



# HCC Connections

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November 2009



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## An Important Message

### About Stewardship Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup>

**W**hen we approved hiring Rev. Erin Heisler as our new Minister for Youth and Children's Programs this past spring, we knew that in bringing on board a dedicated, seminary-trained leader of Erin's caliber, with her advanced education and special knowledge and abilities and her willingness to make a long term commitment to us, we were going to have to make our own financial commitment in order to achieve our goal of providing the best possible environment for the strengthening and growth of our youth and children's programs. Calling Erin was a huge step forward in our pursuit of this goal.

So the time has come for us to make that commitment, to put our wallets where our hearts are to keep our church's ministry moving ahead. As you consider your individual plan for pledging and giving to HCC in the coming year, please remember that this will be anything but a "routine" year, and support our church as fully as you can. On **Stewardship Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup>**, I ask you to make your commitment to support HCC generously in 2010.

Council and the Financial Stewardship Committee have worked hard to manage our current and future expenses, but have exhausted our options for cutting expenses without impacting our programs and staff. If we don't grow our income in 2010 by increasing our pledged giving, we'll have to make some hard decisions about what we can or can't do as a church. Staff salaries and related costs make up roughly two-thirds of our expenses each year. Most

thirds of our expenses each year. Most of our other expenses are fixed and can't be cut or eliminated.

Assuming that we give our staff a minimal 1.5% raise in 2010 (after receiving no raise in 2009), and provide Erin with full health and other benefits, **we're going to need about \$36,000 more in pledged giving in 2010 over 2009.** While our projected expenses will be \$15,000 higher than 2009 (going from \$285,000 to \$300,000), we also need to make up for the roughly \$6,000 net annual loss of rental income for the parsonage, and the depletion of the \$15,000 "checkbook carry over balance." In other words, we need a **15% increase in pledged giving** for 2010 to meet our commitment to Erin and to fund our other operating expenses.

We've received many financial blessings over the past few years, including generous special giving for both the '07 window replacement project and this year's parsonage fix up. We were also blessed with a wonderful donation from outside our membership that made our '08 sanctuary roof and door replacements possible as well as a further reduction in our mortgage. I have faith that we can apply this same generous spirit to meeting this necessary increase in our annual operating costs, too, so that we can maintain our financial health while moving our ministry forward. Thank you for your consideration.

*Paul White*

2010 Stewardship Campaign Chair



## Pastor's Corner

### Turning to God Hospitality

*(Nineteenth in a series on connecting with God in the ordinary)*

**In** this month of November I expect most of us will take part in a Thanksgiving meal. We'll celebrate one here at church after worship on the 15th and many of us will be among those from all across our country who will gather for one, usually in someone's home, on the 26th, our national day of Thanksgiving. Such meals are among the most obvious occasions on which we offer or receive the gift of hospitality.

Maybe you'll travel some distance for Thanksgiving, linking up with family or friends who are far away. Maybe they'll have a room prepared especially

for your arrival with flowers on the dresser and candies on your pillow. The centerpiece of your visit will be the feast of turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, cranberries and rolls with pie, pie, and more pie- or, if not those, of whatever other foods are in the Thanksgiving tradition of your hosts. They'll have activities prepared for you afterwards from which you can freely choose, all of them designed to make you feel welcomed, valued, and at home. If you receive hospitality like that, you'll know you've received a great gift indeed.

As Christians we hold that the gift of hospitality, whether we gratefully receive or graciously provide it, brings us closer to God. We know this in the Sacrament of Holy Communion which we celebrated last month on World Communion Sunday and that we'll gather for again this month on the 29th, the First Sunday of Advent. At the Lord's Supper, we know that God is our host. Jesus puts on the apron, sets the

table for us, prepares for us his bread and cup, and gives to us his own life, the one in which we are ultimately welcomed, valued, and at home.

It's the life that God offers us daily and calls us to share with each other not only on special occasions like Thanksgiving and Holy Communion, but every day and in ordinary ways. It's the life that we can offer in every relationship we're in whether with those closest and best-known to us, with complete strangers, or with anyone in between. It's the God life marked by the fruits of Christ's Holy Spirit- love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control- life lived with generous and sensitive welcome and openness, life that's filled with deeds of loving service. It's the life that carries within it the essence of real hospitality. It's of God and in it God is made known.

