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HOLY WEEK

March 29th, Palm Sunday: Service will begin with children carrying palms, celebrating Jesus' entry into the city. A time to meditate on the events to come during Holy Week.

April 2nd, Maundy Thursday: Service at 6:30 p.m., Eagle United Methodist Church.

April 3rd, Good Friday: Prayer Vigil will be observed in the chapel from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sign-up sheet will be in the narthex.

April 3rd, Good Friday: Worship service at 6:30 p.m. in our sanctuary.

April 5th, Easter Sunday service at 9:30 a.m. The youth will assist during worship service. We will once again have the Flowering of the Cross. Come and celebrate the resurrection of Jesus so that he might live today in the joy and power of a Living Savior.

PALM SUNDAY POTLUCK DINNER

Following the morning worship service, Sunday, March 29th, please join us in the fellowship hall for a potluck dinner. Please bring a dish to share. Maybe your favorite Easter brunch or dinner dish. Drinks and dinnerware will be provided. There will be good food and wonderful fellowship!

EASTER VISITATION

The names for visitation for homebound members will be available in the narthex. Time and love shared by you will be a gift of hope and joy this Easter. Brighten someone's day and you will be rewarded as well. A few minutes of your time will be greatly appreciated.

HAVELOCK METHODIST CHURCH 1920 to 1950

From the beginning in 1890, Havelock Methodist Church enjoyed growing membership into the 1920's. A disastrous railroad strike occurred in July of 1922. Every facet of community life was adversely affected. In 1929, the stock market crash began a period of depression and unemployment. The Burlington Shops were shut down for seven months, leaving 600 workers without jobs. Adding to the depression, a drought left the farming area without crops.

In September of 1930, the Ladies Aid rented a concession stand at the Nebraska State Fair and served lunch. This activity provided funds to keep the church active. Each year, a different better and bigger stand was rented. In the 1940's, Dr. Frisbie, a State 4-H leader, suggested the women rent a larger unit and serve a "balanced meal" to 4-H members. A kitchen stove and large cooking utensils were obtained from the Lancaster County Poor Farm, which had just been closed. With the newer, bigger facility, more hands were needed to serve the dinners. More men were needed to help with the heavy work load. Some men took vacation time to work the week during the fair. This work continued from 1930 until 1968. At that time with the decision to discontinue, the State Fair management had the building razed. We still have members who remember working at the State Fair concession stand.

During the early days, the church maintained a large Sunday school. The church basement was divided by curtains into classrooms and grade school groups. At one time, attendance reached 300. The Brotherhood Class met until the 1950's. There was also a Women's Class, Sisterhood Class, Friendly Class and later the Wesley Class was organized for both men and women.

The summer of 1930, Rev. F.M. Druliner organized the first Bible school. The program consisted of Bible stories, children's hymns and recesses with games. A

cooperative Bible school was held with Havelock Christian Church some summers, which provided more teachers, "cool" rooms to use and more music.

The Ladies Aid and the foreign Missionary Society were reorganized February 11, 1940 and became the Women's Society of Christian Service. The organization of 70 members was divided into four groups, each with a number. Names were later chosen for the groups. Business and professional women formed a Wesleyan Service Guild, which later became a part of the WSCS.

Next month we will review the late 1940's and into the 1950's and the new church built in 1952.

FLOWERS

The following dates are still open on the flower calendar: April 12, 26, May 31, July 12, August 2, 23, September 6, 13, 20, and 27.

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

COOKBOOKS

125th Anniversary Cookbooks are still available. We are selling them for \$9.00 each. They make a nice gift for someone who loves to cook. The books are available on Sunday mornings and in the church office during the week.

DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO ...

The congregation extends its Christian love and sincere sympathy to the family of Lorraine Hindman.

Lorraine passed away on February 1st. Her funeral service was held on February 16th.

4th OF JULY – 2015 WHITE ELEPHANT TABLE

Please save your special garage sale leftovers and any other small items (no clothes, furniture or food items) for the white elephant table. The items can be brought

to the church at any time. Cash donations would also be appreciated.

YOUTH NEWS

The youth helped the church with the lunch that was served at the craft fair on March 7th. Some of the youth also helped the United Methodist Women at the soup supper that was held on March 16th. The Sunday school class was invited to attend "This Day of Resurrection" at Southview Baptist Church and went to the performance on March 29th. They also will be participating in the Easter service on April 5th.

God bless everyone during this season of new beginnings.

UNITED METHODIST MEN

Thanks to all the men who were at our last meeting, it was productive and an enjoyable morning. It was agreed that starting on March 18th, the ceiling in the Fellowship Hall will be cleaned, painted and made ready for installing the new ceiling tiles on March 21st. I appreciate all the efforts of everyone who will be helping with this project. The lights were cleaned recently and bulbs replaced which really made a big difference. We are currently getting proposals for carpeting the stage area and replacing some of the old light fixtures as needed. We are excited to see the project completed and be ready for the 125th celebration and all the other activities using the area. Looking forward to working with you! Gary Ehlers

DIAPER DEPOT

The first Sunday of each month we will be collecting diapers, wipes and Desitin ointment for Diaper Depot. The box will be placed in the narthex on Sunday, April 5th. Also, monetary donations will be accepted.

