

HAVE-O-GRAM

Havelock United Methodist Church
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Flowers

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

This is a nice way to honor a love one or someone who is deceased.



Congratulations

May brings May baskets, Mother's Day and Memorial Day. It also signals the end of the school year, and for some the end of high school and college. Congratulations to those seniors graduating this May/June.

Northeast High School

Jordan Burt
Kayla Irons
Jesse Zeller

North Star High

Jaimee Kittrell
Matt Kittrell

5th Annual 4th of July Block Party

This July 4th will be our 5th annual Community Block Party held in the HUMC courtyard. Each year the attendance has increased and we are expecting an excellent turn-out again this year.

Because many in the community are single parent and low income families, we feel it is important to offer this wholesome, fun activity at no charge. There is a free lunch offered to all. We have games, a bounce house, water balloon toss, and a visit from Fire Station #5. We will also hold a raffle for the children.

We are excited to announce a new addition to our celebration. In conjunction with Farmer's Insurance, HUMC will be offering the m.i.l.k. (managing information on lost kids) Digital ID program. This was designed to provide parents and caregivers a convenient location to store a digital photo and identification information. The Digital ID is totally free as a community service of Farmer's Insurance. Should a child become lost or missing, the m.i.l.k. Digital ID can be printed or sent via email to proper authorities and forwarded to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Stop by the m.i.l.k. Digital booth and check out this great way to protect your children.

We would appreciate donations of 2 liter bottles of pop for games, and any small household items or trinkets for our white elephant table.

We need help setting up and tearing down and also with games, between the hours of 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Please see Sandy Carlson for sign-up.

District News

Bishop Ann B. Sherer is pleased to announce that Rev. Galen Wray, who is currently pastor of the Ainsworth & Johnstown UMC, has accepted appointment to be the next District Superintendent in the Blue River District.

Rev. Keith Johnson has accepted the appointment to serve as senior pastor at Saint Paul UMC in Omaha.

In Sympathy

The congregation extends its Christian love and sincere sympathy to the families of Agnes Brown, Arleen Colgrove, Eva Frain and Leonard Storm.

Agnes passed away April 22. Her funeral service was held on April 25. Arleen passed away on April 25. Her funeral service was held on April 28. Eva passed away on April 28. Her funeral service was held on May 1. Leonard passed away April 29. His funeral service was held on May 2.

Thanks

The family of Elmer Barnhill wishes to express their appreciation for the cards and memorial gifts to the church and a special thanks to Pastor Chuck and the women who served the luncheon after the service.

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Thank you for supporting the Northeast Area Emergency Food Pantry. Your recent donation of \$500 and the many bags of food are very much appreciated. In 2007, the Pantry provided food assistance to 432 families (1169 people).

Virginia Carter, Director Northeast Area Food Pantry

Ushers for June

Ross Farley

Kayla Irons

Randy Irons

Tony Martin



Pastor's Note

"ONE DAY AT A TIME"

"Therefore do not worry about tomorrow..." - Matthew 6:34

I was grateful on Sunday when Ken Carlson, Chair of the Staff Parish Relations Committee, read a letter from Bishop Sherer appointing me as pastor for the Havelock Church for another year. Yet as I pondered my feelings about the appointment I was reminded of an important principle of the spiritual life, one that Jesus taught: We must live in the present.

While it is useful for us as a church and myself as a pastor to have goals for the future, the only thing that we really accomplish is what we do today. While the bishop and cabinet has made an appointment for a year, they don't know how many days or "present moments" I really have on this earth.

The good news is that God does and God has a plan for today that we can know and follow. Faith tells us that this is ok. God is in control. All we need revealed is the step we're taking today.

I am excited about being at Havelock Church in ministry today. I believe God is purposefully directing our steps. I believe this direction is reflected in the mission statement that we as a church have "received". It is a mission that is accomplished today - one day at a time.

Our mission is to provide a spiritual community of loving friends, growing together in God's truth and reaching out to those in need.

Praise God for a faith that frees us from the worries of tomorrow so that we can truly live together in faith today!

Belize Mission Trip

Unlike the mission of Indiana Jones in the upcoming movie "Kingdom of the Crystal Skull" which is based on the discovery of a mysterious crystal skull in a Mayan Ruin in Belize, Central America, our mission is not to save the world from destruction in 2012 A.D. but to help save some physically disabled children in Belize from being forgotten and neglected.

