

Announcements

Prayer List:

Our Church, Family of Joan Waterbury, Cindy Stone, Lindsay, Clara, Family of Monique McDonough, Those in transition, Alissia Seeburger, Karin Parkhurst, Robby & his family, Aiko, Cathy Clark, Bob Schickling, Amanda Russell, Jeremy Spencer, Skip Hall, Dana New, David Delong, Tiffany Jones, Barb Sheldon, Jim Sheldon, Joe Cavalier, Karen Grover, Coleen, Lisa Buske, Diane Sullivan, Donna Hooge, Rachelle, Jewell Fultz, Flora Kugler, Sharon Dunn Dominicos, Janice & Ken Gregory, Esther Granger, Mary Baratier, David Hubbard, Pastor Bill & Family, Roger Delong, and Joan Phelps.

Blessing Box:

Continued thanks for your generosity in keeping the pantry stocked. Your support is a blessing and we hear from those obtaining items from the Blessing Box what a blessing this community staple is to them. April's food wall theme will be personal hygiene products and pantry staples of peanut butter, shelf-stable milk and cereal, though we welcome any and all donations. A reminder to bring in items that are not expired.

Easter Candy Donations Welcome:

Today is the last day to turn in donations of wrapped Easter candy for the April 19th Easter Egg Hunt at the parsonage. The candy should be wrapped and small enough to fit inside a plastic Easter Egg. There is a basket in the Narthex for the candy donations.

Fill the Ark:

Mission Outreach is providing members with the opportunity to donate to Heifer International (www.heifer.org), an organization that for 75 years has provided 36.7 million families throughout the world to build sustainable farming businesses transforming lives and communities. They believe ending poverty begins with agriculture and thus focus on farming. We will be distributing boxes for those interested in participating and encourage you to keep a box either in your vehicle or on the kitchen counter to place some spare change.

April Moments:

Palm Sunday Service:

Sunday, April 13, 2025 @ 11 am

Choir Rehearsal:

Wednesday, April 16, 2025 @ 5 pm. We are rehearsing music now for Easter! New members are welcome.

Good Friday Service @ Lycoming:

Friday, April 18, 2025 @ 7 pm

Easter Egg Hunt at the Parsonage:

Saturday, April 19, 2025 @ 10 am. Come and enjoy the fun. Many fun activities are planned. A visit from the Easter Bunny is planned along with many other fun activities.

Easter Sunday Service:

Sunday, April 20, 2025. New members from the membership class will be confirmed. All are welcome to add a potted spring flower to our Easter Sunday display. You may drop it off in the church kitchen on Wednesday, April 16th between 3 and 6 pm, bring them Easter morning or contact Marcia at 315-289-7241.

Looking Ahead to May:**Upcoming Women's One Hour, 6 Week Bible Study Series:**

Thursday's @ 5 pm in the Upstairs Small Group Room

starting May 1st through June 12th (no class May 22nd). It is by Jennifer Coward titled, "Messy People: Life Lessons from Imperfect Biblical Heroes".

From the author: "Together we will examine the stories of five wonderful but messy people and one messy parable character: Rahab, the Prodigal Son, Josiah, Mary, David, and Daniel. From their stories, we will learn how God can use broken people, restore damaged hearts and relationships, give us power to handle our critics, and help us deal with the hard moments of life. Along the way we'll discover that we don't have to just endure messy lives but can actually learn to thrive with God's guidance and help. In the hands of God, our messes can become His masterpieces!"

Please contact Marcia Albrecht, either after worship service or at mja320@gmail.com by Sunday April 20th for further information or to order the Study Guide at a cost of \$12.

Run for the Roses and then a Murder at the Derby Party:

Saturday, May 3, 2025 @ 6:30 pm. And we are off and running to our second interactive dinner theatre! Come help us find the culprit while enjoying a southern themed meal including salad, entrees, dessert and beverages and engaging in some 'derby fun' with contests, selfie stations, and entertainment provided by Donna Leigh Aaserud, a locally talented writer and director of this show. Selected guests will read their scripts while the audience uses their deductive skills to try and solve the 'murder'. Doors open at 6 pm with dinner being served at 6:30. Tickets are limited, pre-sale only and \$40 per person. To purchase tickets, call Donna at 315.907.8713 or contact anyone from the Outreach committee (Lori Behling, Barb Lighthall, Sue Morton, Kathy Rose, Carol Bradlinski-Watros). Proceeds will be used to support mission outreach projects. Also, we would appreciate anyone who can assist us with a bit of your time in either cooking, set-up/clean-up, promoting the event, and other activities associated with this endeavor.

Open Mic Night:

Thursday, May 8, 2025 from 6 – 8 pm – Sign-ups for performers start at 6 pm; entertainment at 6:30 pm. All are welcome. Refreshments will be available. This will be the last Open Mic Night before a break for the summer. Open Mic Night will resume in September. Come and join the fun!

Upper Room:

The March - April 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.

Puzzles! Puzzles! Puzzles!:

Tired of the snow & cold? Check out the jigsaw puzzles in the Fellowship Hall. They are the spring and summer ones!

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

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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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