

# HAVE-O-GRAM

Havelock United Methodist Church  
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## A Note of Thanks

The Worship Committee would like to extend a special Thank You to all who participated and helped with the many activities leading up to Easter Sunday.

May God BLESS each of you for the time and compassion you have shared visiting the shut-ins, spending time in prayer, and helping to prepare the church sanctuary for the Easter service. Also special thanks to the youth for their early service, Pastor Chuck and those that have worked with him to begin the recovery service.

May the Joy of Easter and the anticipation of Spring renew your spirit and lift your heart as you have shared your faith with love and compassion.

God Bless  
Dean Honnen  
Worship Chairperson

A note of appreciation to the 70th and O Street HyVee Flower Dept. and Flowerama at 5305 O Street for their help in providing flowers for the blossoming of the cross on Easter morning.

I would like to thank everyone who contributed food items for the Soup Supper. To those who helped prepare the meal, serve and clean up, your help was appreciated.

-Leona Frerichs

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The Funeral Committee wishes to thank everyone who helped the Pauline Frain funeral luncheon on Monday, March 17th. It was appreciated very much.

We also appreciated the Rebekahs help and Food donations.

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I wish to express my appreciation for all the cards, phone calls and prayers during Pauline's illness and passing.

Thank you very much for the lovely luncheon that was served after the service.

-Jim Frain

## Potluck Dinner

We will be celebrating Festival of God's Creation on Sunday, April 20th with a potluck dinner following worship in Fellowship Hall.

## Flowers

The following dates are still open on the flower calendar: April 27, July 27, August 17, September 7, 14, 21, 28, October 12 and 19.

This is a nice way to honor a loved one, someone's birthday or anniversary, or in remembrance of someone who is deceased.

## In Sympathy

The congregation extends its Christian love and sincere sympathy to the family of Pauline Frain.

Pauline passed away March 14. Her funeral service was held on March 17th in the sanctuary.

## Congratulations!

Adam Burt received his third grade Bible on Palm Sunday, March 16th.

## Baptism

Congratulations to Wyatt Jerome Gemmell who was baptized on Sunday, March 9th.

Wyatt is the son of Justin and Celissa Gemmell and the grandson of Deb Moss and the great-grandson of Wendell and Doris Smith.



## Diaper Depot

A collection box will be set out Sunday, April 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.

## Ushers for April

Leonard Barnhill

Tom Coil

Ron Pape

Deane Younkin

## Pastor's Note

### A CHURCH IN RECOVERY "For all have sinned and fall short of God's glorious standard." Romans 3:23 (NLT)

Some may think that by looking at the title of this article that it is addressing a church trying to return to days of the past when the church was growing rather than in decline. But it is not about returning to the past. It is about new growth. With time comes change in churches as well as communities. Our community has changed radically over the years. Havelock was once a neighborhood of families who planted roots in the community and in the church. A recent study we had done for our church shows that we are a transitional community today. The elderly are well represented in both the community and the church. In 2007 20 funerals were held at the Havelock Church. Many people and families living in the community are only temporary, being either renters or people buying a starter home. There's a lot of turnover.

We also see there is a lot of need. Each week around 100 people come to the Foodnet Program here at the church. We also distribute a lot of clothing at Esther's Closet. Our study revealed that a significant number of people in our community are in 12-step Recovery Groups. Havelock hosts the largest Narcotics Anonymous Group in this region of Nebraska. With the elderly population there are a lot of folks recovering from the loss of loved ones.

Our challenge is not to return to the "Glory Days" of the past but to be a vibrant instrument of God's love in the present. You see, our message and mission is all about recovery of God's children. While all are not addicts or alcoholics, we all are sinners in need of God's grace. We all have our habits, hang-ups and shortcomings. We are all in recovery.

On Easter Sunday we intentionally invited all in our community, including 12 step recovery programs, to join us in a worship service that was a true Easter Service - a service of recovery. We are pleased that the response was wonderful. I invite you to pray that we can continue to be a church in recovery supporting one another and reaching out to those in need.

