

# HAVE-O-GRAM

Havelock United Methodist Church  
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## Holy Week

On March 29 and April 5, the names of homebound members will be displayed in the Narthex. Visitation of these members may be done anytime before Easter. Instructions for visits will be included.

April 5, Palm Sunday will be celebrated with the youth bringing in the palms. Special music, communion and Pastor Chuck's message of "Healing through Forgiveness" will begin the observance of Holy Week. A Potluck Dinner will be held following the morning worship service.

April 9, the last Lenten Bible Study of the series will meet in the Friendship Parlor at 5:45 pm.

April 10, Good Friday, Prayer Vigil will be observed in the Chapel from 8:00 am to 10:00 pm. Sign-up sheet for times will be available in the Narthex. The Good Friday worship will be a Service of Healing held in the sanctuary at 7:00 pm.

April 12, Easter Sunday will begin with a worship service conducted by the youth at 7:30 am in the sanctuary. Coffee and rolls will be available in Friendship Parlor after the service.

The 9:30 am Easter Service will begin with the Flowering of the Cross. Pastor Chuck's message of "Healing and Recovery through Resurrection" will be enhanced with special music, lilies, and flowers. We celebrate our faith and the promise of the resurrection, in the joy that leads to life eternal.

Come and share in the Easter experience.

## Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday, April 5th, Education and Nurture will be sponsoring a potluck dinner after worship in Fellowship Hall. There will be an Easter Egg Hut.

## Easter Lilies

We invite you to help decorate our church with lilies on Easter Sunday, April 12th, in memory of or in honor of a loved one. Cost \$9.00 order forms will be included in the church bulletins. You may also make your purchase by calling the church office, 466-6736, no later than March 30th.

Lilies may be taken home following the Easter service.

The church office will be closed on Monday, April 13.



## Flowers

The following dates are still open on the flower calendar: August 2, September 6, 20, October 11 and 25.

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

## Palm Sunday Choir Festival

You are invited to the Palm Sunday Choir Festival. This will be at 4 pm, Sunday, April 5th, at First United Methodist Church. Several area churches, including Havelock's Praise Choir, will sing songs of the Lenten Season. Refreshments will be served afterwards. Hope to see you there!

## Welcome

We are privileged to have received Richard Carney Sr. and Tina Carney, 6737 Logan Ave. 465-5401 into the life of the church on Sunday, March 8th.

## Baptism

Congratulations to Richard Carney Sr., Tina Carney, Naomi Carney and Richard Carney Jr. who were baptized on Sunday March 8th.

## In Sympathy

The congregation extends its Christian love and sincere sympathy to the family of Florence Parker.

Florence passed away March 18. Her funeral service was held on March 23rd at Sheridan Lutheran Church.

## Ushers for April

Leonard Barnhill

Tony Burt

Joe Byler

Tracy Evans

## Women's Activities

### Circle Meetings

ESTHER Sat, April 18th, 9:00 am  
Breada Fresh Express Cafe  
4901 O Street

LYDIA Wed, April 22nd, 1:00 pm  
Friendship Parlor  
Program - Darlene Elliott  
Hostess - To Be Announced

RUTH Tues, April 28th, 7:30 pm  
7021 Seward  
Worship - Lola McConnell  
Program - Lola McConnell  
Hostess - Lola McConnell

PRISCILLA Thur, April 23rd  
Church Library - 9:30 am  
Program - Joan Kunkee  
Hostess - Nancy Ess

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### Bakeless Bake Sale

The Havelock United Methodist Women are sponsoring a "Bakeless Bake" sale in April. This means you can donate money instead of buying ingredients, mixing the batter, doing the baking and then delivering to the Bake Sale. Simply write a check to Havelock UMW and mark it "No-Bake Sale". The money will be used for missions.

### HUMW April General Meeting

The next General Meeting of the Havelock United Methodist Women will be held on Wednesday, April 8th at 7:00pm in Friendship Parlor. This meeting will be a dessert only, furnished by Esther Circle, hostess. Esther Circle will also provide clean up. The program will be presented by Esther Circle.