With you in thanksgiving for our life together,



## Pledged Giving Update & the Gutter Project

**T**his year we need \$4458 each week to remain current in our pledged giving receipts. As of the end of September we're **\$16,060 behind** in the amount of those gifts we've received. This reflects the slump in pledged giving that we often have from summer into fall. As we move through the fall and finish this calendar year, however, it will be extremely helpful to our cash flow for as many of us as possible to be current in our pledged giving. **We've just completed a necessary gutter repair**

**project costing \$7750 that we hadn't budgeted for in '09 but that we realized had to be taken care of before this winter comes.** We have reserves to draw on that enabled us to fund this project, but having done so makes it all the more important for us to avoid a deficit as we meet the other obligations we have for the rest of this year. Any effort we can make to bring and keep our pledges current will therefore be of particular help in these final months. Thanks again to all whose gifts make possible the ministry of HCC!



## Children's Ministry

In the month of November the children in Kingdom Maker's Workshop will be learning about the prophet Jeremiah.

Jeremiah was a reluctant prophet, who felt as if he was too young to share God's important message with the people of Israel.

You see, God was calling for Israel to repent from their evil and idolatrous ways.

In addition to this message, Jeremiah was able to share the news of the new covenant that God would establish with the people of Israel. God said, "I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts and I will be their God, and they shall be my people."

Jeremiah 31:33

Many people know the song about Jeremiah, the bull-frog, sung by Three Dog Night. We've reworked that song to teach us about Jeremiah, the prophet. Enjoy!

### Hanging of the Greens

**November 29<sup>th</sup> @ 4pm**

Join us at this fun, family event where we decorate the church for the Advent season. There will be a light supper & many fun activities for the children!



## Jeremiah was more than a bull-frog...

(sung to the tune of "Joy to the World," by Three Dog Night)

Jeremiah was a prophet  
who God called on to serve,  
he worried 'bout the big responsibility,  
but God had picked him from birth-  
to share a message with the whole  
wide earth-

Preachin'

"Woe, to your world!  
Judah, you're in some trouble now.  
Woe, Babylonian captivity!  
Woe, to you I see!

"Yahweh is The King of The World,  
Tells me what to do!  
Now throw away the false, the wrong,  
and repent,  
and make things right and true,  
I said, make things right and true!

"Listen!  
Woe, to your world!  
Judah you're in some trouble now.  
Woe, Babylonian captivity!  
Woe, to you I see!

"God is like a potter,  
and we are like the clay.  
Why are you unfaithful & worship  
other Gods?

God wants you to change things today,  
and God will show us the way.

"You see,  
God is our God,  
And we are God's people now.  
God's law is written on all of our  
hearts,  
From God we'll never depart."



I want to introduce you to someone. His name is Zach Hunter. Like many of you, he is a teenager who likes to listen to music, read and hang out with his friends. What is unique about Zach is that at the age of 17 he has already authored two books and has started a movement to end modern-day slavery.

You see, when he was 12 he heard about human trafficking and the issue of slavery. Even at his young age he set out to change the world and put an end to slavery. He started a campaign called, "**Loose Change to Loosen Chains,**" which raised thousands of dollars to rescue the 27 million victims of slavery worldwide, half of which are children.

Zach speaks to thousands of people every year with the hope that he will raise awareness about the slavery issue as well as inspire people to find their own passion to change the world.

In his second book, *Generation Change*, Zach quotes the movie "Amazing Grace." In the film one of the abolitionist characters says, "We're too young to know that some things are impossible, so we will do them anyway." That's the message that Zach is hoping to share

with young people- he wants YOU to believe and dream as if nothing is impossible.

So, this month as you celebrate and give thanks for all the blessings you have received, take a moment to think about those who are less fortunate. Take a moment to think about how we, as Christians, can live into our call to reach out and help the homeless, the hurting, the alone and the afraid.

