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LIFESONG

“Fear not, for I am with you. Be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you. I will help you. I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.” Isaiah 41: 10

Are you afraid today? Maybe you wouldn't admit it to anyone, but somewhere deep inside, you may be worried that some crazy person is going to push the nuclear bomb button, or send a deadly disease through the air or water system that cannot be cured. Maybe your fears are more personal, like the fear of losing a spouse, a child, a job, and the list goes on and on. Is there any hope for the fears we are facing?

In the Bible, there is already recorded over 3000 promises that have been fulfilled by God. I am believing that God will keep His promises, and God promises that no matter what happens to us, God will be with us. “I will be with you to the close of the age.” Matthew 28:20 The God who created the vastness of the universe is bigger than any fear you and I may have or ever will have. Even if everything we see now is completely destroyed and all of us are killed, God will still be with us, and God has great plans for us; plans for a future and a hope, (Jeremiah 29:11), plans for everlasting life (John 3:16), plans for “every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, redemption through his blood, forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us.” (Ephesians 1)

Do not fear! God is here!! And God is going to win every battle in the end. Jesus said, “I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But

take heart; I have overcome the world.” John 16: 33

Thank you God that you are bigger than any fear I may have today and forever! In Jesus' name. Amen.

Look for information in this Have-o-gram on the Trunk-or-Treat event coming to our church this October.

Let's sing a lifesong of faith in our Almighty God this October.

Love in Christ,
Pastor Todd

TRUNK-OR-TREAT

This year's Halloween Trunk-or-Treat is on Sunday, October 31st from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. We are asking for donations of candy and snack cakes. A sign-up sheet will be available on the welcome center in the narthex for those wanting to decorate their trunk and hand out candy. Please contact Luetta Sinner with any questions. Let's make this event a memorable celebration!

THANK YOU!

Thank you for the thoughts, prayers, cards, and gifts during my hospital stay.

Thank you for the thoughts, prayers, and cards for the passing away of Chris's step mom. We appreciate your love and support.

The Plock Family,
Chris, Kristen, and Kamryn

COMMUNITY SUPPER

The next 4th Wednesday Community Supper will be held on Wednesday, October 27th from 5:00-6:00 p.m.

This will be a grab-n-go meal. Please enter from Morrill & 61st Street, drive SOUTH on parking area to EAST door.

FLOWERS

The 2021 Flower Calendar has been placed by the church office. If you would like to furnish flowers for the worship services you may sign up on Sunday mornings or call the church office, 402-466-6736.

HURRICANE RELIEF OFFERING

In response to the extreme winds and flooding caused by Hurricane Ida, a Category 4 storm that made landfall on the U.S. gulf coast on August 29, UMCOR remains in prayer for the many states and communities that were in its path.

UMCOR is in coordination with conference disaster response coordinators to assess the scale of damage and has awarded grants to the Louisiana and Mississippi conferences to support initial emergency relief efforts.

A basket has been placed next to the offering plate in the narthex for donations for Hurricane Ida relief. You can visit the website <https://www.greatplainsumc.org/newsdetail/donate-now-to-help-people-impacted-by-hurricane-ida-15403626> to donate, or a check can be mailed to the church with "Hurricane Ida Relief" in the memo line. Please remember that 100% of your donation reaches your chosen mission project or ministry.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Financial update from the Finance Committee thru end of August 2021:

Giving \$80,893.04
Expenses \$91,793.96
Shortage (\$10,900.92)

Giving has increased recently so thank you! You can mail in a check or drop one off using the mailbox in the alley. You can also give online, there's a link on our Facebook page or on our website www.havelockumc.org. And of course if you are attending church you can put it in the offering plate. If you need help setting up online giving please contact Pati Hughes at 402-440-7512. Note we did have a positive cash flow balance from last year so we are current on our bills. Thank you for your support of our church.

Patricia Hughes,
Financial chair

FELLOWSHIP COFFEE

Join us for coffee and refreshments before worship on Sunday mornings in Friendship Parlor at 8:30 am.

SCRIP CARDS MAY BE PURCHASED

If you are interested in buying SCRIP cards contact Pati Hughes at 402-440-7512. Pati will either deliver the SCRIP cards to your home or you can pick them up at Pati's house. We are again selling the SCRIP cards on Sunday morning in the East hall.

**THE SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER ISSUE
OF THE UPPER ROOM IS NOW
AVAILABLE BY THE FOOD CART.**

IN OUR PRAYERS

Please let the church office know if there has been a birth, baptism, marriage, illness, or death in your family that you would like to share. Let us know if someone is hospitalized or needs our prayers. If you would like immediate prayers for the individual call, the church office (402-466-6736) or Beth Honnen (402-466-5722) we will initiate the Prayer Chain.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY OFFERING OCTOBER 3, 2021

According to the 1972 Book of Discipline paragraph 163.b there shall be a World Communion (formerly Fellowship of Suffering and Service) offering to support the division of chaplains and ministries, Crusade Scholarships and the scholarship fund for minority groups.

Around the globe, countless gifted and qualified people face financial obstacles that hinder them from preparing for the vocation God has given them, especially youth and young adults. For ethnic students who will be the first generation in their families to attend college, or for those people of color who haven't historically had access to resources that make higher education possible, the road toward education has often been unwieldy.

What would it look like if the church today imitated Jesus' affirmation of the full dignity and God-given potential of all women and men—especially those who've historically been assigned to the world's margins? On World Communion Sunday your giving helps to provide scholarships for national and international graduate students whom God has gifted to learn and to serve.

HOLY HUMOR

Q: Which Bible character was the best musician?

A: Samson—he brought the house down

OCTOBER CALENDAR

1	7:00 pm AA
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3	8:30 am Fellowship Coffee 8:45 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Morning Worship
4	7:00 pm AA
5	4:30 pm FoodNet
6	7:00 pm Trustees meeting
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8	7:00 pm AA
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10	8:30 am Fellowship Coffee 8:45 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Morning Worship 11:00 am Outreach meeting
11	7:00 pm AA
12	4:30 pm FoodNet
13	7:00 pm Finance meeting
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15	7:00 pm AA
16	8:30 am Esther Circle
17	8:30 am Fellowship Coffee 8:45 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Morning Worship
18	7:00 pm AA
19	4:30 pm FoodNet
20	7:00 pm Ad Board meeting
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22	7:00 pm AA
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24	8:30 am Fellowship Coffee 8:45 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Morning Worship
25	7:00 pm AA
26	4:30 pm FoodNet
27	5:00 pm 4 th Wednesday Community Supper
28	10:00 am Priscilla Circle
29	7:00 pm AA
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31	8:30 am Fellowship Coffee 8:45 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Morning Worship 2:00 pm Trunk-or-Treat