

HAVELOCK UMC NEWSLETTER

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LIFESONG

Dear Friends in Christ, God is placing on my heart the training of Disciples of Jesus Christ. My Prayer is that we help each other follow Jesus. On August 18th we'll begin a series called Alpha. Alpha is the first letter in the Greek alphabet, the language of the New Testament. Alpha focuses on the basics of Christianity, the why I believe what I believe. It features a former atheist Nicky Gumble, who understands the questions we have about our basic beliefs. Questions like "Who is Jesus Christ? Why did Jesus have to die?" "If God is so holy, why is there so much suffering in the world?" The symbol of Alpha is the question mark. There are no dumb questions. Everyone is treated with respect. Alpha is a fun night with a free supper, a DVD presentation that will make you laugh and cry and think more deeply about your faith. This is followed by group discussion where questions are encouraged.

John Wesley developed a great way for people to be accountable to each other in truly following Jesus day by day, week by week. I want to encourage you to take this course, and more than that to pray for God to lead you into following the greatest human who ever lived, the only human who created all humans, Jesus Christ our Lord. August is a great month to get back to attending church, get into a Sunday School class, start a Bible Study, get into habits of reading the Bible and praying every day.

Let's sing a lifesong of following Jesus this August.

Love in Christ,

Pastor Todd

HAVELOCK UMC TO HOST A FUNDRAISER FOR LULU'S

On Monday, August 26 Havelock UMC will host a Pasta Bar Buffet in support of the Community Meals Program at LuLu's on N. There will be your choice of Pasta and Sauce, Macaroni and Cheese for the kids, Garlic Bread and plenty of Dessert. A Free Will Offering will be accepted. The hours will be from 5-7 p.m.

For more information, please contact Karen Lamb at 403-540-8532 or lulusonst@gmail.com

'YEE HAW'

Our Bible School has been another fun, exciting and wonderful time. We had a small group but because of our dedicated God caring team we brought "God" and "Jesus" into our children's lives.

All our children enjoyed, skits, balloons, confetti, games and crafts.

In our crafts we made small toys for little children and we also made packages of dried soup mix and the children were able to take it home to share with their families.

The preschool children made horses out of brown paper plates and crosses.

The stories were about God's Great Gift "Jesus" and lots of music.

Before we started Bible School we had graham cracker treats. For lunch we had hot dogs, chips, juice and cake.

After the program everyone enjoyed snow cones.

Special thanks to Chris Plock for making us the video to share with the congregation.

I want to thank our Bible School team for giving your time and love to our children.

Thanks to the church team for making a beautiful Bible School!

Robert & Rhonda Sanford, Julie Burt, Perry Picotte, Chris & Kristen Plock, Jennifer Bridgmon, Pastor Todd & Dianne Karges, Pati Hughes, Cameron Miller, Claire Carter, Kamryn Plock, Leona Frerichs, Sandy Carlson, Kristin, Sanford, Geigh Zollicoffer, Bob Lamb and Addie Criswell.

“God Gives Good Gifts”
Gloria Coil

FLOWERS

The following dates are still open on the flower calendar: August 18th, September 1st & 8th.

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

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Jonathon Borer and Audrey Briley who were united in marriage on June 29, in the sanctuary.

THANK YOU

The 4th of July Committee would like to thank the congregation for all their donations and help with the 16th annual block party. Without you it wouldn’t have been a success. Also thanks to the Praise Band for the wonderful music. Thanks again to all.

FELLOWSHIP COFFEE

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

EARLY RESPONSE TEAM TRAINING

August 10, 8:30 am – 4 pm
First UMC Columbus, Ne
2710 14th Street, Columbus

Learn where we are involved, what is a disaster how do we prepare for a disaster, what we can do when a disaster strikes, how the disaster response plan is activated, and how to be a caring presence in communities facing disaster recover. You will also be taught how we avoid harming the recovery process for individuals.

You will also learn about the roles Early Response Teams play in the early days after a disaster:

- Provide a Christian presence, be a part of the caring ministry of “Listeners”
- Take steps to prevent further damage to a family’s personal property: tarps, flood clean-out, debris removal
- Help manage donated materials, gather information, or do other things needed in the community
- Observe survivor’s needs and report those to the local disaster operations

Included in the ERT training is an UMCOR Verified Volunteers background check.

Everyone attending a training is required to complete this training. Great Plains Annual Conference policy is that for all overnight trips, Safe Gatherings is required, so **ERT’s are required to obtain both Verified Volunteers and Safe Gatherings** in order to be able to respond in a time of disaster. **ERT’s** must be able to respond with little advance notice, putting personal plans on hold when the call to respond

comes your way.

ERT Registration fee of \$25 covers course materials, lunch and instructor travel costs. Safe Gatherings assessment needs to be completed before training date, fee of \$35.

<https://safegatherings.com/app/registration>

Everyone attending must bring a laptop or smartphone to the training.

GREAT PLAINS 2019 UMVIM TRAINING

When: August 24, 2019

Where: First UMC Columbus Fellowship Hall, 2710 14th St.

Columbus, NE

Time: 9 am-12:30 pm

Registration Link: <https://gp-reg.brtaapp.com/VolunteerinMissionTraining2019>

Training will be led by Mercy and Justice Coordinator, **Rev. Kalaba Chali**. Chali brings an amount of cross-cultural skills, local and international mission experiences and a mature faith in Jesus Christ.

The Great Plains United Methodist Volunteer in Mission Training is aimed at equipping resourcing passionate VIM team leaders and outreach leaders to lead mission experiences domestically and internationally. The training comprises of three parts:

Part 1: Mission Theology as part of Intentional Discipleship Path

This section engages the biblical call to mission, the contemporary and how mission engagement is part of making, growing and maturing disciples.

Part 11: Mission Volunteer Leadership and Long-Term Development Strategy

This section addresses the challenges of engaging in mission experiences in ways that explore

projects that lead to self-sustaining solutions among the local people. The focus is on equipping team leaders with tools to move from transactional mentality in mission and outreach to transforming solutions that can be sustained by the local resources.

Part 111: Mission Volunteer and Contextualization

This section focuses on specific mission contexts where team leaders plan to take their teams, local and international.

SIGN-UP FOR ALPHA TODAY!

ALPHA begins with supper on August 18th at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please call the church office, 402-466-6736 or Pastor Todd, 402-480-1669 to register. You will be strengthened in your faith. Bring a friend, especially if they have questions about Christianity.

4th WEDNESDAY COMMUNITY SUPPER

Please note change of date to the third Wednesday in the month for August. 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 **August 21st** 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, August 4th. Also, monetary donations are welcome.

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4 9:00 Sunday School
9:00 Fellowship Coffee
10:00 Morning Worship
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6 5:00 FoodNet
7 7:00 Trustees
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11 9:00 Sunday School
9:00 Fellowship Coffee
10:00 Morning Worship
12 7:00 UMW Executive Committee
7:00 AA
13 5:00 FoodNet
14 7:00 Committee on Finance
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17 8:30 Esther Circle

18 9:00 Sunday School
9:00 Fellowship Coffee
10:00 Morning Worship
11:15 Outreach
5:30 Alpha
19 9:30 Deadline For News
7:00 AA
20 5:00 FoodNet
21 5:00-6:30 Community Dinner
7:00 Administrative Board
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25 9:00 Sunday School
9:00 Fellowship Coffee
10:00 Morning Worship
2:00 OVER
5:30 Alpha
26 5:00-7:00 Fund Raising for LuLu's
7:00 AA
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