Look for these opportunities- dream up ways to be the voice for the voiceless.

**How can you be the change?**

**How can yours be the generation that changes the world?**

In peace,

**high school  
overnight:**

**Nov. 13th**

**Meet at the church at 7pm.**

**We'll go to Zap Zone for some laser-tag & then have a mid-night dinner at Denny's. We'll cover the cost for laser-tag. Bring \$ for Denny's. As always, friends are welcome!**

## Apple Pies!!

**On November 21<sup>st</sup>  
from 4 - 7pm**

we will be making the pies for our annual mission trip fundraiser.



After we make the pies, we will be rehearsing for **YOUTH SUNDAY** worship which is **Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>.**



## REMINDER:

Mission Trip 2010 sign-up has begun!

There are still slots left if you are interested in serving with us in **Chicago,**

**June 20-26<sup>th</sup>.**

The \$100 deposit is due

**December 1<sup>st</sup>!**

## Our Church Family



This column is left blank intentionally to protect the privacy of our members.



*Thanks to these individuals who have recently served the church in special ways:*

### Commendations to...

• **Bill Burrus, Pat Dalton, Barbara Freeman & Devin Mongrain** for their leadership with the middle-school and high-school youth groups.

- Our October teachers in Kingdom Makers' Workshop: **Stephanie Zin, Karen Canestraight, Blake Weston, Zsa Mahon & Liz Newport**
- **Stephanie Zin & Liz Newport** for hosting coffee hour on behalf of the Children's Ministry Team on October 18<sup>th</sup> to honor the 3<sup>rd</sup> graders that received their Bibles
- **Mike & Danna Dixon** for coordinating the Middle School Hayride and **Katie Riley** who drove to the Hayride. **Quincy Campbell, Jake Gleitsman & Rachel Linnemann** for dressing up & scaring the middle-schoolers on the hayride.
- **Donna Ellis** for volunteering to serve as our Members in Ministry Coordinator.
- **Bill Burrus, Larry Leefers, and Bob Purosky** for their leadership of this year's CROP Walk and to all who walked and/or donated to our walkers.
- Our **Social Committee** and all those who helped them in providing this year's Chicken Barbecue.
- Again, **the many, many people** whose generous donations of time, materials, and money made possible our now completed fix-up of the parsonage. Erin has moved in!
- **Dick Ledebuhr and Pat Dalton** for their special efforts in making sure our gutter repair project was arranged and completed.
- The **special donors** who made possible the purchase of a laptop for Rose Gakwandi's AMU ministry to Rwandan orphans.

## Rent-A-Youth

**A**re the beautiful hues of the leaves in the trees and the dried plants and leaves on the ground reminding you that those High School Youth Group members are just waiting for a call to come and help you find closure this Fall? Well, you are in luck because we are ready to go! Call Kathy Campbell at 655-3034 to describe your needs and place your reservation. Your donation for the work done will go towards the Mission Trip Fund for the trip this summer to help in the Chicago area.

If you aren't quite in need of help this Fall but may need some in the Spring, don't worry because we'll have some work crews available when the weather warms again.

## *Spiritual Life*

### **Opportunities for Adults**

The adults of the congregation are invited to join in these many activities sponsored by the Spiritual Life Committee. You are encouraged to take advantage of these opportunities for personal and spiritual growth.

### **New Programs This Year**

Thank you to all the folks who stopped by the Spiritual Life information table after worship the past few weeks. Here are the programs that have been organized so far....

**Wisdom Heart:** This is a facilitated group experience designed to help you connect with your deepest wisdom about what is important in your life and how to line your life up with your core values. This group will continue to meet in the Sanctuary on **Sunday evenings, 6:00 - 7:30pm, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and December 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>.** Questions can be addressed to the facilitator, Lisa Davidson, at 517-749-4075.

**Bible Study:** The UCC Bible study based on the Book of Acts will be used for these sessions. (The study guide costs \$10 and will be ordered through the UCC.) The frequency and times of meetings will be determined by those interested in the group. Kim Huston will be the organizer, and she can be contacted at [kimahuston@gmail.com](mailto:kimahuston@gmail.com) or 339-2610 (before 3:00pm or after 7:00pm).

