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50 Year Member Celebration

Sunday, June 10th, will be an exciting day in the life of our church. During the worship service we will be honoring individuals who have been faithful members of HUMC for 50 years or more. Following the service the honorees and their family members are invited to be our guests at a covered dish dinner in the fellowship hall.

All others are asked to please bring a side dish or a dessert to serve, the meat will be furnished.

This will be an exciting day in our church family.

Havelock United Methodist MYF

Our Youth Group is off to a great start for 2007. We are small in number but mighty in spirit! To date, the Group hosted a Church "Lock Inn," for 32 youths in January. What a great way for peers to have fellowship in a safe and inviting atmosphere, The hallways of our grand Church were invigorated by the sights and sounds of 32 sets of feet scrambling in the un-ending game of hide and seek. In February the Group conducted a bake sale and served a dinner to the Alvo Methodist Congregation. Alvo had a successful heating/ cooling replacement fund raising, and treated their members to a sit down dinner which our girls served. In March the Group stepped up once more with a very successful "Pancake Feed". As of this writing, the entire Youth Group will provide for a "Sunrise Service" on Easter Sunday. The service will be contemporary in nature and should be fun and insightful. The Group has been actively pursuing the goal of fund raising for a Mission Trip to Louisiana. To date, the girls have raised over \$800. Praise Be to God! Thank you so much to everyone who made this possible! The Youth is giving back to our Church in that they are volunteering once a month to clean. It is amazing how much can be cleaned by eight people when, everyone works together. We actually have digital photos of the girls cleaning bathrooms! 2007 will be a very successful year for the Youth Group. In addition to Youth Group, Pastor will have two or three of our girl's involved with Confirmation Classes. What exciting times we all have to look forward to.

Prayerfully Yours, HUMC MYF

Open House

Bob and Karen Lamb invite friends and members of Havelock UMC to an open house reception for their daughter Jamie, Saturday, May 5th, 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

Jamie will receive a Bachelor of Science in Psychology degree with a minor emphasis in music from the University of Nebraska at Kearney, Friday, May 4th.

Jamie has accepted a position with Richard Young Hospital in Kearney as a Recovery Specialist.

Flowers

The following dates are still open on the flower calendar: May 13, 27, July 29, August 19, September 2, 9, 16, 30 and October 21 and 28.

This is a nice way to honor a loved one, someone's birthday or anniversary, or in remembrance of someone who is deceased.

Baptisms

Congratulations to Ryan Adam and Nicholas Ian Vanek who were baptized on Sunday, April 15th.

Ryan and Nicholas are the sons of Mark and Diane Vanek and the grandsons of Dale and Doris Schulenberg.

With Sympathy

The congregation extends its Christian love and sincere sympathy to the family of Andy Anderson.

Andy passed away on April 2nd. His memorial service was held on April 9th in the sanctuary.

Welcome

We are privileged to have received Nathan and Jamie DeJong, 2843 N 65th, 325-9834 into the life of the church on Sunday, April 15th.



Diaper Depot Update

During the month of March we served 38 clients. We were able to put a supply of diapers at Lincoln Action Program for them to dispense to those in need.

Carol Peterson
Coordinator



United Methodist Women

Executive Committee Meeting

The United Methodist Women's Executive Committee will meet on Monday, May 14th, 7:00 p.m. in the church library. All officers and circle leaders are urged to attend.

Quilt Show

A Quilt Show "Stitches in Springtime III" will be held on Saturday, May 5th, 10 am - 4 pm, Palmyra United Methodist Church, 535 C St., Palmyra, NE. A lecture at 1:00 p.m. by Sandy Anderson of Lincoln "Adventures of Sun Bonnet Sue". The quilts will be antique to contemporary, County and State Fair quilts, special exhibit - Sun Bonnet Sue. There will be a silent auction and refreshments will be served. Admission is 15.00. EXHIBITORS WELCOME! For more information call Gloria, (402) 780-5773; Wilma, (402) 780-5884; or Mary, (402) 780-6614. This is a fundraiser for the Palmyra UMC Building Fund.

