Announcements

Prayer List:

Our Church, Family Ed Lighthall, 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, Ed Lighthall, Gerald Cole, Janice & Ken Gregory, Jean Irwin, Jeremy Spencer, Jim Scott, Jim Sheldon, Joan Phelps, Johanna Delong, Karen Grover, Karin Parkhurst, Kim – beginning chemo, Kurt Bessel & family (prayers for his daughter, Sky – fighting cancer), Lindsay, Lisa Buske, Mary Loysen, Mose Zook, Nathan Anderson, Pete Myles, Peggy Feeney, Rachelle, Robby & his family, Robert, Roger Delong, Scott, Sister Ann Hogan, TJ, Tim Mack, Tom Henry, Tyler Mills, and safe travels for members travelling south for the winter.

Sunday School:

We are doing a 10-week series on Creation. Lisa Spencer is temporarily leading Sunday School, however, we are looking for more teachers. Please see Pastor Brandin if you would like to teach.

Halloween Candy Distribution:

Thank you to all who donated candy and/or helped last Sunday to "bag" the donated wrapped Halloween candy we gave away to local children in front of our church on Halloween night.

Advent Candle:

There is a form in the bulletin to sponsor an Advent Candle in memory of or in honor of a treasured friend or relative. If interested in "lighting up our church building for the Advent Season", please return this form with a check made out to the church for \$15.00 per candle sponsored. All sponsored candles will be "lit" on November 30, 2025 – the first day of Advent.

Blessing Box:

We appreciate any and all donations; please consider purchasing the following items as we broach cooler days.

- Canned goods: chili, meats, soups, stews, tuna
- Apple and Corn food items: applesauce, corn muffin mix
- Cereal, peanut butter, jelly

Thank you for supporting the Blessing Box.

November Happenings!

Pillowcase Dressmaking Workshop:

Wednesday, November 5, 2025 from 11 - 1 - One more pillowcase dressmaking workshop will be held. We have a grand total of 60 dresses (small, medium, large) to put in Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. WE will finish up pillowcase dresses and make sewing kits. Bring any medicine containers you can donate.

Choir Rehearsal:

Wednesday, November 5, 2025 @ 5 pm - No Choir Rehearsal.

"Fresh Expressions of the Rural Church" Book Study:

Friday, November 7, 2025 @ 6 pm @ the Mexico Public Library – 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.

Charge Conference:

Saturday, November 8, 2025 from 9:30 – 11:30 – The Charge Conference is held at the Fulton First Methodist Church.

Shoebox packing Party:

Sunday, November 9, 2025 – There will be a packing party in the Fellowship Hall during the coffee hour. If you have been packing a shoebox at home, please bring it in to be counted. Missing a few items? Look on the tables next Sunday in the Fellowship Hall and take an item to complete your box. If your box is for a girl, feel free to insert one of the size appropriate pillowcase dresses into your box. We have a grand total of 60 dresses (small, medium, large) to put in Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. If your box is designated for a boy, please pick out a size appropriate tie dye shirt. (Donna Hooge made 40!) When packing a shoebox, please include a "wow" item, school supplies and personal care items. The week of November 17 – 24th all filled shoeboxes from our church will travel to a collection site in Oswego, then on to a Samaritan Purse distribution site in either Baltimore, MD or Boone, NC – their last stop before being shipped overseas to a needy child.

Ad Council Meeting:

Meeting Date Changed Wednesday, November 12, 2025 @ 6 pm.

Open Mic Night:

Thursday, November 13, 2025 from 6 – 8 pm – Sign-up is from 6 – 6:30. Entertainment starts at 6:30. First Open Mic Night of the Fall Season. If you have a vocal or instrumental talent you wish to share, this is your opportunity. Fun and fellowship plus snacks in our Fellowship Hall.

Confirmation Class:

Sunday, November 16, 2025 after worship from 12:30 – 1:30 - There will be a Confirmation Class for children ages 12 – 18 years.

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Collection:

November 17 - 24 – National Collection week for the Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. Bring in your filled shoebox or help at the church-wide packing party prior to that week.

Thanksgiving:

Thursday, November 27, 2025 – A day to thank God for our many blessings.

First Sunday of Advent:

Sunday, November 30, 2025 – Our sponsored candles will be lit showing that God will light our way in the darkness.

Coming in December

Christmas in Mexico Craft Show in the Fellowship Hall:

Saturday, December 6, 2025 from 9 – 3 pm – Many volunteers are needed. More information to follow.

Red Cross:

Wednesday, December 10, 2025 from 8 - 3

Merry Christmas!:

Thursday, December 25, 2025

Puzzles, Puzzles:

The puzzles have been switched out for beautiful fall scenes. Please feel free to borrow a puzzle.

Upper Room:

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

Pocket Crosses:

New Pocket Crosses have been made by Mary Grants and Mary Smith. They will be on a table in the Narthex. Please take one, compliments of the Growth group.

Wednesday Lycoming

On Call

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

Email Chuck Parker with anything you wish to include on the website. aparker@twcny.rr.com

Bulletin Items:

To submit items for the bulletin, please email your information to fumcmexico@gmail.com by Thursday.

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