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Havelock United Methodist Church
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O Come All Ye Faithful Christmas Eve Services

Plan to come and join your Havelock church family in celebration of our Savior's birth. There will be two services at 5 p.m. and 11 p.m. An organ/piano prelude is planned to begin 20 minutes prior to each service.

The 5 p.m. service will focus on family. We will sing carols, light candles and share in the story as we remember what the shepherds experienced that first holy night. Communion will be served at both services.

The 11 p.m. traditional service with candlelight, carols, communion and special message has been a meaningful part of this church for many years.

Please come and worship with us.

Women's Activities UMW Executive Committee

The United Methodist Women's Executive Committee will meet on Monday, January 14th, 7:00 p.m. in the church library.

ESTHER CIRCLE	Sat., January 19th, 8:30 a.m. Crema Coffee Shop
RUTH CIRCLE	Tues., January 22nd, 7:30 p.m. 3725 North 60th Worship - Jan Blair Program - Jan Blair Hostess - Jan Blair
LYDIA CIRCLE	Wed., January 23rd, 1:00 p.m. Friendship Parlor Program - Darlene Elliott Hostess - Frances Packett
PRISCILLA CIRCLE	Thur., January 24th, 9:30 a.m. Church Library Program - Carol Peterson Hostess - Leona Frerichs

Our Deepest Sympathy

The congregation extends its Christian love and sincere sympathy to the family of Ed Conrad. Ed passed away on November 8th. His memorial service was held in the sanctuary in November 15th.

Diaper Depot

A collection box for Diaper Depot will be set out Sunday, January 6th in the narthex. We are in need of diapers, wipes and Desitin ointment. Also, monetary donations will be accepted and put to use to support this worth while cause.

Christmas Day Dinner

A Christmas Dinner will be served from 4 to 6 p.m. on Christmas Day, December 25, for those in need or for anyone spending this day alone without family. This is an outreach ministry to our Havelock area. Also, pray for the preparers of this meal and those who come to partake of it.

Advent Envelopes

Advent offering envelopes were sent out with last month's newsletter. Our thanks to those who have returned them. All proceeds from the offering will be used locally. They are to be shared with the Pastor's Fund for the Least, the Peoples City Mission and the Northeast Food Pantry. Your help in serving those less fortunate is greatly appreciated.



Poinsettias

Those who have purchased poinsettias may take them home after Christmas Eve services. See Dean or Beth Hannen if you need a cover for them. Thank you for filling the sanctuary with color during the Advent season!

Flowers

The 2008 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, 466-6736.

Closed

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



Pastor's Note

A Christmas Eve Tradition

We may not be a mega-church with a string quartet or live nativity scene, but our church family, started in 1890, has seen 117 Christmas Eve's as of this year.



Christmas Eve
Services 5 & 11 p.m.

Many things have changed over the years. Folks arrived on horseback, in horse drawn carriages or walked to the service that first Christmas Eve in 1890. No television or holiday films to compete with on that first Christmas Eve, although Charlie Chaplin, the father of modern film-making was born that year.

There is one thing, however, that hasn't changed: The message of Christmas remains as faithful and true as ever. A message of hope, joy, love and peace that is needed today more than ever.

Why not turn off the T.V., put aside other plans and make your way to the Havelock Church for a family oriented service with communion at 5 p.m. or a traditional candlelight and communion Christmas Eve Celebration at 11:00 p.m. We will sing the songs of Christmas and share in the Christmas message as we have for over a century. We would love to have you join us.

Financial Update

Currently the Havelock Church has received \$52,256 in pledges for the 2008 Budget and another \$7,560 in pledges for appropriations.

Our pledges for the year 2007 were \$89,518 of which we have received 82% to date. Our pledges are down by over \$37,000 from what was pledged in 2007.

The finance committee and myself as pastor are very concerned with this outcome. We are asking you to join us in prayer to seek God's leading for the future of our church.

