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Members and friends of Havelock United Methodist Church are invited to a KICK-OFF TO FALL BRUNCH on Sunday, September 11th following the church service. Come and enjoy egg casseroles, fruit cups, coffee cake, juice and coffee.

This is a great time to enjoy fellowship with good friends and to share your summer experiences with others. We will be looking forward to seeing you there.

A FREE WILL OFFERING WILL BE TAKEN TO COVER THE COST OF THE FRESH FRUIT.



---------------SUNDAY SCHOOL

CLASSES

TO BEGIN

The beginning of our new Sunday school year is Sunday, September 18th, at 10:45 a.m. for adults and children. Classes will be available for Pre-school (2 - 4 year

FALL FESTIVAL DINNER

A Steak Dinner will be held on Monday, September 19th from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Tickets will be sold in advance for \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children 10 and under. Tickets at the door will be \$9.00. Carry out meals will be available.

The menu is steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, corn or green beans, a roll, jello salad, and pie or angel food cake. A choice of beverage is available.

The sponsoring group for the dinner is the Havelock United Methodist Women.

GARAGE SALE

On Saturday, September 24th we are having the 3rd Adult Bible Study Garage Sale. It will be at the church from 8 am to 2 pm. One table will be \$15, 2 tables are \$25. Please contact Pati Hughes, 402-440-7512 if you want a table. If the weather allows we will be inside and outside. The table rentals will again benefit the Backpack program for local youth. Please come sell your stuff or come buy others stuff! Hope to see you on the 24th.

THE SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER ISSUE OF THE UPPER ROOM IS NOW AVAILABLE IN THE EAST HALL BY THE PANTRY CART.



The following dates are still open on the flower calendar: September 4, September 11 and September 25.

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



The congregation extends its Christian love and sincere sympathy to the family of Valjean Bell.

Valjean passed away August 3. Her funeral service was held in the sanctuary on August 13.

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ANNUAL

FALL CRAFT FAIR

It might be hard to imagine right now but Fall is on the way and so is our Annual olds), kindergarten (5 year olds), Craft Fair, Saturday, OctFirst and Second Grades, Third and Fourth Grades, Fifth ober 8th. The Adult Bible and Sixth Grades, Youth and Adults.

Study sponsors this event, but we couldn't be successful without all of you. Once again we are asking for volunteers to help man the kitchen and a few good men and women to make sure everything gets put back where it belongs after the craft show. We are also in need of people to donate bars and cookies for lunch and other baked goods to sell. Of course, if you have a bad back and you don't like to bake, we can always use cash donations to purchase items for the lunch. If you would like to help in anyway, please contact Karen Lamb, 402-540-8532.

> The money raised by the Adult Bible Study goes to help people in our community as well as to our own church to help with building improvements, and utilities.

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON LABOR DAY, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5th.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible school was a great success! 26 children participated in "SonSurf Beach Bash". A great learning experience was had by all. Their offering of \$45.01 will go to the Children's Fund for Christian Mission.

A BIG THANKS goes to all of those who made vacation Bible school possible Gloria Coil, Doris Schulenberg, for the super coordination of this five day program

Pre-School & Kindergarten -Julie Burt, Jennifer Grim

1st & 2nd Grade -Jennifer Farley, Vicky Finney Julia Sanford, Dylan Lamb Brook Schwisow

3rd, 4th, 5th & 6th Grade -Patie Hughes, Katie Lamb, Marie Hughes

Music - Sharon Strasil, Robert Sanford

Skit Actors -

Marie Hughes Micah Farley Zac Farley Kayla Farley

Adam Burt

Kamryn Plock Katie Lamb Dylan Lamb Brook Schwisow Danielle Picotte Crafts - Candra Irons, Doris Smith Rhonda Sanford, Kayla Irons Sue Souders, Laura Pape

Kitchen - Gloria Coil, Kristen Plock, Tiffany Harris

Skit Director - Bob Lamb

Support - Ross Farley, Chris Plock



HAVELOCK UNITED METHODIST



ESTHER

Sat., September 17th, 8:30 a.m. Breada, 4901 "O" Street

PRISCILLA Thur., September 22nd, 10:00 am Chapel

Program - Leona Frerichs Hostess - Nancy Ess

RUTH

Tues., September 27th, 7:00 p.m. 3725 North 60th

Worship - Jan Blair Program - Jan Blair Hostess - Jan Blair

SEPETEMBER GENERAL MEETING

The next General Meeting of the Havelock United Methodist Women will be held on Wednesday, September 14th, 6:00 p.m. in Friendship Parlor. This will be our annual salad supper. Everyone is asked to bring a salad to share.

We will be inviting the women from Grace, Warren, Faith and Eagle United Methodist Churches.

The Executive Committee will be the hostess. The program will be given by Janis Burgess on her trip to the Holy Land.