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### Spring Event

The Blue River District Spring Retreat will be held on Saturday, April 25th, 9:00 am at South Gate United Methodist Church, 3500 Pioneer. Beatty Brasch from the Center of People in Need will be giving the key note presentation. She has asked for donations of diapers from those in attendance. The In-Kind donations will go to Epworth Village. Bring any additional paper products for this worthy case.

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### Groundskeeper Needed

Do you get enjoyment from a beautiful green lawn? Do you believe in giving back to your community and church as a volunteer? If so we would like you to join our team of volunteers for groundskeeping - please contact Susan Martin at 890-3391.

The cost for attending the Spring Event is \$8.00 per person which will include a lunch from Lee's Chicken. Registration must be in by April 15th. Please call Doris Smith, 489-3281 to register.

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### HyVee Scrip

You can purchase: groceries, gas, flowers, medicine; anything you buy at HyVee can be purchased with a HyVee gift card. They can be used at any of the Lincoln area HyVee stores and Heartland Pantry. Havelock United Methodist receives 3% back on the sale of these gift cards. This 3% will be used for church related expenses or repairs. The gift cards are available in \$25, \$50 and \$100 amounts. If they are ordered and paid for on a Sunday, they will be available for pick-up the following Sunday.

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### It's Software Time Again!

Softball season begins Sunday, April 26th. Watch the Sunday bulletin for times and location so you can come out and support our team. Please contact Jennifer Grim or Nancy King if you would like more information.

Any questions contact Sandy Carlson, 464-0420.

We will be having a bake sale on Sunday, April 5th before and after church. Donations will be appreciated, as the registration fee is \$295.00.

Thanks for your support!

Thank you for your support and come out and cheer on your team!!

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### Movie Night in Fellowship Hall

Saturday, April 25th, 7:00 pm Havelock United Methodist Church will be hosting another MOVIE NIGHT. The movie will be Firehouse Dog. Kids, bring your blankets! Chairs will be available for those who are young at heart, but weak of knee! There will be popcorn, munchies and pop available. Please use the east door. Questions call Sandy Carlson - 466-0420 or 440-3543.

# PASTOR'S NOTE

## It's Time for Some Good News!

I've stopped listening to the news. I only tune in for the weather forecast. I'm tired of all the negative press about everything from the stock market to who was recently rejected on "American Idol".

I get a sense of how the two disciples on the road to Emmaus must have felt when their hopes and dreams were shattered at the crucifixion of Jesus (Luke 24:13-35). They were disappointed and could not imagine how things were going to get better in their world.

They were grieving, not only the loss of Jesus, but also the goodness and understanding he brought into their lives. They were in need of some good news.

I have listened to many people recently with the same defeated perspective on the world around them - but not everyone. Today I also listened to a long-time Christian and his wife as he told me of his struggle with cancer and how immediately upon receiving the news of his cancer Jesus was present to him in a profound and reassuring way.

I see the new faces on Sunday morning of people from our community who are coming out of a world full of negative messages and finding comfort and acceptance in the church.

While many organizations are closing their doors due to lack of support and funding, I praise God that God's people among us continue to sacrifice to meet the financial needs of the church, making it possible for us to continue to grow in Christ's love and to reach out to those in need - to clothe and feed the less fortunate and to offer the "good news".

The resurrected Jesus came to the disciples on the road to Emmaus with just the encouragement and hope they needed and they were ready for some good news. As difficult as times are right now, the truth is that when we are most discouraged we can also be the most ready to experience the presence of the risen Christ and hear the "good news". May this Easter be a time when you hear and experience something profoundly good and hopeful for a change. We can all use some good news.

## Financial Report March 22, 2009

Operating Budget Needs Year to Date for 2009	\$24,408
Receipts for Operating Budget Year to Date	<u>24,931</u>
Ahead:	\$523

## Bits and Pieces

Sunday Services are now being recorded and available on compact discs. Requests for these CDs can be made in the church office, 466-6736 if interested.

The Lenten Bible Study on Wednesday evening has had a weekly attendance of 20 to 25 members. The study on "Healing Wounded Relationships" has been led by Pastor Chuck.

The Sunday following Easter, April 19th, a special Blessing of the Animals service will be observed on "Creation Sunday". The worship service will be held outdoors in the courtyard at 9:30 am. Bring your special blessing.

