

# HAVE-O-GRAM



## *LOVING PRESENCE*



“Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord, your God is with you wherever you go.” (Joshua 1:9, NRSV)

In this passage, God renews the covenant He had made with Moses in the past and encourages Joshua. Moses, the great spiritual and political leader of Israel, has passed away. However, history does not come to a standstill because God is ever alive. God now calls upon Joshua to fulfill His covenant with Israel.

God not only entrusts Joshua with the responsibility and privilege of establishing God’s kingdom, but He also promises to remain by his side, offering guidance and assistance. In the same way, the responsibility and privilege of faith are passed down through generations under God's guidance. We, too, have received the responsibility and privilege of faith from our parents' generation, and God continues to support us in carrying out these responsibilities and passing them on to the next generation.

History unfolds according to God’s divine plan. Despite the ever-changing world, God remains constant and eternal, ensuring that His will is fulfilled. Our forefathers of faith inherited the promises of God's kingdom, and today we live within the scope of those very promises. It is our duty to pass these promises on to our descendants, as God's commitment to our church and all its ministries remains unwavering. God is faithful.

Jesus, in His promise to us, says, “I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever.” (John 14:16) The Holy Spirit is presently with us, aiding and guiding us on our journey of faith. Let us not forget that we have the constant help of the Holy Spirit. We are never alone; God is with us now, and His presence is our ultimate source of strength.

We currently live in a world gripped by the fear of death due to the ongoing wars and natural disasters. It can be easy to lose sight of our divine responsibilities and privileges of faith. Nevertheless, God is still with us, assisting us to serve as leaders and servants in His ministry, just as He has done for generations of faith before us. God desires to use us to transform the world into His kingdom, and now is the time for His work. However, we must also remember our obligation to pass on the responsibilities and privileges of faith for His kingdom to the next generation.

Let us always remember that, like Joshua, we can witness God’s works through the eyes of faith. His light continues to shine upon us.

In the words of Paul, “Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.” (1 Timothy 6:12)

May we faithfully live the lives given to us by God, never losing courage or hope due to our circumstances. We are at the center of His wonderful plan for salvation, healing, and eternal joy in God’s heavenly kingdom.

Blessings,  
Kyu

## DISASTER RESPONSE FUND

The Great Plains Conference Disaster Response Fund is currently at a critically low level. Bishop David Wilson and Rev. Hollie Tapley, the conference's disaster response coordinator, shared a request for a special offering and donations. If you are able to donate to this cause, please mark your offering envelope as "Disaster Relief" and put it in the offering plate. Offerings may also be mailed to the church or given directly to the church office.

Thank you!



## YOUNG ADULTS GATHERING

Our next young adults gathering will be on Sunday, November 19th at 5:00 pm in the friendship parlor. This month will be a "favorite Thanksgiving food" potluck, so please plan to bring your favorite dish to share. If you are between the ages of 20ish – 59ish, we would love for you to attend and bring a friend!



## CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES



Shoeboxes are due back to the church on or before November 5th.

We are partnering with Samaritan's Purse again this year, to pack shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child! Please see the display in the narthex and take your shoeboxes home. Our goal is for every member of the congregation to pack at least one shoebox!

Since 1993, God has used Samaritan's Purse to deliver over 200 million Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts to children in need. In this time, over 50 million children have been disciplined as well! Please help us spread the love of God and help brighten a child's Christmas this holiday season.



## COOKBOOKS

Christmas is coming, and so are the cookbooks!



Be on the lookout for more details coming soon. Please see Sandy Carlson or Nancy King-Gardner if you have any questions. All proceeds will go to the church general budget.

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

PATRICIA HUGHES - TREASURER

Financial update from the Finance Committee for the year thru September 2023.

Year to Date Figures:

Giving: \$101,528.61

Savings: \$18,000.00

Total: \$119,528.61

Expenses: \$123,554.12

Shortage: (\$4,025.51)



We did have to take out a total of \$18,000.00 out of saving to cover payroll amounts for the year.

We did get a nice \$5,000.00 donation from OVER in the month of October, so we do have a good cash balance.

