

HAVELOCK UMC NEWSLETTER

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LIFESONG

Dear Friends in Christ,

“The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is thy faithfulness.” Lamentations 3:22-23 As we look to another new year, we’re reminded that God is faithful, and God’s mercies are new every morning. We can begin an exciting new adventure together in 2019. We will be becoming more like Jesus. We will be disciples of Jesus and help others be disciples too. I have a dream for our church this coming year. I dream that every person connected to our church would hear and experience God speaking to them and answer God’s call to share their faith in Jesus Christ with others.

I’ll be sharing a sermon series in worship services this January entitled “Hearing God’s Voice” featuring the Prophet Habakkuk. From Habakkuk 2:1-2, we will be discovering together the 4 keys to hearing God’s voice:

1. Recognizing God’s voice as spontaneous thoughts that come when we are attuned to God’s presence.
2. Becoming still, so we can hear God’s voice
3. Developing a vision of God, seeing God.
4. Two way prayer journaling. Writing down our prayers and God’s responses.

I am convinced that the most important thing we can do as followers of Jesus is to listen to God and to respond in faith. God has a great plan for this world and for each of us. Our job is to become aware of what God wants us to do and say. Sound exciting? It is exciting to be a part of

what God will be doing in 2019.

January 24 through 26, we’ll have an opportunity to experience God in ways we are familiar with, and in whole new ways through the Holy Spirit Encounter coming to our church. Please take time to read the enclosed information about it. I believe encountering the Holy Spirit of God is not as “strange” as some people make it out to be. In fact, it is the most natural, and the way God created us to be. God made us to be connected, aware, listening, and doing God’s will for our lives. Don’t miss out on God’s best for your everyday life!

Let’s sing a lifesong of listening for God and walking by faith in Jesus this January.

Love in Christ,
Pastor Todd

CHRISTMAS EVE AT HAVELOCK UMC

The Christmas Eve service will be held at 5:00 p.m., there will be a Candlelight worship service with communion, carols, and choirs. Pastor Todd and Dianne will be singing a duet “O Holy Night”. Share in the joy and love of Christmas.

CHRISTMAS DAY – DINNER

Dinner will be served to those in need and those who are alone on this day. If you are available to share in the spirit of Christmas and would like to help serve the Christmas Dinner please contact Sandy Carlson, 402-464-0420 or the church office, 402-466-6736. The church will be serving a traditional turkey dinner from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

POINSETTIAS

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

FLOWERS

The 2019 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.

MITTEN TREE

This year we collected 39 hats, 67 pair of mittens/gloves, 55 pair of socks and 41 pair of underwear for the children of the Head Start program. We wish to thank everyone who donated items to this worthy program.

CHILI FEED

Save the date: February 17th

The Trustees are planning a chili feed.

RADA PRODUCTS AVAILABLE

The remaining RADA products that Ruth Circle has are:

- 8 granny paring knives - \$4.75 each
- 7 peeling pairing knives - \$4.75 each
- 2 serving spoons - \$5.25 each
- 7 vegetable peelers - \$6.75
- 4 serrated slicers - \$8.00
- 1 cheese knife - \$7.75

Any questions you may have, call Laura Pape, 402-466-6338

UMW NEWS

The United Methodist Women's Executive Committee will meet on Monday, January 14th, 7:00 p.m. in room #4.

CIRCLE MEETINGS

ESTHER – Sat., January 19th, 8:30 a.m.
Panera Bread, 201 N 66th

PRISCILLA – Thur., January 24th, 10:00 a.m.
Room #4
Program – Carol Peterson
Hostess – Joan Kunkee

RUTH - Tue., January 22nd, 10:00 a.m.
Room #4
Program – Doris Smith
Hostess – Doris Smith

FELLOWSHIP COFFEE

Join us for coffee and refreshments before worship on Sunday mornings in room #4.

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, January 6th. Also, monetary donations are welcome.

MERRY MARY FULL OF JOY

“On that first Christmas morning, Mary must have felt merry indeed. Although Mary is usually pictured as calm and serene on Christmas mornings, we might remember that she was at that time a teenager. Two thousand years later, it seems difficult for many of us to imagine the intensity of the joy of a teenager who knows that she has given birth to the Messiah, her joy as she watched Him grow to manhood, her joy at the great healing miracles He performed, her joy at the resurrection, and her joy as she watched belief in Him spread through the Nations.”

JANUARY

- 1 **HAPPY NEW YEAR**
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
5:00 FoodNet
- 2 6:00 Handbells
7:00 Trustees
- 3 1:30 Pastor Todd – Worship Mahoney Manor
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- 6 9:30 Fellowship Coffee
9:30 Sunday School – Youth & Adult
11:00 Morning Worship
11:00 Sunday School - Children
- 7 7:00 AA
- 8 5:00 FoodNet
- 9 6:00 Handbells
7:00 Committee on Finance
- 10
- 11
- 12
- 13 9:30 Fellowship Coffee
9:30 Sunday School – Youth & Adult
11:00 Morning Worship
11:00 Sunday School - Children
- 14 7:00 UMW Executive Committee
7:00 AA
- 15 5:00 FoodNet
- 16 6:00 Handbells
7:00 Administrative Board
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- 19 8:30 Esther Circle
- 20 9:30 Fellowship Coffee
9:30 Sunday School – Youth & Adult
11:00 Morning Worship
11:00 Sunday School - Children
- 21 **CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**
7:00 AA
- 22 9:30 Deadline For News
10:00 Ruth Circle
5:00 FoodNet
- 23 5:00 – 6:30 4th Wednesday Dinner
6:00 Handbells
- 24 10:00 Priscilla Circle
6:30 – 9:30 Holy Spirit Encounter
- 25 8:30 am - 9:00 pm Holy Spirit Encountger
- 26 8:30 – 3:30 Holy Spirit Encounter
- 27 9:30 Fellowship Coffee
9:30 Sunday School – Youth & Adult
11:00 Morning Worship

- 2:00 OVER
- 28 7:00 AA
- 29 5:00 FoodNet
- 30 6:00 Handbells
- 31 1:30 Pastor Todd – Worship Mahoney Manor