April 26th will be United Methodist Women's Sunday. The worship service will feature the music of the McCellan Sisters. Come and enjoy their talents.

## Spring Tea

Come and join us for a fun filled afternoon.

Sunday, May 3, 2009 3-5 pm

Havelock Church, hosted by the UMW and the Nurture Committee

## Thank You

Diaper Depot would like to thank the Havelock United Methodist Women for their financial support with a gift of \$500. Your on going support has purchased many packages of diapers and the need just seems to be getting greater with the economic times the way they are.

It never ceases to amaze me what God can do when everything is put in His hands.

-Diaper Depot Coordinator

Carol Peterson

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A heartfelt thank you to everyone who called, sent a card, extended a hand or offered a hug to our family after the death of my mom, Eleanor Hamley. That is one of the things that makes Havelock United Methodist such a loving and caring church.

Thank You.

Ken and Sandy Carlson

& Family

Thanks to everyone for their calls, cards, food and especially their prayers while I have been ill and taking treatments. It has all been much appreciated.

-Jody Emery

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Thank you so much for your prayers, thoughts and cards to our family and to Pastor Chuck for his visit and prayers.

-The Jack Markwardt Family

It has been a whole year since William came home from the hospital on January 30, 2008. I prayed that God would let him live till summer, his favorite time of the year. God granted us so much more.

We want to thank our church family for your love and concerns by providing the delicious meals delivered to us and the many prayers for Williams progress.

We do serve an awesome God!

-William & Addie Mae Criswell

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I would like to thank everyone who contributed food items for the Soup Supper. To those who helped prepare the meal, serve and clean up, your help was appreciated.

-Leona Frerichs

## April 2009

1	5:45 - 7:00 Lenten Study 7:00 Youth Choir 7:00 Praise Choir	16	
2		17	6:30 Narcotics Anonymous
3	6:30 Narcotics Anonymous	18	9:00 Esther Circle 10:00 Seventh Day Baptist
4	9:00 - 12:00 Private Meeting 10:00 Seventh Day Baptist	19	9:00 Fellowship Coffee 9:30 Morning Worship - Blessing of Animals 10:45 Sunday School 6:00 Youth Fellowship
5	9:00 Fellowship Coffee 9:30 Morning Worship 10:45 Potluck Dinner 6:00 Youth Fellowship	20	9:00 Deadline for News 7:00 Alcoholics Anonymous
6	7:00 Alcoholics Anonymous 6:15 Meal in the Upper Room - Private	21	10:00 Prayer Meeting 5:00 FoodNet 7:00 Administrative Board
7	10:00 Prayer Meeting 8:00 - 8:00 City Primary	22	1:00 Lydia Circle 7:00 Youth Choir 7:00 Praise Choir
8	5:30 FoodNet 7:00 UMW General Meeting 7:00 Youth Choir 7:00 Praise Choir	23	9:30 Priscilla Circle
9	5:45 - 7:00 Lenten Study 7:00 Nurture	24	9:00 Hav-O-Gram Issued 5:00 Wedding Rehearsal 6:30 Narcotics Anonymous
10	8:00 - 10:00 Prayer Vigil 6:30 Narcotics Anonymous 7:00 Good Friday Service	25	9:00 - 12:00 Private Meeting 10:00 Seventh Day Baptist 3:00 Wedding Andrea Wall - Aaron Parson 7:00 Movie Night
11	10:00 Seventh Day Baptist 3:00 - 10:00 Private Dinner	26	8:00 Trustees 9:00 Fellowship Coffee 9:30 Morning Worship 10:45 Sunday School 6:00 Youth Fellowship
12	7:30 Youth service 9:00 Fellowship Coffee 9:30 Morning Worship 10:45 Sunday School	27	7:00 Alcoholics Anonymous
13	Church Office Closed 7:00 Alcoholics Anonymous	28	10:00 Prayer Meeting 5:00 FoodNet 7:30 Ruth Circle
14	10:00 Prayer Meeting 5:00 FoodNet	29	7:00 Youth Choir 7:00 Praise Choir
15	7:00 Youth Choir 7:00 Praise Choir		

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