

**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](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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	Tuesday	Mexico	3 – 6 pm
	Wednesday	Lycoming	On Call
	Thursday	Lycoming	On Call
	Friday	Mexico	9am – 12pm
	Saturday	Off	

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**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, Diane Sullivan, David Hubbard, 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, Mose Zook, Nathan Anderson, Pete Myles, Rachelle, Robby & his family, Robert, Roger Delong, Scott, Sharon Dominicos, Sister Ann Hogan, TJ, Tim Mack, 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.

**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:**

### **Church Growth Meeting:**

Sunday, October 12, 2025 following the worship service – The meeting will be held in the Fellowship Hall by the exit stairs.

### **Halloween Candy Collection:**

October 12th, 19th, & 26th, we will be collecting bags of wrapped Halloween candy to give away to local children in front of our church on Halloween night. Please, if you are able, bring the bags of candy to church and place them in the designated box in the Narthex. Thank you.

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

Friday, October 17, 2025 @ 6 pm @ the Mexico Public Library - Pastor Brandin encourages all those who are in growth and outreach ministries to attend but all are welcome who have a heart for their small country church and the community that surrounds it. 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 the pastor know; he will help with this opportunity. If you plan to attend, please let Pastor Brandin know.

### **Choir Rehearsal:**

Wednesday, October 15, 2025 @ 5 pm – New members are welcome!

### **Pillowcase Dressmaking Workshop:**

Wednesday, October 22, 2025 from 11 – 1 - Eleven more pillowcase dresses were made last Wednesday. These will be put in Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes to bless girls who receive them. One more workshop will be held on Wednesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. 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. Papers with suggestions of what to pack were detained in the mail and will be at our church, hopefully by next week.

### **Roast Pork Dinner:**

October 25, 2025 from 4 – 6 pm - A delicious roast pork dinner sponsored by the Men's Club will be served in the Fellowship Hall.

## **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.

### **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.