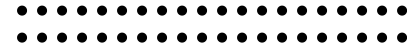


HAVE-O-GRAM



LOVING PRESENCE



Friends,

As we step into the beautiful autumn season, we are reminded of the changing leaves, cooler weather, and the many blessings that surround us daily. October is a time of harvest, both in nature and in our lives. It's a time to reflect on how God has been faithful, providing for our needs and giving us opportunities to be the hands and feet of God in the world.

We believe that living generously is a core part of our walk with Christ. Generosity is more than just financial giving—it's a way of life. Whether we are sharing our time, talents, or resources, generosity reflects God's heart and love for all people.

The Bible speaks powerfully about generosity. In 2 Corinthians 9:6-7, Paul reminds us: "The one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not regretfully or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

God's economy operates differently from the world's. When we give freely, we aren't losing; instead, we are investing in something far greater than ourselves. Living generously draws us closer to God's purpose for our lives and allows us to be part of God's work in transforming the world.

Living generously starts with a heart of gratitude. When we recognize how much we've been given—spiritually, emotionally, and materially—our natural response is to give back. Here are some practical ways we can live generously this October:

1. Give Your Time: There are many opportunities to serve in our church and community. Whether it's volunteering at an outreach event, mentoring a young person, or simply lending a listening ear to someone in need, your time is a gift.
2. Share Your Talents: Each of us has unique abilities that can bless others. Are you good at teaching, cooking, organizing, or leading? Use your gifts to serve both inside and outside the church.
3. Offer Your Resources: For some, living generously may mean financial giving. Whether it's tithing, supporting a specific ministry, or giving to a mission, your contributions make an impact. Remember, no gift is too small when it comes from a place of love.
4. Pray for Others: Never underestimate the power of prayer. Committing to pray for others—both in our church and in the community—is an act of generosity that brings us together in spirit and helps us grow closer to God.

As we give, God promises that we will also receive. While this doesn't always mean material blessings, it does mean that we will experience the fullness of the joy, peace, and provision of God for us. Generosity is not just about the amount we give, but about the posture of our hearts. When we trust God with our resources, God multiplies them in ways we can't even imagine.

This October, let's commit to living generously in every area of our lives. Together, we can build a stronger, more vibrant church community that reflects the heart of Jesus to everyone we encounter.

~ Blessings, Kyu

TRICK OR TREAT

Our Halloween Trunk or Treat will be Sunday, October 27th from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm in the HUMC parking area. At this time we are collecting donations of candy, as well as monetary donations. We are also looking for people to decorate their trunks and hand out their own candy.

Please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the welcome center if you are able to assist!



"PUT YOUR HOUSE IN ORDER" SEMINAR



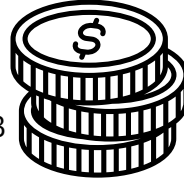
This is your opportunity to learn about planned giving and leaving a legacy! Friday, October 11 from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm at Kearney First UMC in Kearney, NE. If you'd like, you can also meet with an attorney and execute your estate documents, at a discounted rate. Lunch available if you RSVP. RSVP at <https://www.numf.org/RSVP>

FINANCIAL UPDATE

PATRICIA HUGHES - TREASURER

Financial Update thru August 2024

Giving: \$77,536.70
Savings: \$30,742.38
Total: \$108,279.08
Expenses: \$109,766.43
Difference: (\$1,487.35)



Note, all bills were paid for August, except for Pastor Retirement to the conference in the amount of \$2,005.15, as I did not have enough money to pay that. I will note that in September a member gave \$3,000.00 marked to pay 3 months of Pastor Retirement, so now that is caught up to date.

We are struggling again with money in September. We had to withdraw \$3,000.00 from savings. We have \$2,942.38 left in savings.

Note Payroll runs about \$7,250.00 a month, then Pastor Retirement is right at \$1,000.00 a month. Our next biggest expense is Insurance at \$980.00 a month, then it is \$686.00 for Budget on our Gas bill. Our Electric bill is running right at \$920.00.

I wish I had better news, but I want people to be aware of how our financial situation is. We do have the craft fair coming up in October.