FOODNET

Foodnet is in need of any kind of glass jars with lids. They also would like any kind of plastic containers with lids.

These items can be left in the kitchen.

TRUSTEE COMMITTEE

The Trustee Committee with the help of many continues to work on normal maintenance items and repairs as needed. The committee recently approved and repaired the two stained glass windows which were located in the rooms beside the choir seating and behind the organ area in the sanctuary. These two windows were badly bowed and breaking apart, and needing repaired before they were unrepairable and lost. We are discussing, placing them in a lighted cabinet (like the others displayed in the church) to determine if someone would like to sponsor a window and have their name placed on the cabinet as a remembrance or celebration. The cost of displaying the windows is still being reviewed and will be available later. The committee is asking for your comments and suggestions on where the windows can be displayed. We are also reviewing the cost to update the main sound system in the Sanctuary and Narthex. The current system is very old, and can be a challenge to hear the minister and anyone using it. We hope to have new information and a proposal in the next few weeks. Last, we are beginning to see some of our neighbor's bats due to their current construction project. Please let us know if you see any activity and we will make sure to send them back home. Please let anyone on the committee know if there are any items we have neglected to address and should be considering in the future for you, and we all appreciate your support. Gary Ehlers

THANK YOU

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

Thanks so much for the prayers and cards Barbara received.

Lonnie Peterson and Stolzer Family

I want to thank everyone for your prayers, visits and cards while I was in the hospital and rehab. It was very rewarding to know of your concern. I'm home now trying to get stronger. Thank you for your PRAYERS. God Bless! Lou Garlow

4th WEDNESDAY

COMMUNITY SUPPER

Each 4th Wednesday of the month, the Havelock Church offers a free community meal for all those in our community as a way to get to know one another. Our next dinner will be on April 22nd from 5:00-6:30 p.m.

Come enjoy the food and the company. Everyone is welcome!

ALL LADIES OF THE CHURCH

The Havelock United Methodist Women would like to extend an open invitation to all of the ladies, young women and girls to join us by attending our Spring Brunch on Saturday, May 2nd at 10:00 a.m. in the Friendship Parlor. Mary Ann Bede will be our guest speaker. Please call Doris Smith at 402-489-3281 if you would like to attend. Should you need transportation, please let Doris know that as well.

CIRCLE MEETINGS

PRISCILLA – Thursday, April 23rd, 10:00 a.m.
Church Library
Program – Betty Younkin
Hostess – Carol Peterson

ESTHR – Saturday, April 18th, 8:30 a.m.
Lulu's Lunchery, 3939 North 48th St

RUTH – Tuesday, April 28th, 7:00 p.m.
5733 Kearney
Program – Carolyn Gier
Hostess – Laura Pape

FELLOWSHIP COFFEE

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

**THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE
CLOSED MONDAY, APRIL 6TH.**

APRIL

- 1
- 2 6:30 Maundy Thursday Service (Eagle UMC)
- 3 8-6 Prayer Vigil
6:30 Good Friday Service
6:30 Narcotics Anonymous
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- 5 9:00 Fellowship Coffee
9:30 Morning Worship
- 6 **CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**
7:00 AA
- 7 8:00-8:00 Primary Election
- 8 5:00 Foodnet
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- 10 6:30-8:30 Narcotics Anonymous
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- 12 8:15 Trustees
9:00 Fellowship Coffee
9:30 Morning Worship
10:45 Sunday school
- 13 7:00 AA
- 14 5:00 Foodnet
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- 16
- 17 6:30-8:30 Narcotics Anonymous
- 18 8:30 Esther Circle
- 19 9:00 Fellowship Coffee
9:30 Morning Worship
10:45 MYF
- 20 9:00 Deadline for News
7:00 AA
- 21 5:00 Foodnet
7:00 Administrative Board
- 22 4th Wednesday Dinner
- 23 10:00 Priscilla Circle
- 24 9:00 Hav-O-Gram Issued
6:30-8:30 Narcotics Anonymous
- 25 9:00 UMM Breakfast
- 26 9:00 Fellowship Coffee
9:30 Morning Worship
10:45 Sunday school
- 27 7:00 AA
- 28 5:00 Foodnet
7:00 Ruth Circle
- 29
- 30

FOODNET

All over the country communities are realizing that a terrible disparity is occurring. People are going hungry while, at the same time, record amounts of food are being thrown away!

In 1985, here in Lincoln, Nebraska one man saw this problem first hand as he watched people digging in the garbage behind a restaurant for something to eat. The concerned onlooker joined with 2 other men to create FOODNET! Thirty (30) years later our all-volunteer organization is working away still, to connect the need with the supply.

Thank-you for providing a place for us to distribute food to our neighbors. Your goodwill in 2014 helped us serve 103,765, and feed 283,253 people at 21 sites in Lincoln, Crete, Denton, Seward and Millford, NE., and kept tons of food out of the landfill.

We at FOODNET depend on your support to make our community the vital place it is, and we appreciate your contribution.

The Foodnet Board

FINANCIAL REPORT

As of March 8, 2015

Total budget receipts from all sources =
\$16,653.65

Total needed for same period = \$21,250

Finance has had to remove \$4,700 from savings to cover expenses during this period.

Only 38 members have given since January 1st.

Average given was \$121.50 per member per month