

## **Announcements**

### **Prayer List:**

Our Church, Family of Esther Granger, Adelma & Paul Carter, Brenda Hotchkiss, Chuck Parkhurst, Connie Smith, Dan Hauswirth, David Anderson, David DeLong, David Hubbard, Holly Fadora, Janice & Ken Gregory, Jason, Jim & Elaine DeLong, Joan Southwell, Johanna DeLong, Jonita DeLong, Justine, Karen Mack, Kate and Cathy Clark-Mayo, Mary Matteson Babbitt, Millie Wallace, Robby & his family, our Sunday School & Teachers, and young adults starting college for the first time.

### **Coffee with the Pastor:**

2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of every month at 9 am at Books and Brew on Main Street, Mexico.

### **Christmas in Mexico:**

Saturday, December 5, 2026 – A kitchen supervisor is needed during our craft show. See Sue Morton if interested.

### **Interested in Cake Decorating?**

There has been a suggestion / request for a class on cake decorating. If you would like to participate, contact Sue Morton. Date and time for the class is TBD.

### **Chili & Coat Giveaway:**

It's that time of year again. The Chili and coat giveaway will be November 7<sup>th</sup>. The Men's club is collecting coats. There is a collection box in the Narthex to put your gently used coats into.

### **Chase Parker is College bound!**

If you would like to mail a card to Chase, his mailing address is: 11 Vincentian Drive, PO Box 1154, Niagara University, NY 14109

### **Puzzles! Puzzles! Puzzles!**

Fall is here! The apples are plentiful and just ripe for picking. After a day spent in the orchard or making your "world famous" applesauce or pie, it's time to settle down with a beautiful fall-themed puzzle and some cider. There are several puzzles available to borrow. Take one home today!

## **Outreach Happenings!**

### **Blessing Box**

As we transition to cooler weather, the Blessing Box still needs our regular staples such as bottled water, cereal, pasta/pasta sauce, peanut butter, and personal hygiene products. However, if cool enough, please consider purchasing some butter/margarine, eggs, milk and/or cheese and just place it in the box when passing through town - again, only if cooler temperatures are happening.

October is also national apple, pumpkin, corn, chili, pizza, and dental hygiene month; we welcome canned and boxed items connected to these themes: think applesauce, pumpkin seeds, cornbread mix, beans, sauces, pepperoni, toothpaste/toothbrushes/dental floss.

### **Red Bird Mission**

Established in 1921, Red Bird serves those living in southeastern Kentucky; an isolated, rural distressed area plagued by chronic poverty, poor housing, and challenging mountainous terrain.

We are coordinating with Endwell United Methodist Church's annual transportation of shoeboxes to Beverly, Kentucky by providing much needed NEW linens: towels, wash cloths, twin and double sheets, blankets, and pillows. Look for the box in the corner of the narthex labeled Red Bird Linens. Thank you in advance for supporting our southern Appalachian neighbors; the last day to bring in items is Sunday, November 1 so we can get the collection to Endwell that week.

**Deodorant Collection**

Approximately 120 deodorant sticks, sprays, and wipes were collected in July; half brought to the food pantry and other half in the BB pantry.

*On behalf of Outreach, thank you for all you do, all you are, and the tremendous love you show for humankind.*

**October is here!**

**Ad Council:**

Wednesday, October 7, 2026 at 6 pm.

**OCC Meeting:**

Thursday, October 8, 2026 from 10 – 12: OCC meeting upstairs to continue making sewing kits for girls ages 10 – 14.

**Open Mic Night:**

Thursday, October 8, 2026 @ 6 pm. – Performers can sign up from 6 – 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Come and enjoy the talents of our members and community members. Refreshments are available. Please bring a non-perishable food item for the Blessing Box.

**Celebration of Life:**

Sunday, October 11, 2026 – After the Worship Service today, there will be a memorial service for Esther Granger. Everyone is welcome to stay.

**Shoebox Packing Party Set Up:**

Friday, October 16, 2026 from 5 – 8 pm – Set up tables with items for filling shoeboxes in the Fellowship Hall.

**Shoebox Packing Party:**

Saturday, October 17, 2026 from 10 – 12 – Everyone is invited to the Fellowship Hall to help pack the boxes.

**Faith on the Trail:**

Saturday, October 24, 2026 @ 9 am – This is the last hiking fellowship group planned this year. Everyone is welcome to participate. Participants will meet at Green Lakes State Park.

**Roast Pork Dinner:**

Saturday, October 24, 2026

**Upper Room:**

The September-October 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.

**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 |
|               | Thursday | Lycoming | On Call    |           | On Call  |
|               | Friday   | Mexico   | 9am – 12pm |           |          |
|               | Saturday | Off      |            |           |          |

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