Circles to Meet

ETHER Sat., May 19th, 8:30 a.m.
Steamers
6220 Havelock Ave.

LYDIA Wed., May 23rd
Lunch Out
Time & location to be announced

RUTH Tues., May 22nd
Night out
Time & location to be announced

PRISCILLA Thur., May 24th, 8:30 a.m.
Breakfast
Location to be announced

FOODNET - Food for Thought

Our church continues to provide a valuable service to families in northeast Lincoln as a Foodnet site. Without this location, many families would have to drive a distance to another site. With gas prices the way they are, that's an additional strain on an already tight budget.

Please consider being a volunteer at Foodnet. Drivers (preferably with trucks) are needed during the day, Monday through Friday (specific days vary) to pick up food around Lincoln. Helping hands are also needed on Mondays and Tuesdays to sort and bag the food for distribution on Tuesday afternoons. Smiling faces and joyful servers are welcome to hand out food on Tuesday afternoons, beginning about 4:00 p.m. Please contact LaVonne a. 43b-7494 to volunteer.

Thank you very much to everyone who already serves as part of this important mission. We appreciate the time and energy you give to help our community.

God bless you!!

Spring Has Sprung In Esther's Closet

Because of your generosity, Esther's Closet still continues to provide gently-used clothing to men, women, and children as part of Foodnet. We recently removed the heavy sweaters and other winter clothing items and replaced them with the lightweight clothes of spring and summer. Already our families have been blessed t-shirts, slacks, jeans, and other spring, items.

We continue to re-stock our clothing so and still need clothing for young specifically. Items we accept include gently-used, freshly washed clothing items for men, women, and children. If you or someone you know has a garage sale and have clothing items remaining at the end of the sale, please consider donating them to Esther's Closet. Receipts are available to record your donations for tax purposes.

-LaVonne Rosenthal

Paint-A-Thon

NEED YOUR HOUSE PAINTED? AT NO COST!

You could have year home painted at absolutely no cost, by volunteers (rots area businesses, congregations and service clubs. If you are 60 or over, or are permanently disabled and meet financial guidelines, you could qualify,

Pick up an application at any U. S. Bank or for information call The Lincoln Action program at 471-4515.

Application Deadline is June 1, 2007



Ushers for May

Ross Farley

Ray McDiffett

Ron Pape

Fred Zabel



A Healing Circle

Early this week I was sitting on a bench at Havelock Park reading and reflecting on next Sunday's sermon. I noticed that the park was filled with young people, middle school and high-school age. They were just hanging out. One beautiful young woman, about 14 yrs old, came up to me and ask for a cigarette. I told her I didn't smoke and didn't have any cigarettes. She walked away disappointed.

I thought about Peter and John who were on the way to the temple where a lame beggar asked them for some money. Peter told him "Silver and gold I don't have but what I do have I give you. In the name of Jesus of Nazareth, rise up and walk."

I thought about what I had to give this young woman, about what we as a church could give her. We live in a community where kids are just hanging out, easy prey for predators, drug dealers and worse. Often parents are unconcerned or unavailable to these kids because of drug and alcohol abuse or just having to work all she time to gel by. Many of these kids will, if they are not already, fall into the same cycle of addiction that their parents are in. How can we help? How can we reach out? How cam we give them what we have?

Tuesday evening the Administrative Council called an open meeting to hear a proposal from an organization called "The Healing Circle". Bernard Jones and Senator Damelle Nantkes offered a proposal to partner with the Havelock United Methodist Church in providing treatment for women who wish to recover from addiction and provide for their children. These would be women who have been abandoned by their significant others and who are at risk of having or who have already have their children placed in foster care.

The proposal was to create a residential treatment facility in the unused part of our building and staff it twenty-four hours a day, seven days per week with counseling staff. The healing circle would fund all repairs to the building necessary to create this program. The church would not incur any expense. Only the women being treated would reside in the building for the period of their treatment. Also, a day care program was proposed for children in our community. This day care program for young children would be available to these women when they transition out of the treatment program and are reunited with their children. The day-care program would be open to others in our community as well. The children would only be in day-care during daytime Monday - Friday. What of older children in our community? The healing circle would be offering activities for them as well. Some of them are at our church, others elsewhere.

