

## Announcements

### Prayer List:

Our Church, Aiko, Barb Sheldon, Ben M., Bob Loomis, Cathy Clark, Clara, Coleen, Connie Smith, Dana New, David Anderson, David Delong, Dean Upcraft, Deb McCoy, David Hubbard, Diane Sullivan, Dick Wilson, Elin McGruder, Esther Granger, Gerald Cole, Janice & Ken Gregory, Jeremy Spencer, Jim Scott, Jim Sheldon, Johanna Delong, Joni D-Z, Karen Grover, Karin Parkhurst, Kim, Kurt Bessel & family, Lindsay, Lisa Buske, Mose Zook, Nathan Anderson, Nicholas Mastroleo, Pete Myles, Peggy Feeney, Rachelle, Robby & his family, Robert, Roger Delong, Scott, Sister Ann Hogan, TJ, Tim Keller, Tim Mack, Tom Henry, Tyler Mills and safe travels for those people going south for a few months.

### Visitation Suggestion Box:

Today you will find a “visitation suggestion box” in the Narthex. If you know of someone who would enjoy a visit from a church member, please put their name and contact information on a card provided and put the card in the “visitation box”. More details in announcement

### Sunday School:

Sunday School will be conducted following the Children’s message. All children are welcome.

### Thank you!

Thank you to Lisa Spencer and her “church newsletter staff” for putting out another thorough quarterly newsletter with information about recent church activities and as well as upcoming activities for our members to be involved in. Let Pastor Brandin know if you did not receive a newsletter either by email or in the general mail.

### Blessing Box:

**Our focus in the new year** is food ministries, especially keeping the pantry stocked for the Blessing Box. The pantry’s stock is in need of replenishment; Outreach is purchasing some of the basics: canned meals, cereal, pasta/pasta sauce, peanut butter, shelf stable milk, tuna fish, toilet paper, and feminine products (other items as well).

We do need your help, though, and as January is both National Soup and Oatmeal month, we encourage you to bring some soup and/or instant oatmeal to church to help fill the pantry. We have moved the basket to the Narthex. Of course, all donations are appreciated (cereal, cereal, cereal). On behalf of Outreach, thank you. Carol.

### “Fresh Expressions of the Rural Church” Book Study:

This book study will be changing to a read on your own with weekly learning point prompts by text group. We will then join together in person to discuss the book later in February. You can still join this group if you would like to. Books are available on Amazon for \$15.47 for the paperback and \$9.99 for kindle. If one is unable to purchase the book but would like to attend, please let Pastor Brandin know; he will help with this opportunity.

\*Keep your eyes open for a Lenten study to be held at both churches during lent. “An Unlikely Lent” by Rachel Billups.

**January Events!****Choir Rehearsal:**

Wednesday, January 28, 2026 @ 5 pm. All are welcome!

**Confirmation Class:**

Sunday, January 25, 2026 – The Confirmation Class has been cancelled for today.

**Church Growth Meeting:**

Sunday, January 25, 2026 – There will be a Church Growth meeting in the sanctuary right after the worship service. At this meeting, the committee will be “Brain-storming” ideas for the coming year. New members are always welcome.

**Coming Up in February!****Have A Heart:**

February 1<sup>st</sup> and February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026 – Our annual “Have a Heart Program” will begin for 2026. A wire tree branch laden with red paper hearts will be in the sanctuary. On each paper heart is the name and contact information for a person who would love to receive a card or phone call from you...even a personal visit during the month of February. Some people are shut-ins, live alone, have recently moved away, or may have medical problems. Please take a heart and make contact with the person whose name is on the heart. Many of the persons named will be from the names put in the special “visitation box” located in the Narthex.

**Admin Council:**

Wednesday, February 4, 2026 @ 6 pm

**Open Mic Night:**

Thursday, February 12, 2026 from 6 – 8 pm – Sign-up is from 6 – 6:30. Entertainment starts at 6:30. Come and see what talents your friends (and possibly, you) have.

**Upper Room:**

The January-February Upper Room publication is in the Narthex. Please take one and read for your daily devotionals. Compliments of the Growth group.

**Pocket Crosses:**

Pocket Crosses have been made by Mary Grants and Mary Smith. The pocket crosses are on a table in the Narthex. Please take one, compliment 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.

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