ANNUAL FALL MEETING

The Blue River District UMW will meet on Saturday, September 24th, coffee & registration 9:15 a.m. - meeting 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church, 1730 Kentwell Lane, Lincoln, NE. The program will be "Human Trafficking: Slavery, Myth, & Fact" given by Ronald Hampton, UNL & Lynne Froning, UMW. Inkind giving for Food-Bank of Lincoln. For a copy of the list please see Doris Smith or Leona Frerichs. Lunch is by pre-paid registration only. For a registration form and to pay for your lunch please call Doris Smith, 402-489-3281.

FINANCIAL REPORT AUGUST 21, 2011

Operating Budget Needs Year to Date for 2011

\$68,112 \$62,617

Receipts Year to Date Shortfall:

\$ 5,495

The above does not include apportionments paid to the Annual Conference

PASTOR'S NOTE

FIVE PRACTICES OF FRUITFUL CONGREGATIONS

Mark Twain said "Nobody likes change except a wet baby." But like it or not, change is upon us. I know that this is not the first time that most of you have heard me lift this up. I sometimes feel like a broken record but yet I know that our church and our denomination are in the midst of a time of great change. I'm not talking about climate change but rather a profound cultural change that began over thirty years ago. Churches like any organization may either embrace the change or perish. In the past thirty years we have seen a sharp downturn not only in church membership but also in the number of churches that have survived.

Havelock United Methodist has survived but we also are seeing the signs of decline. I know that many in our congregation are concerned and frustrated. We have a lot to offer the Havelock Community but seem to struggle with understanding how we can reach those around us. There is no quick fix but we know that doing nothing will cost us dearly in the near future. I invite all who care about our community and church to join me in a five-week conference where we will begin looking at the changes and challenges facing our congregation and our denomination. We will take direction from the book and video series "Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations" written by United Methodist Bishop Robert Schnase and also "Leading Change in the Congregation" by Alban Institute Senior Consultant Gilbert Rendle. The Alban Institute has been studying the challenges that face the church in a changing society for over thirty years.

We will meet for the first time on Tuesday, September 20th from 7:00-8:15 pm in Fellowship Hall. Each week we will look at a video presentation on the "Five Practices" and also discuss a chapter from "Leading Change in the Congregation". While handouts will be available I would encourage each participant to purchase the book on "Leading Change in the Congregation." You may order the book online or call Leona at the church (466-6736) and we will order the book at a cost of \$14 per copy. During our time together I will be inviting our District Superintendent and other conference staff to address us not only in the direction of the United Methodist Church in Nebraska, but also how the Havelock United Methodist Church fits into the mix.

This will be more than a study. It is what we United Methodists refer to as "Holy Conferencing" where we consider what direction the Holy Spirit is leading our church. All of you are invited to be a part of this important time in the life of our church. Now is the time to seek this direction while our church is strong and able to respond.

Blessings, Pastor Chuck

ALSO CHECK OUT A FEW OF OUR RECOVERY AND OUTREACH MINISTRIES:

- Counseling Services (For more information call 476-2300 and mention you are part of Havelock United Methodist or call Pastor Chuck at 402-499-9848)
- Foodnet & Northeast Family Services: (Providing food for those in need) Tuesdays at 4:30 pm
- Esther's Closet: (Providing clothing for those in need) Call for times 466-6736
- 12 Step Recovery Groups: Call for times 466-6736

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL AGES

QUESTIONS? Call Pastor Chuck 402-499-9848



17 1 2 18 9:00 Fellowship Coffee 6:30 - 8:30 Narcotics Anonymous 9:30 Morning Worship 3 10:45 Sunday School for all Ages 9:00 Fellowship Coffee 5:00 - 7:00 Fall Festival Dinner 9:30 Morning Worship 7:00 AA CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 5 20 5:00 Foodnet 7:00 AA 7:00 Five Practices of Fruitful 5:00 Foodnet Congregations 21 7 22 8 23 9:00 - 3:30 Home School 9:00 - 3:00 Home School 6:30 - 8:30 Narcotics Anonymous 6:30 - 8:30 Narcotics Anonymous 24 8:00 - 2:00 Garage Sale 10 25 9:00 Fellowship Coffee 11 9:00 Fellowship Coffee 9:30 Morning Worship 10:45 Kick-Off to Fall Brunch 9:30 Morning Worship 10:45 Sunday School for all Ages 26 7:00 AA 12 7:00 AA 27 5:00 Foodnet 13 5:00 Foodnet 7:00 Five Practices of Fruitful 14 6:30 UMW General Meeting Congregations 28 16 9:00 - 3:30 Home School 29 6:30 - 8:30 Narcotics Anonymous 30 9:00 - 3:30 Home School 6:30 - 8:30 Narcotics Anonymous

> USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER

Nancy Ess

Beth Honnen

Leona Frerichs

Nancy King