The next Last Wednesday Community Supper will be held on Wednesday, October 30th 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!

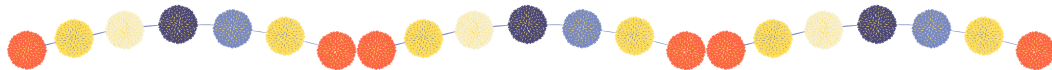
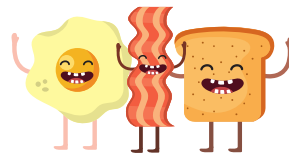


The 2024 Flower Calendar has been placed by the church office. If you would like to furnish flowers for the worship services you may sign up on Sunday mornings or call the church office, 402-466-6736.

Mahoney Manor Breakfast Ministry schedule:

- Wednesday, October 16
- Wednesday, November 13
- Wednesday, December 18

All dates are from 8:30 - 9:30 am in the Mahoney Manor Dining Room
Everyone is welcome!



HUMC Trustees and the members of Esther's Circle will be hosting the Fall Craft & Vendor Fair on Saturday, October 5th from 9am - 3pm. Please contact Jamie in the church office if you'd like to be a vendor. Some of our loyal HUMC church members will be in the kitchen to provide lunch for everyone to enjoy!

We are needing donations of 12 pack cans of soda, and bars and/or cookies to sell in the kitchen. If you are interested in helping with those items, sign-up sheets will be located at the Welcome Center. Please have soda to the church no later than Sunday, September 29th.

Also, since we have had such a huge success in past, we will again be doing a HUMC CHURCH BAKE SALE! Please bring your favorite baked goods, pies, cobblers, muffins, and treats to sell.

Any questions please see Sandy Carlson or Julie Burt. All funds raised will go to church budget. Thank you, and as always, we appreciate your support.

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.



WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY SPECIAL OFFERING – OCT. 6th

We are called to reach out to all people and model the diversity of all God’s children. Your gifts support racial and ethnic students in achieving their educational goals while also transforming communities. Fifty percent of the offering provides scholarships for graduate students from the U.S. and other countries. Thirty-five percent supports ethnic scholarships for undergraduate students. Fifteen percent funds In-Service Training Programs for racial and ethnic persons.

Thank you to everyone who made food, helped with set up and clean up, and participated in the Fall Kick-off Brunch and our recent Last Wednesday Community Suppers. We appreciate each and every one of you, and are grateful for your support!
~ Sandy Carlson & the Nurture committee

COMING SOON...

- ~ SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND - LIFELINE WILL BE AT HUMC IN OUR FELLOWSHIP HALL. IF YOU'D LIKE, YOU MAY REGISTER AND PAY FOR A HEALTH SCREENING BY CALLING 1-888-814-0466 (PROMO CODE HSCA001) OR VISITING THE WEBSITE [HTTPS://WWW.LLSA.SOCIAL/HSCA](https://www.llsa.social/hzca)
- ~ TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH - OUR CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL WILL BE UTILIZED AS A POLLING LOCATION FOR THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION. FOODNET WILL BE MOVED TO MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH FOR THIS WEEK.
- ~ SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH AT 2:00 PM - OUR ANNUAL CHARGE CONFERENCE WILL BE AT LINCOLN ST. PAUL UMC - 1144 M ST. EVERYONE IS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND. CONFERENCE PACKETS AND ADDITIONAL INFO FOR BE AVAILABLE SOON.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
October is Pastor/Clergy Appreciation Month. Thank you pastor Kyu, for all you do!		FoodNet 4:30 pm 1	Ad Board 6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm 2	3	Vendor Fair Set up 5:00 pm AA 7:00 pm 4	Craft & Vendor Fair 9:00 am 5
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OUR NEXT YOUNG ADULTS GATHERING WILL BE AT 12:00 PM ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13TH. ALL ARE WELCOME! PLEASE BRING A POTLUCK DISH TO SHARE, AND A FRIEND!



≡ Welcome ≡

Please join us in welcoming our new church members, Dennis and Lorene Krei!

What do birds say on Halloween?



Trick or Tweet!