**Religion and Science:** Based on a DVD that considers the question of whether we must reject belief in God to accept the findings of science. The first meeting of this group will be Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 - 7:30pm. Participants at the first meeting will decide the frequency and number of further meetings to be held. Questions can be addressed to the facilitator of the group, Jim Linnemann, at 339-6138.

**The Power of Forgiveness:** Based on a DVD that considers the psychological and physical effects of forgiveness, this group will meet on Sunday evenings, 6:00 - 7:30, beginning in late April. Participants at the first meeting will also decide the frequency and number of further meetings to be held. Questions can be address to the facilitator, Joyce Bischoff, 339-9935.

### **Sermon Discussion**

Continuing on **Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Kurt Kirchoff will lead a discussion of the previous weeks' sermons. This once-a-month discussion will occur in the Sanctuary after worship. Questions can be addressed to Kurt at 339-8383.

### **Spiritual Development: Practicing our Faith**

As of the Newsletter deadline, this group (maybe with a new name and format...) had not decided what to discuss for the coming year. We'll probably be meeting on the third Sunday after worship. Watch for more details in the Sunday Announcements. Questions can be addressed to Becky Leefers at 337-0560.

### **Advent Meditative Worship Services**

During the season of Advent, when most of us are at our busiest, we will be given an opportunity to come together quietly in worship. Times and dates will be announced in the next newsletter about these meditative worship services when reading, contemplation, and prayer will be offered.

### **PeaceCircle**

PeaceCircle was begun as a way to get to know our neighbors, especially those from different religious and ethnic backgrounds. The premise is that by beginning peace gestures on our local scale, the ripples can be felt globally. Already, those coming to PeaceCircle have met many new friends and have learned much about other religions. World Peace is an awesome goal and PeaceCircle is reaching towards that. Watch the Sunday Announcements for more information about future meetings.. Please contact Joyce Bischoff at 339-9935 or Becky Leefers at 337-0560 with any questions.

### **Men's Group**



The Men's Group has been meeting for breakfasts, book discussions, barbeques, and a fishing trip up north. Dave Vitti has an email list of all those interested in the Men's Group. Contact him at 339-5731 or [vitti@msu.edu](mailto:vitti@msu.edu) to be included on this email list or to ask questions.

## Social Committee News

### Ski Weekend Informational Meeting

There will be an informational meeting on Sunday, November 1st after worship for anyone interested in attending the 13th Annual Ski Weekend, January 1st -3rd 2010. The meeting will take place, in the sanctuary, immediately following the morning service. A rundown of the weekend will be explained and any questions answered. Questions will also be answered for those who are thinking of going up early and a plan date will be set. Start thinking snow and come to the meeting!



### Thanksgiving

It's Time for the Thanksgiving Dinner and the music of our very own Kathrin Leefers and Johanna McKenzie. November will soon be here, and it is time for the Thanksgiving Dinner. Kathrin and Johanna, have graciously agreed to serenade us after our meal! Mark your calendar for **Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup>** at noon. Then sign up on the Social Committee Board and spend the afternoon and enjoy a delicious dinner with your church family. The cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. Please bring a dish to pass that will feed twelve

people, and your own place settings. Turkey cookers and carvers are also needed. If you are interested, please indicate that when you sign up.

### Hanging of the Greens

It is hard to believe that December is right around the corner, but with the crisp in the air, it is time to mark your calendar for **Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.** for the Hanging of the Greens. Please come and help decorate the church for the Advent season and enjoy a hearty soup dinner, great children's activities, and a family Advent worship. Please bring with you wire clippers, if you have them, and work gloves for making the wreaths. Look for the sign up on the Social Committee Board.



It is time to get together for another evening of fun and laughter with Adult Game Night. Join us at 7:00 p.m. **Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup>** at the church for an evening of friendship and fun. Please bring a treat to pass and any games that you think the group may enjoy. Sign up on the Social Committee board. Hope to see you there!

