Wednesday, July 8th - Coping with Covid - Morning

Laugh it off: Q. Are any Halloween monsters good at math? A. No—unless you Count Dracula! -- Q. Why is Cinderella so bad at soccer? A. Because she always runs away from the ball! -- Q. How do vampires start their letters? A. "Tomb it may concern...

God's Comfort: Prov 4:1-4 Listen, my sons, to a father's instruction; pay attention and gain understanding. 2 I give you sound learning, so do not forsake my teaching. 3 For I too was a son to my father, still tender, and cherished by my mother. 4 Then he taught me, and he said to me, "Take hold of my words with all your heart; keep my commands, and you will live. Psalm 16:1-4 1 Keep me safe, my God, for in you I take refuge. 2 I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; apart from you I have no good thing." 3 I say of the holy people who are in the land, "They are the noble ones in whom is all my delight." 4 Those who run after other gods will suffer more and more. I will not pour out libations of blood to such gods or take up their names

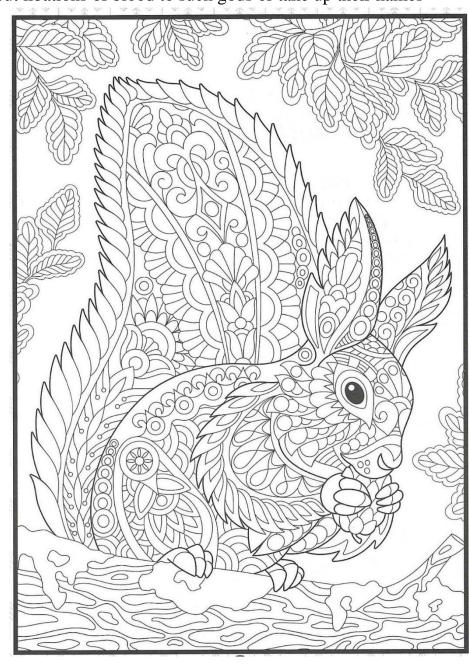
on my lips.

Pray Daily – God is easy to talk to:

"Lord Jesus Christ, thank you that you made all things, and in you all things hold together. Through your blood, you have brought reconciliation between mankind and God, and you have given us the same ministry of reconciliation. Remind me and show me that no relationship is beyond your healing power. Let me work for the peace and restoration of relationships that have become difficult. Do far more abundantly than I can ask or imagine in reconciling myself and my friends to You. I ask that you do this for their eternal future and to bring glory to your name. Amen.

National Day Today (July 8) Coca Cola Day, Math 2.0 Day, SCUD Day (Savor the Comic, Unplug the Drama).

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Wednesday, July 8th - Coping with Covid - Noon

Laugh it off: Q. What's a writing utensil's favorite place to go on vacation? A. Pencil-vania! -- Q. What has hundreds of ears but can't hear a thing? A. A cornfield! -- Q: Which fruit is a vampire's favorite? A: Neck-tarine!

God's Comfort: Matthew 21:23-27 23 Jesus entered the temple courts, and, while he was teaching, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him. "By what authority are you doing these things?" they asked. "And who gave you this authority?" 24 Jesus replied, "I will also ask you one question. If you answer me, I will tell you by what authority I am doing these things. 25 John's baptism—where did it come from? Was it from heaven, or of human origin?" They discussed it among themselves and said, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will ask, 'Then why didn't you believe him?' 26 But if we say, 'Of human origin'—we are afraid of the people, for they all hold that John was a prophet." 27 So they answered Jesus, "We don't know." Then he said, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

Historical Perspective (July 8): 1608 - Samuel de Champlain - First settlement - Quebec. 1795 - Kent County Free School name change - Washington College— First one named after George Washington. 1838 - Ferdinand von Zeppelin born. 1839 - John D. Rockefeller born. 1881 — First time chocolate syrup used in an ice cream dish - Edward Berner - druggist Two Rivers, WI. 1889 - Wall Street Journal published. 1907 - Florenz Ziegfeld - First "Follies" — NYC. 1931 - Roone Arledge born. 1949 - Wolfgang Puck born. 1951 - Anjelica Huston born. 1969 — Twister patented. 1981 - Solar Challenger - First solar-powered airplane - English Channel. 2000 - J.K. Rowling's "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" U.S. release. 1958 - Kevin Bacon born. 1958 - First gold record album - "Oklahoma!" soundtrack. 1961 - Toby Keith born.

Writing for Fun: Epithalamium - Poem written in honor of a bride and groom. Write one.

Sample Epithalamium: The day that Ingrid and Jon first met The angels in heaven placed their bets. Would it last they asked each other? They started out like sister and brother. Then one day in mid-afternoon, Behind her ear Ingrid planted a bloom. Jon glanced at her and drawled out, "Maaan!" You really are a gorgeous woman. He wasted no time and got on one knee, Looked at her like a puppy and asked, Marry Me? Your Epithalamium: Your Epithalamium:

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Wednesday, July 8th - Coping with Covid - Supper

Laugh it off: Q: How do you fix a damaged jack-o-lantern? A: You use a pumpkin patch! -- Q: Why is a cemetery a great place to write a story? A: Because there are so many plots there! -- Q: What did the mummy ghost say to the noisy young ghost who kept interrupting? A: "Spook when you're spooken to."

God's Comfort: Genesis 19:12-16 12 The two men said to Lot, "Do you have anyone else here - sons-in-law, sons or daughters, or anyone else in the city who belongs to you? Get them out of here, 13 because we are going to destroy this place. The outcry to the Lord against its people is so great that he has sent us to destroy it." 14 So Lot went out and spoke to his sons-in-

law, who were pledged to marry his daughters. He said, "Hurry and get out of this place, because the Lord is about to destroy the city!" But his sons-in-law thought he was joking. 15 With the coming of dawn, the angels urged Lot, saying, "Hurry! Take your wife and your two daughters who are here, or you will be swept away when the city is punished." 16 When he hesitated, the men grasped his hand and the hands of his wife and of his two daughters and led them safely out of the city, for the Lord was merciful to them.

Quotes/Other Wisdom:

"An aim in life is the only fortune worth finding." - Robert Louis Stevenson

"What do we live for, if not to make life less difficult for each other?" - George Eliot

"Life becomes harder for us when we live for others, but it also becomes richer and happier." - Albert Schweitzer

Game- Word Search.

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