

Upper Room:

The July-August 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.

Prayer Chain:

Please contact Flora Kugler at 315-551-0527.

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.

To Contact Pastor Brandin Greco

Pastoral Emergencies – 315-378-7963

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 – July 7, 2024

Prayer List:

Our Church, Family of Linda Salley, Ron & Linda Buckley, Barb Lindovski, Janice & Ken Gregory, Sharon Miller, Melissa Johnson, Joan Monroe, Connie Main, Esther Granger, Mary Mack, Finn, Rachelle, Mary Baratier, Anne Hogan, Jean Irwin, Carol Watros and Mom, Carol White, Jessica, Bob Green, Vicky N, Pat F, Easton & Brynleigh, David Hubbard, Jennifer Spaulding, Pastor Bill & Family, Fran, David Delong, Roger Delong, Diane Morrison, Steve Chapman, Joan Phelps, Diane Sullivan, Donna Hooge, and Brothers and Sisters in the Middle East.

July Blessing Box:

Wow, hard to believe we are in the midst of summer; seems like we were just reaching out to you with 'winter guidelines' ensuring nothing placed in the Blessing Box can freeze. So here we are now, and as we know, summer can be equally tough for individuals/families, young, older, and yes, old. Looking to simplify our requests this month as this community very much needs our support. So, while it is National Deli Sandwich and Salad month, and you can bring anything that might fit that theme (think canned meats, condiments, boxed pasta salads), we are requesting that each week, if at all possible, each of you who are able bring in **one of the following along** with one or two bottles of water, juice, or shelf-stable milk/evaporated milk:

*Cereal

*Peanut Butter

*Pasta, pasta sauce, canned pasta or macaroni and cheese (boxed or packaged ready to eat)

*Hygiene item (toilet paper, soap, deodorant, shampoo, toothpaste, diapers, diaper wipes)

As always, all donations are welcome – just need to ensure they are not in glass containers and have not expired. On behalf of Outreach, thank you.

Baby Bottles:

Father's Day was the day the coin-filled baby bottles were due back in the church. If you still have a baby bottle, please turn it in. The coins will be counted and a total amount will soon be forthcoming.

Ad Council Meeting:

No meeting scheduled for July.

Mission Outreach Meeting:

Monday, July 8, 2024 @ 6 pm – We are meeting at 6 pm, Monday, July 8 at Barb Lighthall's house – 47 Chapman Road, Mexico, NY. We would love to have you join us. Call/text/email Carol Bradlinski-Watros (315.529.0930; cbwatros@gmail.com) if you have any questions, thoughts, ideas – please know if you join the committee, we have multiple projects but that does not mean you are committed to assisting with each of them. Thank you for considering this committee to be a part of your journey. On behalf of Outreach; Carol.

Bible Study:

Thursday, July 11, 2024 @ 6 pm – Pastor Brandin is hosting a Bible Study on the Gospel of Luke located upstairs at FUMC.

AED / CPR Training:

Saturday, July 13, 2024 - In preparation for the installation of our Automated External Defibrillator (AED), we will be offering Red Cross Certified AED/CPR classes on Saturday, July 13th. The training will be in the Church Fellowship Hall. The morning session will be at 10:00 AM and the afternoon session will be at 1:30 PM. Each session has a maximum limit of 8 participants and will be approximately 1 1/2 to 2 hours in length. The cost is \$15 (cash only, please) which covers the Red Cross card and the trainer's fees. If you are interested, please email Marcia at mja320@gmail.com. Please indicate your first and second choice of sessions. If we have more interest than the number of spaces we have available, we will put you on a wait list. Also, we may look into offering another 2 sessions later in the fall.

Church Service / Picnic at Selkirk:

Sunday, July 14, 2024 @ 11 am – The combined worship service / picnic for Mexico FUMC and Lycoming UMC will be 11 am at Selkirk at the pavilion. Grilled hamburgers and hotdogs will be provided by the Men's Club. Bring a dish to pass. As a special treat, baby Graham Gilmore is scheduled to be baptized at the worship service!

Friendship Unit Picnic:

Wednesday, July 17, 2024 @ 5:30 pm – The Friendship Unit picnic and a brief meeting will be at Dotty Parker's home. All women of the church are invited to attend.

Red Cross:

Thursday, July 18, 2024 (Drive is from 11:30 – 4:30).

Choir Rehearsal:

Wednesday, July 24, 2024 @ 6 pm - Choir Rehearsal will resume.

Vacation Bible School:

Thursday, August 8, 2024 from 9 – 3. We are hoping to have a bounce house, food truck and a dunk tank! Pastor Brandon has volunteered to be dunked!

If you can help that day and/or have a preference on what you would like to do, please let me know.

Open House Picnic at the Parsonage:

Sunday, August 11, 2024 @ 2 pm – The Greco's & Gillmore's will provide food but a dish to pass is welcome.

Church Growth Committee:

Sunday, August 18, 2024 after the service

Youth Group Camping:

Friday, August 23, 2024 – Sunday, August 25, 2024 – Youth Group Camping at Selkirk. See Jeremy or Lisa Spencer for details.

Service to our local firemen:

Thank you to those who signed last week's clipboard to volunteer time to bake and decorate cakes in our church kitchen for the Mexico Firemen to use at the Field Days July 18, 19 and 20th. This is one way we can help our firemen who give so much to us.

Methodist Quilters:

Thanks to many volunteers, the Mexico Methodist Quilters now have 50 pillowcase dresses for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes this November! Another pillowcase workshop is planned for Tuesday, July 23, 2024 from 10 – 2 pm. Come and help. Sewing experience is not necessary.

Coat Drive:

The Mens' Clubs from both Mexico and Lycoming are collecting coats of all sizes that are in good condition. Once again, coats will be given away in the fall 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.