Many good questions were asked at the meeting. "Would this interfere with regular church activities like Foodnet, funeral luncheons, church dinners, etc."? The answer was no. If the Healing Circle wanted to use any part of the building other than the unused part, they would have to schedule that usage realizing that church functions have priority. "Would these women be bringing drugs or alcohol on our property?" The response was that these women want treatment and are in recovery. They would choose to be in treatment not forced to be. They would be free to leave at anytime? They are not in jail. It would be more likely to find drugs in the park. The program would require compete abstinence from drugs and alcohol. "Would this be like a domestic abuse shelter where we might have men coming and causing trouble?" This would not. These women would have been long abandoned by their partners. There are other facilities available in the city for women who suffer from domestic abuse.

The Administrative Council voted unanimously to consider this proposal if the details could be worked out to the satisfaction of the church and the annual conference. What this means is that the Administrative Council voted to take the next step in several that would be necessary for the proposal to be adopted.

The next step is to begin conversations with the District Building Committee to ensure and protect the church against any financial liability incurred by the Healing Circle. Subsequent meetings with our Board of Trustees and Administrative Council would have to be held to work out all details of how the program would co-exist with the church. Finally, there would be a special Charge Conference held at the church to approve the final agreement

If this were to be approved, how soon would The Healing Circle be in operation? Considering all the remodeling and fundraising that the Healing Circle would have to do, the soonest would not be until sometime next year.

I am asking that each of you pray for God's guidance in this matter. We have been presented with a significant opportunity to reach out in an effective way to our community - A chance to give what we have in the name of Jesus.

Blessings, Pastor Chuck

Let's Go Camping!



There are so many great opportunities for our children and youth to attend a United Methodist summer camp this year. Brochures are available from Gloria Coil on Sunday morning.

Camp Fontanelle (near Nickerson, Nebraska) offer different camps for preschoolers up to first grades (with an adult). One is called BLAST (Big Long Active Sleepover Time), May 29-31 or July 6-8. Cost for this camp is \$199. This is just one example of the many camps.

Our United Methodist Women's has set aside scholarship for families and their children who would like to attend camp. In addition, the conference can assist in paying camp fees. Most families can expect to pay just one-third of the camp's cost by utilizing scholarship funds. Children that receive UMW scholarship money will be asked to do a bit of service work around the church in exchange for the funds.

Please prayerfully consider allowing your child to experience summer camp. It's a wonderful chance for them to grow in their faith in a safe, fun environment. For more information, please call LaVonne at 438-7404. Or you can check the camping website at www.umcneb.org and select "Outdoor Ministries". Remember to pack your sunscreen!!!

Confirmation May 20th

Currently there are five students preparing for confirmation, three from Havelock United Methodist Church and two from the Eagle United Methodist Church. Classes are held on Sunday evenings at 6:30 pm in the Youth Room at the Havelock Church. Cokesbury Claim the Name confirmation resource material is being used. Classes are led by Pastor Chuck with Karen Lamb and other parents assisting.

John Wesley Speaks to Havelock UMC and Eagle UMC

To assist students with confirmation and also to help the entire congregation reaffirms their baptismal and conformational commitment, John Wesley himself will preach at the Havelock and Eagle United Methodist Churches on April 29th and May 20th. Actually, Pastor Chuck will be reframing two of John Wesley's most famous and definitive sermons on those dates: Catholic Spirit (April 29th) and the Scripture Way of Salvation (May 20th).

Also, beginning on May 27th (Pentecost Sunday) Pastor Chuck will begin a sermon series on the book of Acts called Being a 1st Century Church in the 21st Century. The series will last throughout the summer ending on September 2nd.