## UPCOMING RECOVERY SERVICES

April 6th - Meg Daughtery of "Fresh Start" – speaking  
(UMW Sunday)

April 13th - 12 Week Series:

### 12 Steps to a New Way of Living

Did you know that the 12 steps used by AA and other recovery groups were taken from Christ's Sermon On the Mount? Beginning April 13th we will be looking at the 12 steps of AA and how they relate to the Christian spiritual life. Each week we will take one step and make it the focus of our service. In addition, we will offer a small discussion group after the service, which will further discuss the step of the week utilizing a video curriculum called "A Hunger for Healing" by Keith Miller and Karen Hinckley.

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## Financial Report March 23, 2008

Operating Budget Needs Year To Date for 2008	\$22,764
Receipts for Operating Budget Year To Date:	<u>21,009</u>
Shortfall:	\$ 1,755

We are pleased to report that the Havelock Church paid nearly 90% of their 2007 apportionment obligation. Let's make it 100% in 2008!!

## Women's Activities Circle Meetings

ESTHER Sat., April 19th, 9:00 am  
Braeda Fresh Express Express Cafe  
4901 O Street

LYDIA Wed., April 23rd, 1:00 pm  
Friendship Parlor  
Program - Jean Heiser  
Hostess - Viona Deeds

RUTH Tues., April 22nd, 7:30 pm  
7021 Seward  
Worship - Lola McConnell  
Program - Lola McConnell  
Hostess - Lola McConnell

PRISCILLA Thur., April 24th, 9:30 am  
Church Library  
Program - Joan Kunkee  
Hostess - Nancy Ess

### Bakeless Bake Sale

The Havelock United Methodist Women are sponsoring a "Bakeless Bake" sale in April. This means you can donate money instead of buying ingredients, mixing the batter, doing the baking and then delivering to the Bake Sale. Simply write a check to Havelock UMW and mark it "No Bake Sale". The money will be used for missions.

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The Blue River District Spring Retreat will be held on Saturday, April 26th, 9:00 am at Centenary United Methodist Church, Beatrice, Nebraska. The theme is "A Light unto My Path".

The noon meal will be a catered lunch. Reservations NO LATTER than April 11th to Deanna Holland, 9048 E Hoyt Rd, Filley, NE 68357. Cost us \$6.50 prepaid reservations only.

### HUMW April General Meeting

The next General Meeting of the Havelock United Methodist Women will be held on Wednesday, April 9th at 7:00 pm in Friendship Parlor. This meeting will be a dessert, only, furnished by Ruth Circle, hostess. Ruth will also provide clean up. The program will be presented by Ruth Circle.

### 4th of July Celebration

Doing spring cleaning? Remember to save items for the white elephant table for the 4th of July celebration. Items can be brought to the church any time.



### Fellowship Coffee

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

## April 2008

1	10:00 4:30	Prayer Meeting FoodNet	16	7:00 7:30	Youth Choir Chancel Choir
2	7:00 7:30	Youth Choir Chancel Choir	17		
3			18	6:30	Narcotics Anonymous
4	6:30	Narcotics Anonymous	19	9:00 10:00	Esther Circle Seven Day Baptist
5	10:00	Seven Day Baptist	20	9:00 9:30 10:45 6:00	Fellowship Coffee Morning Worship Potluck MYF
6	9:00 9:30 10:45 6:00	Fellowship Coffee Morning Worship Sunday School MYF	21	9:00 7:00	Deadline for News AA
7	7:00	AA	22	10:00 4:30 7:30	Prayer Meeting FoodNet Ruth Circle
8	10:00 4:30	Prayer Meeting FoodNet	23	1:00 7:00 7:30	Lydia Circle Youth Choir Chancel Choir
9	7:00	UMW General Meeting	24	9:30	Priscilla Circle
10	8:30 - 5:15 7:00	Workshop Nurture	25	9:00 6:30	Hav-0-Gram Issued Narcotics Anonymous
11	8:30 - 5:15 6:30	Workshop Narcotics Anonymous	26	10:00	Seven Day Baptist
12	10:00	Seven Day Baptist	27	8:00 9:00 9:30 10:45 6:00	Trustees Fellowship Coffee Morning Worship Sunday School MYF
13	8:30 9:00 9:30 10:45 6:00	Vision Meeting Fellowship Coffee Morning Worship Sunday School MYF	28	7:00	AA
14	7:00	AA	29	10:00 4:30	Prayer Meeting FoodNet
15	10:00 4:30 7:00	Prayer Meeting FoodNet Administrative Board	30	7:00 7:30	Youth Choir Chancel Choir

