

Announcements

Prayer List:

Our Church, Family of Joan Phelps, Family of Sharon (Dunn) Dominicos, 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.

Results from LGBTQ Poll:

Question #1- Would you accept an LGBTQ pastor to be pastor of this church? **Yes**

Question #2- Would you allow for a same sex marriage ceremony to be performed with-in this church building? **Yes**

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.

Puzzles, Puzzles, Puzzles:

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

Coming this Fall!

Confirmation Class:

There will be a Confirmation Class for children ages 12 – 18 years (October).

MISSION OUTREACH:

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.

Crayons for Kids/Operation Christmas Child:

Some of us are old enough to remember wanting a box of new crayons. I was so excited when in the 4th grade, I received my very first Crayola 64 Count Box of crayons. Many of my friends had them, and I was filled with joy to have a box filled with choices to explore, express, and emote, even though I was never very good at staying in the lines or conforming to a set of 'art rules'. I did not get any 'A's and the best my parents could hope for was 'improving'. However, this is not about

me; this is about children throughout the world living in trauma, sensory deprivation - ***a colorless world***. Wouldn't it be wonderful if every shoebox filled from our congregation had at least one box of new crayons, and perhaps two, along with a sketch pad, so that we, through the grace of God, can bring some brightness to humanity. Crayons are 50 cents a box at many stores this month; for a few dollars you can help color a child's life and so much more. A collection bin is in the narthex. On behalf of Mission Outreach. Carol

October Moments:

Halloween Candy Collection/Packing Party:

Today we will be bagging the donated wrapped Halloween candy to give away to local children in front of our church on Halloween night. Please stay after worship and help "bag" the candy. Thank you to all who donated candy.

"Fresh Expressions of the Rural Church" Book Study:

Friday, October 31, 2025 @ 6 pm @ the Mexico Public Library – **There will not be a meeting on this date.**

Choir Rehearsal:

Wednesday, October 29, 2025 @ 5 pm – New members are welcome!

Halloween Candy Distribution:

Friday, October 31, 2025 – Donated wrapped Halloween candy will be given away in front of the church building.

A Look Ahead to November:

Chili/Coat Giveaway:

Saturday, November 1, 2025 - The Men's Club continues to collect coats for the annual coat and chili giveaway to be held on Saturday, November 1st. There is a collection box in the Narthex.

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. Please take a shoebox home today and fill it with items for a boy or girl. 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:

Wednesday, November 5, 2025 @ 6 pm.

Charge Conference:

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

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.

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.

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:

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.

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.

To Contact Pastor Brandin Greco

Pastoral Emergencies – 315-378-7963

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

Marlea Munger, Office Coordinator:

Office Hrs: **Monday, 10/28/25, I will not be in the office** and Friday at 9 am.

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