Gilberto, our friend from Belize, will fly in from Belize City on the evening of June 5th and he and Colonel James Ryan and myself will leave on a school bus with a wheelchair lift on the morning of June 6th headed for Orange Walk Town in Belize. The trip of 5500 miles in a 1991 Thomas School Bus should take about 7 days as we drive through Mexico along the western coast missing the mountains. Unfortunately, the bus is not air-conditioned so the trip will be a challenge in the summer heat and humidity. The outcome for the children at Joshua's place, a school and therapy clinic for the children in Northern Belize will be worth the discomfort. I am asking for your prayers for a safe and productive mission trip. I will be returning on June 18th. During the Sundays I am gone we will continue the sermon series on the 12 Steps. Following is the schedule:

Sunday, June 8th - Step 9 - Speaker: Gene Fitzpatrick of the Recovery Church in Omaha

Sunday, June 15th - Step 10 - Speaker: LaVonne Rosenthal

A Recovery Mission to Belize?

Belize, like the U.S. has a large social problem with alcohol and drug addiction. However, unlike the U.S., they have limited help for the alcoholic and addict looking for recovery and for their families. We have made connections with AA groups in Belize and will network with them during our June trip to consider putting together a mission trip to assist them in developing and promoting recovery in Belize. The mission would assist in taking recovery literature for the groups as well as giving interviews on local radio and T.V. programs about recovery programs and their effectiveness in helping the alcoholic and addict who is still suffering as well as their families.

Upon our return, we will put together a recruiting video and schedule meetings for those who might be interested in the mission. Prospective recruits would come from the Recovery Church in Omaha as well as the Havelock Church. In addition, the mission opportunity could be presented to the larger recovery community in both Lincoln and Omaha.

Brunch



Havelock United Methodist Women will hold a general meeting on Saturday, June 14th at 9:30 a.m. This will be the Annual June Brunch hosted by the Executive Committee. Women from Eagle, Faith, Warren, Grace, Newman, and Greenwood United Methodist Churches have been invited. The program will be presented by Debbie Way - Director of Community Outreach/Life Celebrant - Ropers. She will be talking about "Who Get's Grandma's Pie Plate". All ladies of the church are invited. Reservations can be made by calling the church office, 466-6736, on or before June 11th.

Reading Program

You still have several precious weeks to complete the 2007-2008 Reading Program. The names of participants, and the plan they completed needs to be turned in by June 18th. Participants who have completed the Reading Program will be recognized at the UMW Blue River District Annual meeting in September. Please call Leona Frerichs at 466-6736 or 464-6632 with the above information.



Diaper Depot



A collection box will be set out Sunday, June 1st 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.

June 2008

1	9:00	Fellowship Coffee	17	10:00	Prayer Meeting
	9:30	Morning Worship		4:30	FoodNet
	6:15	Softball			
2	7:00	AA			
3	10:00	Prayer Meeting			
	4:30	FoodNet			
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6	6:30	Narcotics Anonymous			
7	10:00	Seven Day Baptist			
	12:00 - 6:00	NE Recovery Network			
8	9:00	Fellowship Coffee			
	9:30	Morning Worship			
	8:15	Softball			
9	7:00	AA			
10	10:00	Prayer Meeting			
	4:30	FoodNet			
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12	7:00	Nurture			
13	6:30	Narcotics Anonymous			
14	9:30	UMW Brunch			
	10:00	Seven Day Baptist			
15	9:00	Fellowship Coffee			
	9:30	Morning Worship			
	2:00 - 5:00	50th Wedding Anniversary Deane and Betty Younkin			
	7:15	Softball			
16	7:00	AA			
			18		
			19		
			20	6:30	Wedding Rehearsal
				6:30	Narcotics Anonymous
				8:30	Youth Lock-In
			21	8:30	End Youth Lock-In
				10:00	Seven Day Baptist
				6:00	Wedding Amy Waldo - Parks Smith
			22	9:00	Fellowship Coffee
				9:30	Morning Worship
				5:15	Softball
			23	9:00	Deadline for News
				7:00	AA
			24	10:00	Prayer Meeting
				4:30	FoodNet
			25		
			26		
			27	9:00	Hav-O-Gram Issued
				6:30	Wedding Rehearsal
				6:30	Narcotics Anonymous
			28	9:00	Private Meeting
				10:00	Seven Day Baptist
					Wedding Dani Bailey - Steve Fusco
			29	9:00	Fellowship Coffee
				9:30	Morning Worship
			30	7:00	AA



Financial Report - May 18, 2008

Operating Budget Needs Year to Date for 2008	\$37,940
Receipts for Operating Budget Year to Date:	<u>39,792</u>
Reserve:	\$ 1,815