

# HAVE-O-GRAM

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Lincoln, Nebraska  
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The 2012 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, mornings or call the church office, 402-466-6736.



## 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 5:00 & 8:30 p.m. 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 121 years. Special music before the service and during worship with candles and poinsettias will brighten your Christmas Eve. Please join us.

Christmas Eve - 5 p.m. or 8:30 p.m. - Share the Joy



The congregation extends its Christian love and sincere sympathy to the family of Ellen Wheeler.

Ellen passed away November 24th. Her funeral service was held November 28th.

## CHRISTMAS DAY

Dinner will be served to those in need and those who are alone on this day. If you are interested in helping prepare the turkeys on Friday, December 23rd, call Sandy Carlson, 402-454-0420 or contact the church office, 402-466-6736. If you are available to share in the spirit of Christmas and would like to help serve the Christmas Dinner please contact Sandy or the church office. The church will be serving a traditional turkey dinner from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.



Congratulations to Creighton Gregory Frye who was baptized on Sunday, December 4th.

Creighton is the son of Casey and Stephanie Frye.

## UMW READING PROGRAM

Ladies, there are six new books from the Conference Library to check out. They are available until the end of January.

Also readers please check around & see if you might have a book titled "Just Wives?" from the Conference Library. I have the card but no book & nothing to let me know who

may have checked it out. Any help in locating it is appreciated.

Executive Committee members please find your reading list for 2012 books & review it if you haven't already so at our January meeting you'll be ready to make suggestions to me on which books to order. Thank you for your help & input.

Laura Pape



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

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED DECEMBER 23, 26, 27, 28 and 30.

THE JANUARY-FEBRUARY ISSUE OF THE UPPER ROOM IS NOW AVAILABLE BY THE FOOD CART IN THE EAST HALL.



# PASTOR'S NOTE

## BORN OF THE SPIRIT

*After dark one evening, a Jewish religious leader named Nicodemus, a Pharisee, came to speak to Jesus and said to him "Teacher, we all know that God has sent you to teach us. Your miraculous signs are proof enough that God is with you." Jesus replied, "I assure you, unless you are born again, you can never see the Kingdom of God." John 3:1-3*



When I was a child, the old year was often characterized as Father Time who was on his way out.

*Happy New Year*



The New Year was characterized as the New Year Baby who was on the way in.

These caricatures represent our hope for something better. More than ever folks are looking for a fresh start. How does our faith in Jesus Christ offer us such a new start?

Jesus told Nicodemus that to be part of God's Kingdom you must be born again and born of the Spirit. But what does that really mean? We are often as puzzled about this new birth as Nicodemus was.

During the month of January and into February we are going to take a deep look at what it means to be "born of the Spirit". This will be the theme of our worship and preaching on Sundays.

We will also begin a study entitled "**Born of the Spirit: Roadblocks to Peace and Wholeness**". The study will include both the teaching of Jesus and selections from the works of **John Bradshaw**, a bestselling author, theologian and counselor. Bradshaw's work speaks to how we are contaminated and wounded by this world starting at our birth and how these wounds keep us from finding wholeness and peace in our lives. The study begins on Monday, January 9<sup>th</sup>. If you have questions please call Pastor Chuck at 402-499-9848.

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

**December 11, 2011**

Operating Budget Needs Year to Date for 2010	\$103,200,772
Receipts Year to Date:	\$95,000
<b>Shortfall:</b>	<b>\$ 7,723</b>
Apportionments not included	



CIRCLE MEETINGS

ESTHER Sat., January 21st, 8:30 a.m. RUTH Tues., January 24th, 7:00 p.m.  
 Breda Cafe, 4901 "O" Street 419 Indian Road  
 Worship - Kathy Dukes  
 Program - Kathy Dukes  
 Hostess - Doris Smith

PRISCILLA Thur., January 26th, 10:00 a.m.  
 Chapel  
 Program - Carol Peterson  
 Hostess - Leona Frerichs

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The United Methodist Women's Executive Committee will meet on Monday, January 9th, 7:00 p.m. in the church library.

Thank you to Chuck for visiting me at the hospital.

NORTHEAST FOOD PANTRY

The most needed items at the Food Pantry are tuna and other canned meats, macaroni and cheese, cereal, canned fruits and vegetables, peanut butter, coffee, and fruit juices.

Also thanks to all for your prayers.

Items can be left in the food cart in the east hall by the office.

Twilla Pohlman



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| 1  | 9:00 Fellowship Coffee<br>9:30 Morning Worship                        | 17 | 5:00 Foodnet<br>7:00 Administrative Board                                   |
| 2  | CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED<br>7:00 AA                                       | 18 | 6:30 Youth Choir<br>7:00 - 8:30 Youth Fellowship                            |
| 3  | 5:00 Foodnet  | 19 |   |
| 4  | 6:30 Youth Choir<br>7:00 - 8:30 Youth Fellowship                      | 20 | 9:00 - 1:00 Registration for Home School<br>6:30 - 8:30 Narcotics Anonymous |
| 5  |   | 21 | 9:00 - 2:30 Quilts for Kids   |
| 6  | 6:30 - 8:30 Narcotics Anonymous                                       | 22 | 9:00 Fellowship Coffee<br>9:30 Morning Worship<br>10:45 Sunday School       |
| 7  |   | 23 | 9:00 Deadline for News<br>7:00 AA   |
| 8  | 9:00 Fellowship Coffee<br>9:30 Morning Worship<br>10:45 Sunday School | 24 | 5:00 Foodnet  |
| 9  | 7:00 AA   | 25 | 6:30 Youth Choir<br>7:00 - 8:30 Youth Fellowship                            |
| 10 | 5:00 Foodnet  | 26 |   |
| 11 | 6:30 Youth Choir<br>7:00 - 8:30 Youth Fellowship                      | 27 | 9:00 Hav-O-Gram Issued<br>6:30 - 8:30 Narcotics Anonymous                   |
| 12 |   | 28 |   |
| 13 | 6:30 - 8:30 Narcotics Anonymous                                       | 29 | 9:00 Fellowship Coffee<br>9:30 Morning Worship<br>10:45 Sunday School       |
| 14 |   | 30 | 7:00 AA   |
| 15 | 9:00 Fellowship Coffee<br>9:30 Morning Worship<br>10:45 Sunday School | 31 | 5:00 Foodnet  |
| 16 | CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED<br>7:00 AA                                       |    |   |



USHERS FOR JANUARY  
Jim Bryant  
Rosemary Bryant  
Gary Frerichs  
Leona Frerichs

