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A HEART-TO-HEART MOMENT

Grace and peace to you,

As we enter the month of February, we are reminded that this season invites us to slow down and pay attention, to God, to one another, and to the small moments where grace quietly meets us. February may be a shorter month, but it is full of meaning: love, faithfulness, reflection, and hope.

In the life of the church, love is not just something we talk about on Valentine's Day. Love is something we practice, through prayer, worship, service, forgiveness, and showing up for one another. Scripture reminds us, "Love is patient; love is kind" (1 Corinthians 13:4). This kind of love is rooted in God and calls us to live with grace, compassion, and humility in our daily lives. This month, I invite you to reflect on how God's love is shaping your life and how you might share that love with someone else.

As we continue our journey together at Havelock United Methodist Church and Malcolm United Methodist Church, thank you for your faithfulness, your prayers, your presence, and your willingness to serve. Every act of kindness, no matter how small, helps build a community where people feel seen, welcomed, and cared for.

February also gently points us toward the coming season of Lent, a time of reflection, renewal, and drawing closer to God. Let us prepare our hearts by listening more closely, praying more intentionally, and trusting that God is still at work among us.

May this month be filled with God's peace, steady hope, and quiet joy for you and your loved ones.

With gratitude and prayers,
Pastor Anny



PS: Don't forget to wear red, pink, or white on Sunday, February 15th for our Valentine's potluck and celebration!



Our Spring Craft & Vendor Fair will be Saturday, March 7th from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm in the fellowship hall. We do still have vendor spots available! Please see Jamie in the church office if you'd like to be a vendor or know someone who does!

Sign-up sheets are available on the welcome center for those able to volunteer to help, or bring donations to the kitchen or bake sale. Please write your name on the sheet next to the item you are able to assist with. If you're able to move tables and chairs, we could really use you for the clean-up crew! Thank you for your support!



Thank you for the card and prayers regarding my recent health concerns. Also, thank you to Pastor Anny for checking in and visiting me. I greatly appreciate the thoughtfulness of my church family during this time.

-Ivy Weber

We raised \$310 for Matt Talbot Kitchen & Outreach through our Advent offering. Thank you to everyone for your generosity!

Please note that 2025 giving statements that were not picked up in the church office have been mailed out. Thank you!

In celebration of Valentine's Day, we will have a "display of love" in our narthex. Please bring items or pictures of people, places, or things that you love – friends, family, children, grandchildren, parents, siblings, cousins, pets, favorite vacation spot, a dessert that your grandma used to make – whatever symbolizes love to you! A table will be set up in the narthex beginning Sunday, February 8th for you to place your items on.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

PATRICIA HUGHES – TREASURER

Financial Update through Dec 2025:

Totals are year to date –

Giving: \$131,784.13

Building Maint. Fund: \$8,152.92

Memorial: \$2,290.00

Savings: \$2,500.00

Interest – Ess Investment: \$11,385.00

Total Income: \$156,112.05

Expenses: \$161,898.43

Overage: (\$5,786.38)



Comments on where we are through January 26th:

The end of the year reflects that we paid \$5,700 more than we took in. However, on a very good note, we did get \$15,038.00 from the earnings on the Ess endowment that the United Methodist Foundation manages for us. We did use \$2,800 of that money to pay Mission shares for 2025.

We did pay \$6,928 of mission shares this year which is approximately 50% of what we owed. All the bills were paid in December.

Some more good news in January 2026 we had two very generous members who gave large donations. So as of right now, we are in a stable cash flow situation.

I do want to start to share some of the expenses we pay on a routine basis. The first one I wanted to discuss in greater detail is our business building insurance for 2026. It'll be right around \$13,200 for the year or \$1,100.00 monthly. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Our next Last Wednesday Community Supper will be on Wednesday, February 25th

from 5:00 - 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 2026 Flower Calendar will be placed by the church office soon! 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.

It's that time of year, the holidays are coming soon and a HUMC cookbook can be the perfect gift. They make great gifts for family members, friends, coworkers, neighbors, or for that special someone who is not always that easy to buy for. They are located at the welcome center and the price is \$8.00 each. 100% of the sales from the cookbooks goes directly back to the church!

Ash Wednesday is on Wednesday, February 18th. We will have our Ash Wednesday worship service at 5:00 pm in the sanctuary. All are welcome to attend.

Pastor Todd, and his barbershop chorus, are offering singing valentines! "Two songs and a box of chocolates delivered by a barbershop quartet for Valentine's Day" – such a unique gift! Choose delivery on Friday, February 13 or Saturday, February 14. Please see the poster on the bulletin board for more information. You can also go to the website www.lincolncontinentals.org to purchase!

We will have our February Faith Table Gathering on Sunday, February 8th at 12:15 pm in the friendship parlor. Please see the sign up sheet on the welcome center if you would like to bring food to share this month!

We will have our Valentine's potluck on Sunday, February 15th at 12:00 pm in our fellowship hall, immediately following our 10:45 am morning worship service. We hope you will bring a dish to share and join in the food and fellowship! Everyone is welcome.

FEBRUARY

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 Laura Pape (402-466-6338) and we will initiate the Prayer Chain.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:00 am Fellowship Coffee 9:30 am Adult Sunday School 10:45 am Morning Worship 10:45 am Children's Sunday school 11:45 am Narthex Fellowship 12:00 pm Trustees Meeting	1 HAPPY GROUNDHOG DAY 	2 FoodNet 4:30 pm Choir 7:00 pm	3	4	5	6
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Groundhog Day, celebrated annually on February 2nd, is a North American tradition where a groundhog's behavior—specifically whether it sees its shadow upon emerging from its burrow—is believed to predict the arrival of spring. A sunny day means the groundhog sees its shadow and retreats, signaling a prolonged winter, while a cloudy day (no shadow) signifies an early spring.

Origins: The custom stems from the Christian tradition of Candlemas (February 2), which marks the midpoint between the winter solstice and spring equinox. German settlers in Pennsylvania adapted this, replacing a hedgehog with the more common groundhog.

The Ceremony: The most famous event occurs in Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania, with "Punxsutawney Phil". Accuracy: Scientific analysis shows limited, if any, accuracy in the predictions, with a roughly 30-36% accuracy rate over the last decade.

Cultural Significance: Beyond the weather prediction, the day is a lighthearted, mid-winter celebration of folklore and nature's cycles. (sourced from google.com)