

February 2026

THE METHODIST MESSENGER

HAMLIN MEMORIAL HAPPENINGS ❤ VOLUME 32

Every week is filled with amazing fellowship here at Hamlin Memorial. Join the Men's Breakfast group every Monday morning for devotion and prayer. Bring the kids to Youth & Epic Kids on Wednesday evenings. And of course, join us on Sundays for coffee, fellowship, and praise! Invite your neighbors, friends, and colleagues to be apart of this community. I pray God bring each of you His joy and peace this February!

**Don't forget to sign up through the weekly emails
or on the clipboards in the foyer to serve as a
liturgist or to bring donuts for Sunday fellowship!**



Support Created With A Purpose through the Baby Bottle Fundraising!



Grab a baby bottle or two from the foyer and fill it with coins, cash or checks! These donations go to make a positive impact on young families in the community. Feel free to donate directly through the QR code found on the bottles. Your support will change and save lives!

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THE CHRISTIAN CALENDAR

ASH WEDNESDAY & LENT

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent, a 40-day period of fasting, prayer, and reflection, designed to deepen one's connection with God. The ashes that we receive upon our foreheads are there to remind us of our humble origin and our need for repentance. The ashes also remind us of Adam being formed out of the dust of the earth, and to dust we shall return when we face our physical death. Lent, being 40 days long, represents the temptation and fasting that Jesus faced in the wilderness for 40 days. Lent is a time of repentance, a time of giving something up for the betterment of our relationship with God, and for gaining a strong gratitude for Jesus' sacrifice and resurrection. Ash Wednesday and Lent are about turning back to God and understanding that sin will always separate us from Him. Use this time for self-reflection, to rid yourself of any distractions, and to draw near to God in preparation for Easter.

**We look forward to seeing you and your family for the
Ash Wednesday service on February 18th at 6 pm.**





PASTOR'S PEACE

Scripture of the Month

Galatians 6:14

“But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.”

Devotional from Pastor Troy

This month's Scripture comes from St. Paul's letter written to the churches that lived in Galatia. The main reason for writing this letter was to reiterate that our salvation is by grace through faith and not by our own works. It's not that Paul is arguing that our works are not important. In fact, when making the same argument in Ephesians 2:8-10, he ends by telling us that we were created in Christ Jesus for good works and that we should walk in them. What Paul is saying in this letter is that the good works we do are not what save us. This is why Paul ends this letter by saying But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. He is declaring that the only boast for his salvation and redemption is the finished work of Christ on the cross, not his own efforts in following the works of the law. I believe this is important for us to understand as we get ready to enter the season of Lent. During Lent, we fast, repent, and redirect our actions and hearts back towards the Father. This season can be so fruitful in our walk when taken seriously. However, there is also the danger of thinking that because we are taking these steps in drawing near the Father, we are gaining our entrance into the kingdom through these actions. Let this never be our mindset. We fast, repent, and redirect our actions out of gratitude for what He has already done, and a desire walk more genuinely with our God. We all fall short of the glory and tend to allow idols to creep back into our lives. Lent is the time of year when we reflect on what needs to change and then make those corrections through prayer, fasting, and alms giving. This is what it means to say that the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. Because of the finished work of Christ on the cross, the things of this world no longer have dominion over us.

Pray Like A Woman

Join Friona Methodist Church for an inspiring in-person retreat featuring guest speaker Mary Anne Kent on February 28th! This event is all about connecting, reflecting, and embracing the power of prayer as women together. Come as you are for these 2 morning sessions and lunch, as well as a Dive Deep Bonus session after lunch!



Pray Like a Woman with guest speaker Mary Anne Kent

Join us for this empowering day to grow spiritually and to connect with other women while learning from our guest speaker Mary Anne Kent.

 Eventbrite / Feb 28

A light breakfast, a catered lunch, as well as door prizes will be included! A nursery will be provided from 9am-2pm.

Please register and RSVP for this event by Monday, February 23rd, 2026.

Birthdays

2nd - Ander Pomper

9th - Steve Jones

15th - Rebecca Pomper

15th - Boyd White

16th - Zeb Holt

19th - Melody Hettinga

20th - Caleb Christian

25th - Josh Hettinga



Upcoming Events

4th - Youth & Epic Kids 5:30pm

11th - Youth & Epic Kids 5:30pm

16th - Presidents' Day

18th - Ash Wednesday Evening Service 6pm

18th - No Youth & Epic Kids

19th - Lighthouse Mission 12pm (NM time)

25th - Youth & Epic Kids 5:30pm

**Men's Prayer Breakfast
every Monday morning**

at 7am



Anniversaries

**15th - Rodney &
Brenda Wren**





FEBRUARY

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Ash Wednesday	Washington	Valentine	Love
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Hamlin	Cherub	Heart	Abe

