

HAVELOCK UMC NEWSLETTER

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CALENDAR FOR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

Sunday, December 1st, marks the beginning of the Advent Season. The four Sundays before Christmas, we will celebrate the faith, hope, peace and love that was given to us in the birth of the baby Jesus. If you would like to be part of the lighting of the Advent Candles please contact Tony Martin at 402-560-7962. You are invited to come and share in the celebration on Sunday mornings as well as other special services leading up Christmas Day.

Tuesday, December 24, there will be two worship services on Christmas Eve that will be held at 5:00 & 8:30 p.m. The birth of Jesus will be celebrated in a candlelight service with special music, carols, communion and many candles.

Plan to share a part of your Christmas Eve with our church family, worshipping and giving thanks for God's special gift, the birth to Joseph and Mary of a son that shall be called "Jesus". He shall save His people from their sins.

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 Monday, December 23rd, call Sandy Carlson, 402-464-0420 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 5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Come and share in the worship and activities of

this Advent Season. Enjoy the Peace of Christmas with your friends and neighbors here at Havelock United Methodist Church.

MITTEN TREE

The annual mitten, sock, and cap tree for children in the Head Start Program here in Lincoln, has already been placed in the narthex. Members and children of our church are asked to hang those items on the tree anytime until Sunday, December 1st.

Mittens, socks, and caps may either be for boys or girls and need to be in the 3-4 through 7-8 groups.

This project provides an excellent way for us to share with those in need.

ADVENT ENVELOPES

The Advent Offering envelope will be available in the Sunday bulletin. All proceeds from this offering will be used locally for those in need. \$100 will be given to the "Fund for the Least" this is controlled by the Pastor. The balance will be divided evenly between the Peoples City Mission and the Northeast Food Pantry. Prayerfully consider this offering and the help it will provide to those less fortunate.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Sunday, December 15th, the children's Christmas program will be presented during the worship service at 9:30 a.m.

Following the worship/Christmas program there will be a holiday Brunch/Potluck dinner in Fellowship Hall. Please bring your favorite holiday dish to share.

POINSETTIAS

Poinsettia orders will now be taken for decorating the sanctuary during Advent and Christmas. The cost is \$8.00 per plant. Buying a poinsettia is a way to honor the memory of a loved one or to honor someone special in your life. Order forms will be in the church bulletin or you may order through the office.

The flowers may be taken home after Christmas Eve worship services.

YOUTH NEWS

It has been a busy month for the youth of the church. They helped staff the kitchen during the craft fair on October 12th. The following week they volunteered at the City Mission for the Halloween party. That evening, pizza and a trip to Roca Scary Farm was enjoyed. On October 26th, they helped host our community Halloween Party at our church. They are currently having a fundraiser (see other article) and on November 17th went to Lancaster Rehabilitation Center to volunteer in the activities department.

HUMC is truly blessed to have such a great group of kids (and parents) that are willing to share their time and energy.

YOUTH FUNDRAISER

Our HUMC Youth Group is currently selling Baker's Candies, straight from Greenwood, NE. Baker's Chocolates make great gifts and Christmas packaging is available.

They are also selling Jet Splash car wash certificates. All services Jet Splash provides will be available for purchase, and can be used at any location in Lincoln. Jet Splash is a great Christmas idea, or just for everyday. Everyone can use a car wash!

The youth will be selling before and after church, or find one of the students and they can help you. Items will be available through Christmas. Thank you very much for your support!

LAMB'S OPEN HOUSE

The Lamb Family's annual Christmas open house will be Sunday, December 15th from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. The address is 4901 NW Fairway Drive. Please join us in celebrating the blessed Christmas season!

CARLSON'S OPEN HOUSE

Members and friends of the church are invited to the home of Ken and Sandy Carlson on Sunday, December 22nd. The Carlson's home, 4841 Sherwood Drive will be open from 4:00-9:00 p.m.

Please stop in and share in refreshments & fellowship.

The church office will be closed Thursday, November 28th and Friday, November 29rd.

UMW GENERAL MEETING

The last General Meeting for 2013 will be held Wednesday, December 4th, in Friendship Parlor. The meeting will be a dessert only at 6:30 p.m. The Christmas program will be presented by Ruth Circle. Members of Priscilla Circle will be hostesses and provide clean up.

All women of our church are invited and encouraged to attend.

CIRCLE MEETING

PRISCILLA Thur., December 5th, 8:30 a.m.
BREAKFAST
Cracker Barrel, 6900 N 27th

ESTHER Sat., December 7th, 11:30 a.m.
Northside Grill, 48th & St Paul

RUTH Wed., December 11th, 7:00 p.m.
Worship – Doris Schulenberg
Program – Doris Schulenberg
Hostess – Doris Schulenberg

DIAPER DEPOT

The first Sunday of each month we will be collecting diapers, wipes and Desitin ointment for Diaper Depot. The box will be placed in the narthex on Sunday, December 1st. Also, monetary donations will be accepted and put to use to support this worthwhile cause.

FELLOWSHIP COFFEE

Join us for coffee and refreshments before worship on Sunday mornings in Friendship Parlor.

DECEMBER

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| 1 | 9:00 | Fellowship Coffee |
| | 9:30 | Morning Worship |
| | 10:45 | Sunday school |
| | 4:00 | Junior/Senior High Youth |
| | 5:30 | Youth Choir |
| 2 | 7:00 | AA |
| 3 | 5:00 | Foodnet |
| 4 | 6:30 | UMW General Meeting |
| | 7:00 | Advent Study |
| 5 | 8:30 | Priscilla Circle |
| 6 | 6:30 | Wedding Rehearsal |
| | 6:30 – 8:30 | Narcotics Anonymous |
| 7 | 11:30 | Esther Circle |
| | 4:00 | Wedding – Courtney Coegg –
Jeremy Lewis |
| 8 | 9:00 | Fellowship Coffee |
| | 9:30 | Morning Worship |
| | 10:45 | Sunday school |
| | 5:30 | Youth Choir |
| 9 | 7:00 | AA |
| 10 | 5:00 | Foodnet |
| 11 | 7:00 | Ruth Circle |
| | 7:00 | Advent Study |
| 12 | | |
| 13 | 6:30 – 8:30 | Narcotics Anonymous |
| 14 | | |
| 15 | 9:00 | Fellowship Coffee |
| | 9:30 | Morning Worship |
| | 10:45 | Brunch/Potluck Dinner |
| | 3:00 – 7:00 | Lamb's Open House |
| | 4:00 | Junior/Senior High Youth |
| | 5:30 | Youth Choir |
| 16 | 9:00 | Deadline For News |
| | 7:00 | AA |
| 17 | 5:00 | Foodnet |
| 18 | 7:00 | Advent Study |
| 19 | | |
| 20 | 9:00 | Hav-O-Gram Issued |
| | 6:30 - 8:30 | Narcotics Anonymous |
| 21 | 9:00 – 2:20 | Quilts for Kids |
| 22 | 9:00 | Fellowship Coffee |
| | 9:30 | Morning Worship |
| | 10:45 | Sunday school |
| | 4:00 – 9:00 | Carlson's Open House |
| 23 | 7:00 | AA |

24 **CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**
5:00 Christmas Eve Service
8:30 Christmas Eve Service
25 **MERRY CHRISTMAS**
5:00 – 6:30 Christmas Dinner
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27 6:30 Narcotics Anonymous
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29 9:00 Fellowship Coffee
9:30 Morning Worship
10:45 Sunday school
4:00 O.V.E.R.
30 7:00 AA
31 5:00 Foodnet