### HAVELOCK UMC NEWSLETTER

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#### **LIFESONG**

Dear Friends in Christ, Revelations 5: 11-14 says: "Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered ten thousand times ten thousand and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped."

Worshipping God will be our occupation for eternity. If you don't like to worship God, you won't want to go to heaven. I used to think worship was boring. The music was dull, the scriptures and prayers were long, and the sermon put me to sleep. If you are coming to church services to be entertained, you will be disappointed. There is no way that any church could give you exactly what you want every week. But church services are not meant to entertain us, but to give us an opportunity to worship God together with others. They give us a glimpse of what it will be like in heaven, when thousands of thousands will sing praises to God and all creation will bow down and worship our Creator, Our Savior, and King. I stopped being bored in worship services when I began to focus on God and not all the other human-made trappings of worship. When I think of what God has done for me, this fabulous creation, the sacrifice Jesus made for me on the cross, the

power of the Holy Spirit to move me to be all God created me to be, I can't help but praise God. Worship is not the songs, not the prayers, not the words, or the pictures; worship is the attitude of our heart toward God.

Come join us to worship God this September as we continue our worship through the Gospel of Mark, pointing us to God's way to live every day. Our worship service is at 10 a.m. on Sundays. Come discover ways to worship God with your whole lives in Sunday School at 8:45 a.m. for youth and adults and for Children at 10 a.m., men's or women's fellowship groups, help the Food Net on Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m. or Community Supper the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday, and many other ways this September.

Let's sing a lifesong of worship to our God this September.

Love in Christ, Pastor Todd

#### **FLOWERS**

The 2021 Flower Calendar has been placed by the church office. If you would like to furnish flowers for the worship services you may sign up on Sunday mornings or call the church office, 402-466-6736.

#### SCRIP CARDS MAY BE PURCHASED

If you are interested in buying SCRIP cards contact Pati Hughes at 402-440-7512. Pati will either deliver the SCRIP cards to your home or you can pick them up at Pati's house. SCRIP cards are also available for sale on Sunday morning in the East hall.

#### **FELLOWSHIP COFFEE**

Join us for coffee and refreshments before worship on Sunday mornings in the Friendship Parlor at 8:30am.

#### **COMMUNITY SUPPER**

The next 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Community Supper will be held on Wednesday, September 22nd from 5:00-6:00 p.m.

This will be a grab-n-go meal. Please enter from Morrill & 61<sup>st</sup> Street, drive SOUTH on parking area to EAST door.

#### FINANCIAL UPDATE

Financial update from the Finance Committee thru end of August 2021:

Giving \$80,893.04 Expenses \$91,793.96 Shortage (\$10,900.92)

Giving has increased recently so thank you! You can mail in a check or drop one off using the mailbox in the alley. You can also give online, there's a link on our Facebook page or on our website <a href="www.havelockumc.org">www.havelockumc.org</a>. And of course if you are attending church you can put it in the offering plate. If you need help setting up online giving please contact Pati Hughes at 402-440-7512. Note we did have a positive cash flow balance from last year so we are current on our bills. Thank you for your support of our church.

Patricia Hughes Financial chair

#### **NEW OFFICE HOURS**

The new church office hours are Monday through Thursday, 8:00 am - 1:30 pm.

#### THANK YOU

I wish to express my appreciation to the Pastor/Parish Committee and others who helped with my lovely retirement celebration. Thanks also for the love offering. I am going to use it to purchase something special.

I have enjoyed my 46 years working for our church, which includes all of you!

Love, Leona

#### **DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO...**

The congregation extends its Christian love and sincere sympathy to the family of Randy Irons. Randy passed away unexpectedly on August 16th. Visitation was from 6-8 pm on Friday, August 20th at Lincoln Family Funeral Care. Celebration of Life services were at 9:30 am on Saturday, August 21st in the sanctuary.

#### IN OUR PRAYERS

Please let the church office know if there has been a birth, baptism, marriage, illness, or death in your family that you would like to share. Let us know if someone is hospitalized or needs our prayers. If you would like immediate prayers for the individual call, the church office (402-466-6736) or Beth Honnen (402-466-5722) and we will initiate the Prayer Chain.

#### **YOGA**

All are welcome to join the yoga class on Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at noon in the Fellowship Hall. All ages and skill levels can participate. Please bring your own yoga mat. Invite your friends to join us!

#### WALK TO EMMAUS

Walk to Emmaus is coming up soon at Covenant Cedars Bible Camp near Aurora, NE. Walk to Emmaus is an Upper Room ministry about the basics of Christianity. There are several wonderful talks, worship, and spiritual growth opportunities. Long time Christians can grow in their faith and seekers can learn more about what Christians believe.

The Men's Walk is September 23-27, and the Women's Walk is October 7-10. Please visit the below links for more information.

#### Men's Walk:

https://www.nebraskawalktoemmaus.org/mw137info/

#### Women's Walk:

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THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY.

## THE SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER ISSUE OF THE UPPER ROOM IS NOW AVAILABLE BY THE FOOD CART.

#### **HOLY HUMOR**

Q: Why didn't they play cards on the Ark?

A: Because Noah was always standing on the deck!

#### **SEPTEMBER**

1	7:00 pm – Trustees Meeting
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3	7:00  pm - AA
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5	8:30 am – Fellowship Coffee
	8:45 am – Sunday School
	10:00 am – Morning Worship
6	Labor Day – Office closed
7	7:00 – AA
7	4:30 pm – FoodNet
8	7:00 pm – Finance Meeting
9	7.00
10	7:00  pm - AA
11	12:00 pm – Yoga
12	8:30 am – Fellowship Coffee
	8:45 am – Sunday School
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13	7:00 pm – AA
14	4:30 pm – FoodNet
15	7:00 pm – Ad Board Meeting
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17	7:00 pm – AA
18	8:30 am – Esther's Circle
19	8:30 am – Fellowship Coffee
	8:45 am – Sunday School
	10:00 am – Morning Worship
• •	11:00 am – Outreach Meeting
20	8:00 am – Deadline for October
	Newsletter
	7:00 am – AA
21	4:30 pm – FoodNet
22	$5:00 \text{ pm} - 6:00 \text{ pm} - 4^{\text{th}} \text{ Wednesday}$
22	Community Supper
23	10:00 am – Priscilla's Circle
24	7:00  pm - AA
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26	8:30 am – Fellowship Coffee
	8:45 am – Sunday School
	10:00 am – Morning Worship
27	2:00 pm – OVER
27	7:00 pm – AA
28	4:30 pm – FoodNet
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# Prison Ministry IS IT FOR YOU?

September 18 10 AM - 3 PM

ConnectioN Point 1333 N 33rd St Lincoln, NE Learn about prison ministry and get involved through this interactive workshop with Released and Restored, a nonprofit, evidence-based prison ministry serving Nebraska for over 16 years.

Lunch will be provided.

Get more info and RSVP at umcprisonministry.eventbrite.com.





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