Sermon Schedule (Though May 20th)

April 29th	Catholic Spirit: John Wesley Speaks Today	Pastor Chuck
May 6th	Keys and Devine Intervention	Bob Lamb
May 13th	Your Mamma Doesn't Live Here Anymore (Mother's Day)	Pastor Chuck
May 20th	The Scripture Way of Salvation: John Wesley Speaks Today	Pastor Chuck

May 2007

1	8:00 - 8:00 General Election	16	7:00 Youth Choir
	10:00 Prayer Meeting	17	1:00 AARP
2	4:30 Foodnet	18	6:30 Narcotics Anonymous
	6:00 Chancel Choir	19	8:30 Esther Circle
	7:00 Youth Choir		10:00 Seven Day Baptist
3			6:30 NA Meeting and Dance
4	6:30 Narcotics Anonymous	20	8:00 Trustees
5	10:00 Seven Day Baptist		9:00 Fellowship Coffee
	2:00 - 5:00 Open House Jamie Lamb		9:30 Morning Worship
6	9:00 Fellowship Coffee		10:45 Sunday School
	9:30 Morning Worship		12:30 - 3:00 Wedding Shower
	10:45 Sunday School		5:00 - 6:30 Junior/Senior High Youth
	12:30 - 4:00 N/A Area Service Committee	21	9:00 Deadline for News
	4:00 - 5:30 Junior/Senior High Youth		7:00 AA
	6:30 Confirmation	22	10:00 Prayer Meeting
7	7:00 AA		4:30 Foodnet
8	10:00 Prayer Meeting		Ruth Circle
	4:30 Foodnet	23	Lydia Circle
9	6:00 Chancel Choir	24	8:30 Priscilla Circle
	7:00 Youth Choir	25	9:00 Hav-0-Gram Issued
10	7:00 Nurture		6:30 Narcotics Anonymous
11	6:30 Narcotics Anonymous	26	10:00 Seven Day Baptist
12	10:00 Seven Day Baptist		2:00 Wedding Brooke Brown - Josh Cornwell
13	9:00 Fellowship Coffee	27	9:00 Fellowship Coffee
	9:30 Morning Worship		9:30 Morning Worship
	10:45 Sunday School	28	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
	5:00 - 6:30 Junior/Senior High Youth		7:00 AA
	6:30 Confirmation	29	10:00 Prayer Meeting
14	4:00 - 6:00 Private Dinner	30	
	7:00 AA	31	
	7:00 UMW Executive Committee		
15	10:00 Prayer Meeting		
	4:30 Foodnet		



Financial Report April 22, 2007

Operating Budget Needs Year to Date for 2007	\$ 30,528
Receipts for Operating Budget Year to Date	<u>29,704</u>
Shortfall	\$ 528
Apportionments needed:	\$ 6,352
Received	<u>2,817</u>
Shortfall:	\$ 3,535

Thanks



Dear Friends,

Thank you very much for the lovely luncheon that was served after Andy's memorial service. It was really appreciated.

Thanks to all for the many cards and memorial gifts and also to Pastor Chuck for the beautiful service.

I was so glad that the community of HUMC is my church home.

Sincerely,

Lois Anderson and all of
Andy's family



Special Music

If you would like to sing for Sunday, June 10th worship service "special choir piece", please join the Chancel Choir in rehearsing, Wednesday, May 9th, from 6 to 7 pm in the choir room.



I would like to thank Joan Kunkee and Irma Woudenberg for bringing me communion on Good Friday.

Arleen Colgrove



Thank you so much for all those furnishing salads, desserts, setting up tables and those who helped in any way for Andy Anderson's funeral luncheon after the manorial service on Monday, April 9th. It was appreciated.

Funeral Luncheon
Committee



A special thanks to Pastor Chuck for his calls and to everyone here at Havelock United Methodist Church for your prayers, concerns, and cards while I was sick this winter. This was very comforting for both Larry and I.

Thank you Chancel Choir singers, for all the effort and time shared in preparing the festival concert and special Easter music. It is greatly appreciated!

Sharon Strasil



**The church office will be closed
on Monday, May 28th in
observance of Memorial Day.**

