

### **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:**

Pocket Crosses have been made by Mary Grants and Mary Smith. The pocket crosses are on a table in the Narthex. Please take one, compliment 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.

### **To Contact Pastor Brandin Greco**

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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, David Hubbard, Diane Sullivan, Dick Wilson, Elin McGruder, Esther Granger, Gerald Cole, Janice & Ken Gregory, Jean Irwin, Jeremy Spencer, Jim Scott, Jim Sheldon, Johanna Delong, Karen Grover, Karin Parkhurst, Kim – beginning chemo, Kurt Bessel & family, Lindsay, Lisa Buske, Mary Loysen, Mose Zook, Nathan Anderson, Pete Myles, Peggy Feeney, Rachelle, Rick Sherman, Robby & his family, Robert, Roger Delong, Scott, Sister Ann Hogan, TJ, Tim Mack, Tom Henry, Tyler Mills and the country of Jamaica.

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

**This book study has been postponed until January 16, 2026.** The meeting place is to be determined. 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.

#### **Sunday School:**

Sunday School for children will begin after the Children’s Message.

#### **November Happenings!**

##### **Confirmation Class:**

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

##### **First Sunday of Advent:**

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

### **Blessing Box for the Holiday Season:**

As we prepare for Advent, we invite you to partake in filling a bag, basket, bin or box with items to help fill the Blessing Box pantry. Given the current food insecurity challenges for many of our neighbors, the 'Reverse Advent Calendar' collection is starting now to ensure we are well stocked prior to December 25th. Here are some suggested items - but certainly not all inclusive. Thank you in advance for supporting the Blessing Box.

A - Applesauce, Apple juice, Apple pie (individual package)  
B - Baby Items, Bacon Bits, Beans  
C - Cereal, Condiments, Crackers  
D - Dairy, Dill Pickles, Dream Whip  
E - Eggs (dried), Elbow Macaroni, Enchilada Items  
F - Fruit (canned, pre-packaged), Flour, Flapjacks  
G - Gluten-Free Foods, Gravy, Graham Crackers.  
H - Honey, Hot Chocolate, Hygiene Products  
I - Italian Dressing, Instant Coffee, Instant Oatmeal  
J - Jelly/Jam, Jerky, Juice  
K - Kidney Beans, Kix Cereal, Kraft Dinner Mixes (of store brand)  
L - Lemonade, Life Cereal, Linguini  
M - Meat (pre-packaged), Milk (shelf stable, evaporated, dried), Mushrooms (canned)  
N - Noodles, Nuts, Nacho Chips  
O - Oatmeal, Oil (cooking spray), Oyster Crackers  
P - Pancake mix, Protein Foods/Drinks, Peanut Butter  
Q - Quick Oats, Quick Dinner Kits, (Quesadilla Wraps  
R - Raisins, Refried Beans, Rice  
S - Sauces, Soups, Spices  
T - Tea, Tomatoes (canned), Tuna Fish (Extra Christmas Sweets: Twinkies, Twizzlers and Treats)  
U - Useful Household Items (sponges, cleaning products, detergent)  
V - Vegetables (canned), Vinegar  
W - Water, Walnuts, Wipes  
X, Y, Z - 3 items which bring you joy ...

### **Coming in December**

#### **Choir Rehearsal:**

Wednesday, December 3, 2025 @ 5 pm.

#### **Chrismon Service:**

Wednesday, December 3, 2026 @ 6 pm – A service of Scripture and Hymns celebrating the life of Christ, his teachings, life, death, and resurrection, as described in Christian scripture. Chrismons, meaning “Christ monograms,” traditionally are white and gold designs made from Christian symbols that signify Christ, his story and of the Holy Trinity. The white color in Chrismons is the liturgical color of Christmas and Easter that signifies joy and holiness. The gold represents the glory, majesty and kingship of Jesus. Anyone wishing to help with the reading of Scripture, please contact Pastor Brandin or Marcia Albrecht.

#### **Christmas in Mexico Craft Show in the Fellowship Hall:**

Saturday, December 6, 2025 from 9 – 3 pm – Many volunteers are needed. Please sign up today to help on a circulating clipboard.

#### **Heart of the Barn Creations Paint Class:**

Tuesday, December 9, 2026 @ 5:30 pm. See bulletin insert for details.

#### **Red Cross:**

Wednesday, December 10, 2025 from 8 – 3

#### **Open Mic Night:**

Thursday, December 11, 2025 from 6 – 8 pm – Sign-up is from 6 – 6:30. Entertainment starts at 6:30. 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.

#### **The Longest Night Service:**

Sunday, December 21, 2025 @ 7 pm

#### **Merry Christmas!:**

Thursday, December 25, 2025