## Social Calendar

*Dates to look forward to . . .*

### November

**1st** - 13th Annual Ski Weekend Informational Meeting

**7th** - Adult Game Night

**15th** - Thanksgiving Dinner

**29th** - Hanging of the Greens

### December

**27<sup>th</sup>** - Ski Weekend Final Meeting after church

### January

**1st - 3rd** - 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Ski Weekend at TreeTops

**23<sup>rd</sup>** - Adult Game Night

## Women's Coffee

All women of the congregation are invited to join in the fun and fellowship at the occasional gatherings of the Women's Coffee. These get-togethers are held on the **first Tuesdays at 10:00 AM when hostesses sign up.** A sign-up sheet for November 2009 – May 2010 is in the display case next to the church office. We encourage those who wish to host to sign up soon. Twelve to twenty women (and Pastor Kurt) attend. The next Women's Coffee this Fall will be held on **Tuesday, November 3<sup>th</sup>** and **hosted by Joyce Bartels.** If you have not been to this get-together before, think about coming. The conversations are delightful!



# Giving Project

On **Sunday, November 15th**, the Holiday Gift Board will be available. The Mission Outreach Committee sponsors this project. The Gift Board will consist of many colorful gift requests for the Haslett families that we will be assisting through our Christmas Giving Project. Requests are identified on numbered, two-part cards matching families and gifts. We encourage your participation again in this joyful giving event by:

1. Selecting card(s) from the Gift Board.
2. Following the directions on the board about the card, then purchasing and wrapping the gift(s).
3. Securing the card to the outside of the wrapped gift. It is our only way to know of the gift's destination.
4. Returning the gift(s) to Church with the card securely attached to the gift(s) by **Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>**.

## DON'T KNOW WHAT TO BUY??? NO TIME TO SHOP???

Your cash donations are cheerfully accepted for purchasing items from our Holiday Gift board, especially jeans, socks, and underwear. In addition, cash will be used to buy needed foodstuffs through the Mid Michigan Food Bank and retail groceries during sales. Look for envelopes marked CASH for this purpose on the board. Please make your check payable to Haslett Community Church and put "Christmas Giving Event" on the check memo line. Place the envelope in the offering plate or turn it into the Church office.

### GET INVOLVED - SAVE THE DATES

Many kinds of help are needed to carry out the Christmas Giving Project. It's a great way to help families in need and meet others in the congregation. Watch for the volunteer opportunities form in the bulletin and December newsletter.

Dates for your calendar:

Sunday 12/20—Packing night

Monday 12/21— Merge gifts with food

Tuesday 12/22—Distribution



*The Mission Outreach Committee appreciates all of your support and participation.*

*Remember those who are less fortunate.*

## North Pole Needs for the Christmas Giving Project

**T**he Mission Outreach Committee will again need 200 + **copy paper sized boxes** (please, no larger) for packing heavy canned goods that are used as our holiday baskets for our annual Christmas Giving Project. **If you have access to boxes at work and can store them until we need them in mid-December, it would be helpful.** If you have boxes and can't hold them until mid-December, please call the church office at 339-8383.

**Gently used household items** will be available for our Christmas families to select from as they wait to receive their holiday baskets. In high demand are **dishes, pots & pans, odds & ends of silverware, glasses, cooking utensils, dish towels, bath towels, sheets & bedding.**

Also popular are children's useable toys & games, books, **winter** clothing, and baby accessories.

Please consider setting aside any of these items you can spare and hold them until mid-December when you may bring them to the church. Questions? Call Ruth Linnemann at 339-6138 or email rlinnemann3@aol.com.

**NOVEMBER**



## STOCKING STUFFERS

Fun, small "**stocking stuffer**" gifts are requested for children ages two to teens. Useful items for girls would include hair accessories, combs, inexpensive jewelry, makeup, bubble bath or bath gel, girls' crafts. For both boys and girls: books, notepads, crayons, colored pencils, chalk, yo-yos, small games, and card games. Items especially for boys might include matchbox cars, action figures, fun soaps, and hairbrushes. Donations do not need to be wrapped and can be left any time at our Food Pantry marked for Christmas Giving. Any questions - call Kelly Flagg at 339-8841.