We pray that in the last few weeks of 2007 more of our members will step up and make a commitment to the continued ministry of the Havelock United Methodist Church. We will monitor our offerings in the weeks to come. If the outlook does not improve, reality may dictate some difficult and possibly "unpopular" decisions about the continued ministries' of our church.

Financial commitment to the church is as much a part of our faith as bible study, prayer and worship attendance. Please consider your pledge carefully and prayerfully.

Financial Update

Received for budget	\$89,435
Budget Requirement	\$93,492
Shortfall:	\$4,057

Thank You

A very warm and heartfelt thank you to Pastor Chuck, the Courtesy Committee and everyone else for all the cards and memorial gifts for the Ed Conrad service.

Ron & Laura Pape
Mike & Faye Conrad
Pat & Steve Robertson
Sandy Conrad

THANK YOU!! It's once again time to say thank you to everyone who has helped clean, repair and maintain the grounds and church this past year.

Wendell Smith
Trustee Chairman

Members of Havelock UMC,

The Courtesy Committee wants to thank everyone for their contributions and help for the Ed Conrad funeral luncheon served after the memorial service on November 15. It is appreciated.

Thank you so very much for your recent donation of hats, gloves, and a scarf to the LPS Head Start Program. Community donations make it possible so that each child in our program may receive a holiday gift.

Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.

Diaper Depot would like to thank everyone who gave products and cash in the month of December. We need people like you to keep this ministry going.

Angie Upah
LPS Excite Enrollment & Family Involvement

Carol Peterson
Diaper Depot Coordinator

Upper Room

The January-February issue of the Upper Room is now available by the food cart in the east hall.

Please join us for food and fellowship. . . .



at Havelock United Methodist Church
(4140 N. 60th Street)
for free Christmas Dinner
December 25, 2007.



Serving traditional turkey dinner
from 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
(Please enter through the east door)



For everyone at all ages and stages - senior citizens, families, children, and singles - those who would otherwise be alone this holiday season. If you have questions, please call Sandy Carlson at
Cell - 440-3543
Home - 464-0420

January 2008

1	4:30	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FoodNet	17	1:00	AARP
2	7:00	Youth Choir	18	6:30	Narcotics Anonymous
3			19	8:30	Esther Circle
4	4:30	Narcotics Anonymous		10:00 - 2:00	Seven Day Baptist
5	10:00	Seven Day Baptist	20	9:00	Fellowship Coffee
6	9:00	Fellowship Coffee		9:30	Morning Worship
	9:30	Morning Worship		10:45	Sunday School
	10:45	Sunday School		6:00	MYF
	6:00	MYF	21		CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
7	7:00	AA		7:00	AA
8	10:00	Prayer Meeting	22	9:00	Deadline For News
	4:30	FoodNet		10:00	Prayer Meeting
9	6:00	Chancel Choir		4:30	FoodNet
	7:00	Youth Choir		7:00	Ruth Circle
10	7:00	Nurture	23	1:00	Lydia Circle
11	6:30	Narcotics Anonymous		7:00	Youth Choir
12	10:00	Seven Day Baptist	24	9:30	Priscilla Circle
13	9:00	Fellowship Coffee	25	9:00	Hav-O-Gram Issued
	9:30	Morning Worship		6:30	Narcotics Anonymous
	10:45	Sunday School	26	10:00	Seven Day Baptist
	6:00	MYF	27	8:00	Trustees
14	7:00	AA		9:00	Fellowship Coffee
	7:00	UMW Executive Committee		9:30	Morning Worship
15	10:00	Prayer Meeting		10:45	Sunday School
	4:30	FoodNet		6:00	MYF
	7:00	Administrative Board	28	7:00	AA
16	6:00	Chancel Choir	29	10:00	Prayer Meeting
	7:00	Youth Choir		4:30	FoodNet
			30	7:00	Youth Choir
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Ushers for January

Bob Artz

Joe Byler

Tracy Evans

Ken Fisher