We continue to be concerned about our finances. We need to look at ways to reduce expenses or increase giving. Please remember you can mail a check into the church or drop one off using the mailbox in the alley. You can give online, looking for the updated link on our Facebook page or you can go to our website at [www.havelockumc.org](http://www.havelockumc.org).

Of course, if you're attending church, you can put it in the offering. Please contact me at (402) 440-7512 if you have any questions or need help setting up your online giving.

The next Last Wednesday

Community Supper will be held on Wednesday, November 29 from 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm. This will be a grab-and-go meal.



Please join us for coffee and refreshments every Sunday:

- In the Friendship Parlor at 9:00 am
- In the narthex immediately following our morning worship service



If you are interested in buying SCRIP cards contact Pati Hughes at 402-440-7512 for delivery or pick-up options. You can also purchase the SCRIP cards on Sunday morning in the East hall.

Our church receives a percentage of all sales!



The 2023 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.

**PLEASE KEEP US**

**UPDATED!**

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), Beth Honnen (402-466-5722), or Laura Pape (402-466-6338) and we will initiate the Prayer Chain.

**ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**

Sunday, November 5th is All Saints Sunday. During morning worship, we will have a short program to honor those church members who have passed away in the last 12 months. Please plan to attend to show support for those who have lost loved ones this past year.

**CHARGE CONFERENCE**

Our annual Charge Conference is Sunday, November 12th at 2:00 pm at South Gate UMC - 3500 Pioneers Blvd, Lincoln, NE 68506. All interested members and visitors are encouraged to attend.

**HANGING OF THE GREENS**

Hanging of the greens will be on Sunday, November 26th immediately following worship service. Sign-up sheets are on the welcome center in the narthex for those wanting to bring soup, crackers, sides, or dessert for the luncheon.

**CRAFT FAIR THANK YOU!**

Thank you to everyone who helped organize our Fall Craft & Vendor Fair at HUMC! We raised \$2,147.11 for the church. We could not have done this without so many great volunteers, and we appreciate all of you!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Winter is approaching, so once again we will collect children's stocking hats, mittens or gloves, and socks. The Christmas tree will be set up in the narthex soon! Please place your donations on the tree for the Head Start program!</p>			<p>Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Church Office Closed</p>	<p>AA 7:00 pm</p>	
<p>9:00 am Fellowship Coffee 9:00 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Morning Worship 11:00 am Narthex Fellowship 11:00 am Trustees Meeting</p>	<p>AA 7:00 pm</p>	<p>FoodNet 4:30 pm</p>	<p>Finance 6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm</p>		<p>AA 7:00 pm</p>	
<p>9:00 am Fellowship Coffee 9:00 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Morning Worship 11:00 am Narthex Fellowship 2:00 pm Charge Conference</p>	<p>AA 7:00 pm</p>	<p>FoodNet 4:30 pm</p>	<p>Ad Board 6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm</p>		<p>AA 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Esther Circle 8:30 am Panera</p>
<p>9:00 am Fellowship Coffee 9:00 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Morning Worship 11:00 am Narthex Fellowship 5:00 pm Young Adults Gathering</p>	<p>AA 7:00 pm</p>	<p>FoodNet 4:30 pm</p>	<p>Church Office Closed for Thanksgiving</p>	<p>Happy Thanksgiving! FP, FH, and Kitchen reserved 9:00 am - 4:00 pm</p>	<p>AA 7:00 pm</p>	
<p>9:00 am Fellowship Coffee 9:00 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Morning Worship 11:00 am Narthex Fellowship 11:00 am Hanging of the Greens</p>	<p>AA 7:00 pm</p>	<p>FoodNet 4:30 pm</p>	<p>Last Wednesday Supper 5:00 pm</p>		<p>Remember to set your clocks back one hour on Sunday, November 5th!</p>	

**United Methodist Student Day Special Offering ~ Sunday, November 26**

United Methodist Student Day was the original Special Sunday founded by United Methodist Church Sunday Schools who collected offerings to help advance education for their children. The fund was originally established in 1872 as the Children's Fund. Today, United Methodist Student Day Sunday has the same purpose, calling upon the denomination to support their students as they prepare for life by adding knowledge to their faith.