

HAVE-O-GRAM

Havelock United Methodist Church
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466-6736
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Christmas Eve at Havelock

Mark your calendar and join in the hope, peace, love and joy of worship on Christmas Eve. A candlelight and communion service at 6 pm will celebrate the message of our Savior's birth that remains as faithful and true today as it has for years.

We will sing carols, share in a Christmas message and take communion as the Havelock United Methodist Church has done for nearly 120 years. Special music before the service and during worship with candles and poinsettias will brighten your Christmas Eve. Please join us.

Christmas Eve – 6 pm – Share the Joy

Spaghetti Feed

The youth are planning a spaghetti feed after worship on Sunday, January 3rd. All you can eat spaghetti, salad and dessert for \$5.00.

Women's Activities UMW Executive Committee

The United Methodist Women's Executive Committee will meet on Monday, January 11th, 7:00 pm in the church library.

Esther Circle

Sat., January 16th, 9:00 am
Braeda Fresh Express Cafe
4901 O Street

Ruth Circle

Tues., January 26th, 7:30 pm
5733 Kearney
Worship – Laura Pape
Program – Laura Pape
Hostess – Laura Pape

Priscilla Circle

Thur., January 28th, 10:00 am
Chapel
Worship – Carol Peterson
Program – Carol Peterson
Hostess – Nancy Ess

Lydia

Closed

The church office will be closed on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

Flowers

The 2010 Flower Calendar has been placed by the church office. If you would like to furnish flowers for the worship services next year, you may sign up on Sunday morning or call the church office, 466-6736.

Marriage

Congratulations to Travis Scheider and Sarah Haumont who were united in marriage on Saturday, December 12th.

Sympathy

The congregation extends its Christian love and sincere sympathy to the family of Betty Cole. Betty passed away on December 10th. Her funeral service was held on December 15th.

Mitten Update

This year we collected 26 hats, 11 ear warmers, 2 pair of socks, and 85 pair of mittens and gloves for children in the Head Start program. We wish to thank everyone who donated items to this program.



Poinsettias

Those who have purchased poinsettias may take them home after the Christmas Eve service. We will try to have covers available for them. Thank you for filling the sanctuary with color during the Advent season.

Ushers for January

Gary Frerichs

Leona Frerichs

Tony Martin

Susan Martin

PASTOR'S NOTE

Visioning 2010

The Havelock Community has drastically changed since many long-time members started attending the Havelock United Methodist Church. What once was a community of families supported by the railroad and Goodyear plant has morphed into a community with lower-cost starter homes and rental property. While the elderly make up a significant portion of our community, increasingly there are more young families in the community because housing is more affordable. Some of these families have significant need for support. How can we as a church respond to this need and be the "Good News" of the Gospel to them?

Well, we already have in many ways. The church has sponsored many events that are targeted for young families such as the Fourth of July Celebration, Halloween Event, family movies in the courtyard and fellowship hall. We are also aware that some of the families in our community are in distress. For many years we have offered quality food and clothing assistance in the community but in 2010 we are going to be able to take the next step. Havelock United Methodist Church in cooperation with Choices Treatment Center will be offering affordable professional counseling at the church for those in the church family and in the larger community as well. More details concerning this exciting ministry opportunity will be available after the first of the year.

This newest ministry outreach for the church is consistent with our mission which is "to provide a spiritual community of loving friends growing together in God's truth and reaching out to those in need. Our church continues to adapt and change as God continues to call us to reach out in love to the Havelock Community and embody the mission of the church and the commission of our Lord to bring the "Good News" to all people.

In the months to come please pray for those working in ministry, not only to families and individuals in our community but as we also intensify our efforts to reach out to children and young adults. As long as we stay focused on God's leading we will continue to receive God's blessing.

Pastor Chuck

Financial Report - December 8, 2009

Operating Budget Needs Year to Date for 2009	\$99,666
Receipts Year to Date	\$98,366
Behind:	\$1,300

The Havelock United Methodist Church has paid 100% of its 2009 Apportionment Obligation!!

What an accomplishment! During the worst economic period since the Great Depression, the Havelock Church has paid all of our apportionments. The church last met this goal 20 years ago! Thanks to you for your generosity and praise God for his blessing (Apportionments support the greater mission of the church in providing for District and Conference Ministries, World Wide Missions and retired clergy benefits.)

Thank You

Thanks to all who have participated and contributed in the many activities of Advent and Christmas. God's blessings to those who visited shut-ins, helped decorate the sanctuary, bought poinsettias, took part in worship, lit the candles, provided special music and all of the many things that make worship meaningful. Your thoughtful caring is a blessing that is greatly appreciated.

Dean Honnen

The Upper Room

The January-February issue of "The Upper Room" is now available by the food cart in the East Hall.

<http://www.upperroom.org/>

January 2010

1	6:30 – 8:30 Narcotics Anonymous	17	9:00 Fellowship Coffee 9:30 Morning Worship 10:45 Sunday School 4:00 – 6:00 Youth Fellowship
2	10:00 Seventh Day Baptist		
3	9:00 Fellowship Coffee 9:30 Morning Worship 10:45 Sunday School 11:00 Spaghetti Feed	18	Church Office Closed 7:00 Alcohol Anonymous
4	7:00 Alcohol Anonymous	19	10:00 Prayer Meeting 5:00 FoodNet
5	10:00 Prayer Meeting 5:00 FoodNet	20	7:00 Youth Choir 7:00 Praise Choir
6	7:00 Youth Choir 7:00 Praise Choir	21	
7		22	9:00 – 3:00 Home School 6:30 – 8:30 Narcotics Anonymous
8	6:30 – 8:30 Narcotics Anonymous	23	10:00 Seventh Day Baptist
9	9:00 – 12:00 Private Meeting 10:00 Seventh Day Baptist	24	9:00 Fellowship Coffee 9:30 Morning Worship 10:45 Sunday School 4:00 – 6:00 Youth Fellowship
10	9:00 Fellowship Coffee 9:30 Morning Worship 10:45 Sunday School 4:00 – 6:00 Youth Fellowship	25	9:00 Deadline for News 7:00 Alcohol Anonymous
11	7:00 Alcohol Anonymous 7:00 UMW Executive Committee	26	10:00 Prayer Meeting 5:00 FoodNet 7:00 Ruth Circle
12	10:00 Prayer Meeting 11:00 Memorial Committee 5:00 FoodNet	27	7:00 Youth Choir 7:00 Praise Choir
13	7:00 Youth Choir 7:00 Praise Choir	28	10:00 Priscilla Circle
14	7:00 Nurture	29	9:00 Hav-O-Gram Issued 9:00 – 3:00 Home School
15	9:00 – 1:00 Home School 6:30 – 8:30 Narcotics Anonymous	30	10:00 Seventh Day Baptist
16	9:00 Esther Circle 10:00 Seventh Day Baptist	31	9:00 Fellowship Coffee 9:30 Morning Worship 10:45 Sunday School 4:00 – 6:00 Youth Fellowship

Diaper Depot

Diaper Depot will be shutting down until continuing financing can be achieved. We need 4 or 5 people to do research on the internet for grant money. Do you have extra time to fill? This is God's work, do you feel him tugging at your heart strings? Please call Carol Peterson if you are interested, 785-7195.

