

HAVELOCK UMC NEWSLETTER

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LIFESONG

Dear Friends in Christ,

Jesus said, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?” John 11:25-26 How would you answer Jesus’ question? I believe that the way we answer this question makes all the difference to our lives now and for eternity. This April, we will be celebrating once more the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. We’ll remember his triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, April 14th with children and adults waving palms with songs of praise, and then Jesus’ suffering and death on Good Friday, April 19th, 7 p.m. service, with a special solo of the song “Watch the Lamb”, written by Ray Boltz and describing what it might have been like for a family to come to Jerusalem to sacrifice a lamb, and finding them in the midst of the crucifixion of the Lamb of God. Then, on Easter Sunday, we’ll have very special music, and joyous songs of praise to our risen Lord. Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Because He lives, you and I can live too, really live. We don’t have to keep hurting and destroying one another. We don’t have to live in fear and selfish sin. We can be raised with Christ to new life and find a joy that will keep us singing God’s praise forever.

What will happen after Easter for you? Will life get back to “normal” with no special relationship with God? Why not keep the excitement of Jesus’ resurrection going? Join a Sunday School, Bible Study Group and grow closer to Jesus and to other followers of Jesus. Keep the action going—acts of devotion, acts of worship, acts of compassion, acts of justice. Sign up for a Walk to Emmaus

and deepen your walk with Jesus. Go on a Volunteers in Mission trip and use your God-given gifts to help others. There will be opportunities to help people recover from the devastating floods here in Nebraska. Volunteer for a mission around here. Come alive with Jesus!

Let’s sing a lifesong of praise to God for raising Jesus and us from death this April.

Love in Christ, Pastor Todd

HOLY WEEK

April 14th, Palm Sunday – This is a good time to reflect, meditate and rejoice on the events Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem brought about.

April 19th, Good Friday Prayer Vigil in the Chapel, will be from 8 am. To 5 pm. A sign-up sheet is on the Welcome Center.

April 19th, Good Friday service will be observed at 7 pm. in the sanctuary. A special word in song will help us to focus on the Lamb who died for us on the cross.

April 21st, Easter Sunday – Flowering of the Cross - Come and celebrate Christ’s resurrection. May this service and Pastor Todd’s message help all of us to keep Jesus alive today and forever in our hearts and in how we live daily.

4th of JULY

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.

PALM SUNDAY POTLUCK DINNER

Following the morning worship service, Sunday April 14th, please join us in the Fellowship Hall for a potluck dinner. Please bring a dish to share. Maybe our favorite Easter brunch or dinner dish. Drinks and dinnerware will be provided. There will be good food and wonderful fellowship!

FLOWERS

The following dates are still open on the flower calendar: April 7, May 5, 26, June 9, 16, July 14, 28, August 18, September 1, 8, 15, 29 and November 10.

If you would like to provide flowers, please sign the Flower Calendar in the lobby on a date which has not been reserved.

DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO ...

The congregation extends its Christian love and sincere sympathy to the families of Daniel (Dan) Damewood and Loetta (Lou) Garlow.

Dan passed away on February 18th. His funeral service was held in the sanctuary on February 22nd. Lou passed away on March 1th. Her funeral service was held on March 14th.

SPRING CLEAN UP APRIL 13th

The Trustees Committee has decided to do our annual spring cleaning of the church on April 13th at 9 am. We will be cleaning and polishing up the Narthex, Sanctuary, Restrooms on both floors, Balcony, Friendship Parlor and the Fellowship Hall. We are looking for volunteers to dust, vacuum and other general duties nothing too strenuous. Come and help "spiffy up" HUMC or just come for some fellowship. And just in case you are one of those people that need a little boost in the morning, breakfast, coffee and juice will be served. See you on Saturday, April 13th.

THANK YOU

We would like to thank everyone for their prayers and positive thoughts, along with the many get well cards, flowers, food, and visits during our illnesses. It's hard to explain how welcome and appreciated they all were. Dorothy and I feel truly blessed to have you all as our friends and supporters. Thank you again!!

Gary & Dorothy Ehlers

The HUMC Trustee Committee would like to thank EVERYONE who volunteered and helped with the 1st Annual HUMC Chili Cook-off Contest.

Thanks to all of you. The event was a huge success and we exceeded our expectations. What a blessing! Money that was raised is going to the general budget.

Congratulations to our winners: 1st place winner honors went to Leona Frerichs, 2nd place to Beth Honnen and our 3rd place winners were Connie Vogt, sons Frank & Bobby along with Max Brochtrup for their flaming hot chili!