## Food Bank Update

**Thank you** for all of the bags of food and monetary donations that have come in this fall. They are helping us keep our shelves stocked with items that are in high demand.

**Thank You,** Nancy White for volunteering to help coordinate the food for the Christmas Giving Project which will be held December 20<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Thank You to all those who participated in Crop Walk.**

**Kroger's Reward Program**

If you are having trouble enrolling online please pick up a form from the Kroger's Reward file on the church office door. Take this form to

Kroger's. They will scan the bar on it and you will be enrolled.

## Congregational Food Drive Sunday November 15

We will have our fall food drive the Sunday of our Thanksgiving dinner. There will be sheets that list high demand foods out at coffee hour during November.

### Turkey Feathers

L&L has begun their turkey feathers program to go towards discounts on turkeys. Please place these in the folder on the Food Bank door. Thank you for your donations.

The items listed below are greatly needed:

- Canned Fruits
- Jam, Jelly, Honey
- Mayo/Salad Dressing
- Pancake Mix/Syrup
- Cooking Oil
- Flour
- Sugar
- Canned Meats/Stew/Hash
- Egg Noodles
- Spaghetti Noodles
- Cream Soups
- Chicken Noodle Soup
- Stove Top Dressing
- Toilet Paper
- Deodorants

Please call if you have any questions. Betsy McLernon 655-5994



## Church and Society

**Reminder:** Some time ago, in a monthly issue of the HCC Connection, there was information about a very easy way to help several worthy causes by visiting a website and "**CLICKING**" once each day. These include *The Hunger Site*; *The Breast Cancer Site*; *The Child Health Site*; *The Literacy Site*; *The Rainforest Site* and the *Animal Rescue Site*.

Sponsors of these sites encourage these visits by donating an amount of cash and/or products to the cause for each "**CLICK**" each day.

The sites are linked so you can go from one to another very easily. Even with a very slow "dial-up" internet connection, it takes less than 5 minutes!

[www.thehungersite.com](http://www.thehungersite.com) will get you started.

So, please remember to visit these sites and "**CLICK AT HOME**", "**CLICK AT WORK**" and "**CLICK AT SCHOOL**" every day.



**S**unday Singers (Children's Choir) will be set aside for the time being. It seems that the after-service time isn't the answer. We hope to try again soon, gathering a few times during the year for a special project. Watch and listen for announcements.

**A**n Appalachian Christmas will be the theme for our Choir Cantata this year. We are hoping to use a different type of crèche scene using corn husk figures. Our quest is to find as many as possible. If you have any decorations of this type, would you be willing to share? They would be used November 29<sup>th</sup> to December 20<sup>th</sup>. Please let Judy or Barb know as soon as possible. Thanks.



## Members in Ministry

*The following tasks need volunteers for this month. Can you help fill in the blanks?*

### November 2009

#### NOVEMBER 1

READER:  
USHERS:  
GREETERS:  
COFFEE HOSTS: Peggy Garver

#### NOVEMBER 3

Women's Coffee hosts (2): Joyce Bartels

#### NOVEMBER 8

READER: Kaye Gardner  
USHERS: Gerry & Kaye Gardner  
GREETERS: June Peabody  
COFFEE HOSTS:

#### NOVEMBER 15

READER: Donna Ellis  
USHERS:  
GREETERS:  
COFFEE HOSTS: The Deckers

#### NOVEMBER 22

READER: Youth Sunday  
USHERS: Youth Sunday  
GREETERS: Youth Sunday  
COFFEE HOSTS: Liz & Rich Newport

#### NOVEMBER 29

READER:  
USHERS:  
GREETERS:  
COFFEE HOSTS: The Roupz Family

## Member Services

**H**ere is your chance to share your business, work skills, or expertise with the rest of us. In Friendship Hall there is now a kiosk called "Member Services". If you have, or are part of a business, we would love to have you share it with others. In these days of "keeping it local", it would be great to know what skills and services the members of our congregation have, either as a job or maybe a paid hobby, to offer each other. So, please if you are interested, attach your business card to one of the supplied 3 x 5 cards and then attach it to the kiosk board. If you don't have a business card, just use the 3 x 5 card on which to write your information. Then....if you need a service or hired hand, just take a look at the board and find what you need! We're hoping that many of us use this as a way to get to know each other a little better while helping each other in many ways!



