

**Upper Room:**

The November – December Upper Room publication is in the Narthex. Please take one and read for your daily devotionals. Give one to a friend, or to a church member who is not here today. Compliments of the Growth group.

**Pocket Crosses:**

Pocket Crosses are in the Narthex. Please take one compliments of the Growth group.

**Free Little Library Box:**

Check out the books in the “Free Little Library Box” in the side yard of the church. Books are available for all ages.

**Church Website:**

Website address: [www.mex1umc.com](http://www.mex1umc.com)

Email Chuck Parker with anything you wish to include on the website. [aparker@twcny.rr.com](mailto:aparker@twcny.rr.com)

**Bulletin Items:**

To submit items for the bulletin, please email your information to [fumcmexico@gmail.com](mailto:fumcmexico@gmail.com) by Thursday.

**To Contact Pastor Brandin Greco**

Pastoral Emergencies – 315-378-7963

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| Office Hours: | Monday    | Off      |              |
|               | Tuesday   | Mexico   | 3 – 6 pm     |
|               | Wednesday | Lycoming | On Call      |
|               | Thursday  | Lycoming | On Call      |
|               | Friday    | Mexico   | 9 am – 12 pm |
|               | Saturday  | Off      |              |

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**Announcements – November 10, 2024****Prayer List:**

Our Church, Pastor Brandin Greco, Coleen, Scott Abbott, Noreen Grego, Mary Grants, Eugene Hogan, Judy Perlet, Al Smithers, Jeanette Hurlbut, Donna Hooze, Linda Connaway, Loren Burnham, Susie Martin, Rachelle, Jewell Foulz, Al & Mary Archer, Jeff, Phil & Flora Kugler, Lisa Buske, Barb Lindovski, Janice & Ken Gregory, Sharon Miller, Melissa Johnson, Esther Granger, Mary Baratier, Vicky H, Pat F, David Hubbard, Pastor Bill & Family, David DeLong, Roger DeLong, Diane Morrison, Steve Chapman, Joan Phelps, Diane Sullivan, Brothers and Sisters recovering from Helene and Milton, and Brothers and Sisters in the Middle East.

**Blessing Box:**

**Talking Turkey:** Seems like just a few months ago we were ‘talking turkey’ for November Blessing Box ideas and here we are, a year later, doing the same. The need for standard staples continue: cereal/instant oatmeal, pasta/pasta sauce, peanut butter, shelf stable milk and toilet paper. We also ask you to consider food items to help our neighbors have a Thanksgiving dinner. Suggestions include: canned beans, corn, ham, potatoes, cranberry sauce, fruit, yams and gravy; boxed cornbread mix, instant potatoes, stuffing, and dessert mixes along with paper plates, napkins and plastic silverware. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

**Hurricane Relief Effort:**

The Mission Outreach group is donating \$300.00 to UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) to assist their efforts in disaster recovery for those impacted by Hurricanes Helene and Milton. Money will be directed to UMCOR US Disaster Response and Recovery/Hurricane Relief. Advance #901670, UMCOR has, and continues to provide many supports, including consultation, coordination, boots on the ground clean-up, rebuilding and long-term recovery planning. They have been assembling and distributing cleaning kits, and the Early Response Teams (ERTS) are assisting with debris removal, roof tarping and cleaning out homes in some of the hardest-hit areas. While you may have already contributed to an organization(s) supporting our southern neighbors, we ask that you consider a donation to UMCOR on behalf of our church. Cash can be placed in a pew envelope with

UMCOR: Attn Outreach noted on the envelope. Checks: UMCOR US Disaster Response and Recovery/Hurricane Relief. Advance #901670; note FUMC Mexico in the memo; checks can also be mailed to the church (First United Methodist Church of Mexico, P.O. Box 255, Mexico, NY 13114 Attn Mission Outreach. We will forward your check). As a reminder, one hundred percent of all Advance contributions go to this designated cause. Thank you in advance for any donation you can contribute.

**Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes:**

If you still have an OCC shoebox at home, you have until November 17<sup>th</sup> to get it back to church.

During National Collection Week (Nov. 18 – 25), our filled boxes will be taken to a local collection site and from there, shipped to a Samaritan's Purse processing Center to be ready to ship to over 100 countries around the world.

**Advent Candles:**

See the bulletin insert if you wish to sponsor a candle in a church window this Advent Season.

**Ad Council Meeting:**

No meeting until January

**November Events!**

**Outreach Meeting:**

Tuesday, November 12, 2024 @ 7 pm. The meeting will be held in the Sanctuary/Narthex area.

**Choir Rehearsal:**

Wednesday, November 13, 2024 @ 5 pm. New members are welcome.

**Red Cross:**

Wednesday, November 13, 2024 from 10:30 – 5:30 pm (drive is 11:30 – 4 pm).

**Bible Study:**

There will not be a Bible study Thursday, November 14, 2024.

**Open Mic Night:**

Thursday, November 14, 2024 from 6 – 8 pm – Sign-ups for performers start at 6 pm; entertainment at 6:30 pm. All are welcome. Refreshments will be available. Come and join the fun!

**Men's Club Breakfast:**

Saturday, November 16, 2024 @ 8:30 am

**Men's Club Chili & Coat Giveaway:**

Saturday, November 16, 2024 from 11 – 2 pm - The Men's Clubs from both Mexico and Lycoming are collecting coats of all sizes that are in good condition. Coats will be given away along with a free, hot meal. A collection bin is in the Narthex to collect coats. Thank you for your help as we strive to "be the church" outside our four walls.

**Looking Ahead to December!**

**Advent Begins:**

Sunday, December 1, 2024

**Christmas in Mexico:**

Saturday, December 7, 2024

**Open Mic Night:**

Thursday, December 12, 2024

**Longest Night Service:**

Saturday, December 21, 2024 @ 7 pm.

**Advent Ends:**

Tuesday, December 24, 2024