

# HAVELOCK UMC NEWSLETTER

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## LIFESONG

“The Real Love We’re All Looking For”

As we look to another Valentine’s Day and World Wide Marriage Sunday, we’re thinking about love. We see love portrayed in movies and TV shows and soap operas, and sitcoms. Most of the time it’s a love that comes and goes with the feelings we have at the time. In these shows people fall in and out of love. They’ll love you if you look right, feel right, and smell right! This is not love at all, not the love God intended married couples to have for one another and not the love that God gives us all. 1 John 4:7-10 in The Message says: “My beloved friends, let us continue to love each other since love comes from God. Everyone who loves is born of God and experiences a relationship with God. The person who refuses to love doesn’t know the first thing about God, because God is love—so you can’t know him if you don’t love. This is how God showed his love for us: God sent his only Son into the world so we might live through him. This is the kind of love we are talking about—not that we once upon a time loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to clear away our sins and the damage they’ve done to our relationship with God.”

The real love we long for comes from God, who is love. God loves us unconditionally and forever. “But God shows His love for us in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.” Romans 5:8. We don’t need to earn God’s love we have to earn the love of other people. God’s love is given freely. All we need to do is accept it, and believe that God loves us enough to die for us. Without accepting what God did for us in Jesus on the cross, we are headed for an eternity of loneliness,

eternally separated from God and people. With God, we are in a relationship of acceptance and peace with our Maker and all who trust in God.

This Valentine’s Day, don’t miss out on the real love you’re looking for, unconditional and forever. Come discover more about the infinite love of our God in worship and Sunday School. We’re hoping we can meet together in person soon. Meantime, you can find our worship service at 10 a.m. on our website [www.havelockumc.org](http://www.havelockumc.org), our Facebook page Havelock United Methodist Church or call this number 402-205-8739, and you can hear the worship service. Let’s sing a lifesong of God’s perfect love this February.

Love in Christ, Pastor Todd

## FINANCIAL UPDATE FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Financial update end of 2020

Giving	\$165,748.10
Expenses	\$148,047.69
Extra Income	\$17,700.40

We had several large donations in the month of December and are very thankful for that. Our income was over \$34,000 in December.

Please continue to support the church during the pandemic. You can mail in a check or drop one off using the mailbox in the ally. You can also give on-line. We have a link on our Facebook page or on our website [www.havelockumc.org](http://www.havelockumc.org). Note we are currently in a positive cash flow.

Pati Hughes – Financial Chair

## **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.

## **THANK YOU**

Pati, Vicki, and the Havelock United Methodist Church

Thank you so much for your generous gift card donation (\$200) to an Arnold Elementary family. The family was so grateful and let us know that it was really going to help them a lot for Christmas! I appreciate our partnership every year for Christmas! You really do make a difference.

Thanks,  
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## **COMMUNITY SUPPER**

The next 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Community Supper will be held on Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

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

## **THERE ARE NO OFFICE HOURS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

## **IN OUR PRAYRS**

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, the church office (402-466-6736) will initiate the Prayer Chain.