## Haslett Community Church

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Conference Web Site: [www.michucc.org](http://www.michucc.org) UCC Web Site: [www.ucc.org](http://www.ucc.org)

### November 2009

| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday                        | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday  |
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| <b>1</b><br><b>TIME CHANGE BACK</b><br>9:25 AM<br>Worship and Church School;<br>nursery care provided<br>6:00 PM – Wisdom Heart<br>4:00 PM – MS Youth<br>7:00 PM – HS Youth  | <b>2</b><br>7 PM<br>Mission Outreach<br>Committee  | <b>3</b><br>Election<br>10 AM<br>Women's Coffee | <b>4</b><br>7 PM<br>Adult Choir  | <b>5</b><br>2:30 PM<br>Youth Choir<br>7:00 PM<br>Haslett Women's<br>club | <b>6</b>  | <b>7</b>  |
| <b>8 STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY</b><br>9:25 AM<br>Worship and Church School;<br>nursery care provided<br>10:45 AM Member Caring<br>6:00 PM – Wisdom Heart<br>4:00 PM – MS Youth<br>7:00 PM – HS Youth                        | <b>9</b><br>7 PM<br>Youth Ministry<br>Team Meeting | <b>10</b><br>7 PM<br>Church Council             | <b>11</b><br>7 PM<br>Adult Choir | <b>12</b><br>2:30 PM<br>Youth Choir<br>7 PM<br>Social Committee          | <b>13-14</b><br>High School Youth<br>Overnight<br>7:00 PM |   |
| <b>15</b><br>9:25 AM<br>Worship and Church School;<br>nursery care provided<br>12 noon<br>Thanksgiving Dinner<br>3:00 PM<br>Inquirers' Meeting<br>6:00 PM – Wisdom Heart<br>4:00 PM – MS Youth<br>7:00 PM – HS Youth | <b>16</b>  | <b>17</b><br>8:00 AM<br>Newsletter<br>deadline  | <b>18</b><br>7 PM<br>Adult Choir | <b>19</b><br>2:30 PM<br>Youth Choir                                      | <b>20</b><br>1-7 PM<br>BLOOD DRIVE                        | <b>21</b><br>1-4 PM<br>Circle of Friends<br>4-7 PM<br>HS Youth<br>pie making and<br>rehearsal for<br>Youth Sunday |
| <b>22 YOUTH SUNDAY</b><br>9:25 AM<br>Worship and Church School;<br>nursery care provided<br>10:45 Sermon Discussion<br>6:00 PM – Wisdom Heart<br>4:00 PM – MS Youth<br>7:00 PM – HS Youth                            | <b>23</b>  | <b>24</b>                                       | <b>25</b><br>7 PM<br>Adult Choir | <b>26</b><br>HAPPY<br>THANKSGIVING                                       | <b>27</b>   | <b>28</b>   |
| <b>29 COMMUNION<br/>           HANGING OF THE GREENS</b><br>9:25 AM<br>Worship and Church School;<br>nursery care provided<br>6:00 PM – Wisdom Heart<br>No MS Youth or HS Youth                                      | <b>30</b>  |   |                                  |  |   |   |

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## Worship for November 2009

Sermon titles and Scripture readings include:

**Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 9:25 am**  
"Standing on Shoulders"  
Psalm 146 & Mark 12:28-3

**Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 9:25 am**  
"How to Live in a Promised Land"  
Psalm 106:1-3 & Deut. 30:15-20

**Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 9:25 am**  
Stewardship Sunday  
"The Art of Money Changing"  
Psalm 138:1-6 & Matthew 6:19-21

**Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 9:25 am**  
Youth Sunday

**Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, 9:25 am**  
First Sunday of Advent  
Rev. Erin Heisler preaching

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