Stan or Rita know!



Daniel Boone Regional Library Adults Blog: *Mokane to Mole City* E-Mail Interview

Last month Stan and Rita Adams were contacted by the Daniel Boone Regional Library's Adult Blog for an e-mail interview about the writing of *Mokane to Mole City*. This e-mail interview should be posted sometime in August. Both the Fulton and Columbia Library have copies available to checkout if you are interested. While perusing the Library's website they noticed that reviews can be left for the book so if you have an account with the library and have a few minutes they would appreciate your review. In addition, reviews can also be left on their daughter Kim Force's website www.Luckysnipe.com and on Amazon whether you bought the book there or not.



50 years ago, July 19, 1970, Dan and Brenda Rose said I Do! Matt and Meghan surprised them with a card shower to celebrate this event. They want to thank each and every one of you who remembered their 50th Anniversary in some way. Whether it was a card, a call, flowers, or Facebook note we have enjoyed the good wishes immensely. Our family and friends are the special part of our lives and we do not know how we are so lucky to have such wonderful folks like you in our lives. MCC and the Millersburg Community is an integral part of who we are and what we count as blessings. God Bless you.



These kids, Bernie and Vickie Roberts, celebrated their 40th anniversary July 26th, 2020! Congratulations!



And these youngsters celebrated their 44th anniversary July 23rd! Happy anniversary Rev's. Ron and Patricia Farmer!



This young lady will celebrate her 99th birthday, August 17! Make her day by remembering her with a card!
Her address is:

Esther Flaigle
3104 Bluff Creek Drive, Bluff Creek Terrace
Columbia, MO 65201





Don't forget to vote Tuesday, August 4th! Vicki Fritz, Janet Kennett, Sylvia Glenn and Janet Sexton are working hard to make sure you are safe while voting!

Congratulations to Gage and Ella Baker with their accomplishments this summer showing their cattle!



Ella showing her grand champion steer at the Callaway Youth Expo!



Ella at the Limousin Junior National Show



Gage with his Missouri teammates who took first in the fitting competition, a first for the state of Missouri



Gage at the Limousin Junior National Show



Congratulations to the 13UAAA Warhawks, playing up and taking 2nd in the 14UAA World Tournament! Miles Bethell is a member of the team and his dad, Lance, is one of the coaches!

August

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Ashley Hackmann	Brent Moran Hayden Long Hollis Long Aimee Landrum	DON'T FORGET TO VOTE! 	Adam & Michelle Hans		Linda Reed Brown	David Rose
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Justin Bright		Rodney & Janet Latty	Bill Bright Randy & Marsha Loyd		John McCray Brianna Force	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Esther Flaigle Frances Bittle Shayla Rose & Scott Gesternecker	J. H. Long Brock Simmons				
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Sherry Hoesch		Riley Simmons				
30	31					
Ava Bush	Madeline Hutchison					

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CANCELLED AT THIS TIME! OUR
EMAIL AND PHONE MESSAGES ARE
STILL BEING CHECKED REGULARLY!
JOIN US ON ZOOM!!**

**Morning Worship starts at 10:30 a.m.
1st Sunday Social is the first Sunday
of every month at 10:00 a.m.**

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regular business hours. Fridays and Saturdays
are her days off.