Thank you to our judges Eddie Dowd from 10/11, Shane Zimmerman Head Football Coach at Lincoln Northeast, Pastor Neal Anthony from United Lutheran Church, United Methodist District Superintendent Bill Ritter and Jeremie from O.V.E.R. (Operation Veterans Encouraging Recovery). Also a very special Thank You to our Ignite Praise Band who sounded fantastic and provided great music that was enjoyed by everyone!

UMW NEWS

BAKELESS BAKE SALE

This is a reminder that all circles will be collecting for the Bakeless Bake Sale at their April Meeting.

CIRCLE MEETINGS

ESTHER – Sat., April 20th, 8:30 a.m.
Panera Bread

PRISCILLA – Thur., April 25th, 10:00 a.m.
Room #4
Program – Nancy Ess
Hostess – Rosemary Bryant

RUTH - Tue., April 23rd, 10:00 a.m.
Mahoney Manor
Program – Lois Spencer
Hostess – Lois Spencer

FLOOD BUCKETS

Havelock United Methodist Church will be collecting flood buckets to be used in the areas affected by the floods. Items being collected for flood buckets to assist in the clean-up effort are listed below. The Items are very specific and we encourage you to carefully select these items only. If you have questions regarding the buckets, you may call Pastor Todd, 402-480-1669.

What we need to collect:

Five gallon round bucket with re-sealable lid
No screw lids
May be used but must be free from all residual product
May have advertisements on the outside

One 32-64 oz. bottle of laundry detergent

One 16-40 oz. bottle liquid concentrate household cleaner – No spray cleaners

One 16-34 oz. bottle dish soap

One 4-8 oz. pump spray air freshener (three solid or three gel fresheners also acceptable)

One 6-14 oz. pump spray insect repellent (pack of 10-20 wipes also acceptable)

One scrub brush (with or without handle)

18 reusable cleaning wipes
No terry cloth, microfiber or paper towels
Remove from packaging

Five scouring pads sponges
No stainless-steel pads with soap in them
Remove from packaging

36-50 clothespins

One 50-100 foot clothesline (cloth or plastic)

24 roll of heavy duty trash bags (35-45 gallon sizes)

5 NSB particulate respirator dust masks (1-3 thickness) No surgical masks

2 pairs of kitchen gloves – Durable for multiple uses – Remove from packaging

One pair work gloves – Cotton with leather palm or all weather

Important Notes:

All items must be new with the exception of the bucket and lid

All cleaning agents must be liquid form, no powders are accepted

If items are omitted from buckets, label the buckets and what is missing

No messages may be placed on the buckets

No other items may be placed in the bucket

FELLOWSHIP COFFEE

Join us for coffee and refreshments before worship on Sunday mornings in room #4.

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 is April 24th, from 5:00-6:30 p.m. A basket for a free will donation will be available.

Bring a friend and join your neighbors for this time of fun and fellowship. Everyone is welcome!

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 7th. Also, monetary donations are welcome.

APRIL

- 1 7:00 AA
- 2 5:00 FoodNet
- 3 6:00 Handbells
7:00 Trustees
- 4
- 5
- 6 3:00-5:00 Movie Matinee
- 7 9:30 Fellowship Coffee
9:30 Sunday School
11:00 Morning Worship
11:00 Sunday School - Children
- 8 5:00 FoodNet
7:00 AA
- 9 8:00-8:00 Lincoln City Election
- 10 6:00 Handbells
7:00 Finance Committee
- 11
- 12
- 13 9:00 Spring Clean-Up
- 14 9:30 Fellowship Coffee
9:30 Sunday School
11:00 Morning Worship
11:00 Sunday School – Children
12:00 Potluck Dinner
- 15 7:00 AA
- 16 5:00 FoodNet
- 17 6:00 Handbells
7:00 Administrative Board

- 18
- 19 8:00-5:00 Prayer Vigil
7:00 Good Friday Service
- 20 8:30 Esther Circle
- 21 9:30 Fellowship Coffee
9:30 Sunday School
11:00 Morning Worship
11:00 Sunday School - Children
- 22 **CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**
7:00 AA
- 23 9:30 Deadline For News
10:00 Ruth Circle
5:00 FoodNet
- 24 5:00-6:30 4th Wednesday Community Dinner
6:00 Handbells
- 25 10:00 Priscilla Circle
- 26
- 27
- 28 9:30 Fellowship Coffee
9:30 Sunday School
11:00 Morning Worship
11:00 Sunday School – Children
2:00 O.V.E.R.
- 29 7:00 AA
- 30 5:00 FoodNet