Endwell United Methodist Church

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Mission: To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

From the Pastor's heart,

As I was deciding what I wanted to share this month, I was reminded of an experience I had with a church member of a previous appointment. The person stopped by my office with a deep look of concern while holding the newsletter. They asked if we could talk and the conversation began by asking me, "Why is it that every newsletter is always asking for money?" You know what? *The person was 100% spot on and absolutely correct!* That particular month we were responding to a national disaster and assistance with an upcoming building repair.

I then asked them to open the newsletter with me in the hope to change their paradigm. The person was a faithful member and at one time promised to uphold the church with their prayers, their presence their gifts and their service. (This was before "their witness" was added which is dating this story). I took them through how many times the newsletter was asking for **prayers**. They always published a prayer list of several dozen family and friends along with several present crisis situations that needed our prayers. We then looked at the many requests for their **presence** which included worship, Sunday school, committee meetings, bible study/small groups, and fundraisers, United Methodist Men/Women, building maintenance projects along with District and Conference opportunities. We then reviewed all the ways we were asking people to **serve** which extended to their food pantry, work with the Council of Churches, CROP ministries, ARISE, Samaritan's Purse, Community Garden, Operation Christmas child, Food Sense program, Vacation Bible school, Summer Camp and the Preschool.

Our time together identified (2) realities that I believe are still true today; yes, the request for funding the Ministry Plan is constant and important but secondly, it pales in comparison to the myriad of ways your church request your prayers, your presence and your service.

February Communion Offering



As we gather to celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion on Sunday, February 6th, our special communion offering will help offset our heating expenses during this very cold winter. Special "Heating" envelopes are included if you have received 2022 offering envelopes and we have also attached a communion envelope to this newsletter for your convenience. Our Ministry Plan has projected a minimum goal of \$2,000.00 for this offering. Our vision is to begin the New Year with giving outpacing our expenditures and this offering will help in this aspiration.



Children's Ministry Mission Inspiring children to be rooted in God's love, laugh often, and walk in the footsteps of Jesus.



Children's Church for kids Pre-K -5th grades is held each Sunday following the children's sermon from 9:45-10:30. If your child is not able to attend this exciting adventure, with music, videos crafts, snacks and games, you can access this fun program by going to <u>www.rootedateumc.org/childrenschurch</u>



Saplings Children's Choir for kids in K-5th grade rehearse on Sunday mornings at 9:10 am in the children's choir room. Children are rehearsing **L-O-V-E Love** to be presented in worship on Sun. Feb. 13th for Valentine's Day! Please go to <u>www.rootedateumc.org/childrenschoir</u> to practice at home.

TWIGS Teens Walking In Gods Spirit



A Big thanks to all those who support Liam's Lift - more than \$2,800 was raised

"There are truthfully no words appropriate enough to explain how blown away we are by all of the donations! The kindness, generosity, and compassion that has been shown to our family has been enough to bring us to tears. To the "Ramp It Up" team, and to all who have shared our story and donated towards Liam's lift: we cannot thank you all enough!" Megan Fabrizi – Liam's mom



Super Bowl of Caring is on Sunday Feb. 13th – we are looking

for people to sign up to donate a crock pot of soup. Soup will be served following worship for takeout by the TWIGS Youth group. All donations will go toward the **"Rise Against Hunger"** Meal packing program on May 14th.

Please see Lynne or Dave if you would like to donate a pot of soup. Thanks

Trustees News

The Trustees remind everyone to please watch for icy spots in the parking lot. The lot is usually salted but due to dips in the lot ice builds up.

The Trustees are looking for volunteers to help around the Church. If you have some free time during the week consider volunteering to help keep our Church safe and clean.

As of mid January we are using the large snow blower mounted on the tractor to do snow removal. We are also trying to cut back on the use of rock salt to help preserve the parking lot

Monday Night Dinners

The number of take out meals served on Monday night is still close to 300. We are in need of several individuals to act as subdrivers to help deliver meals to our shut-ins. If you would be willing to be on call to help, please let Elsa Bingel know. Our drivers not only deliver a hot meal, but check on them to make sure that they are ok and to see if they need anything else from the Church.

The Monday Night Dinner team would like to thank the following business for supporting our need to purchase eco friendly take out containers: Allen Memorial Funeral Home Glass America Mirabito Energy Products Hussar Insurance



8:30 am—11:30 am

Registration — Friday, February 4, 2022

We are always looking for more volunteers to help box up the food and to pack the cars. The mobile food pantry is usually the first Monday of the month from 8:30 to 11:30 am. We provide coffee, water and fresh hot chocolate chip cookies to everyone. The cookies are courtesy of our neighbor Shirlenn O'Brien.



February Greeters Schedule

<u>February 6</u> Anita VanWinkle Dale McGlynn

February 20 Tom Bushnell Joyce Atherton <u>February 13</u> Georgia Tamblyn Betty Jo Kasprzak

<u>February 27</u> Dave Alexander Elsa Bingel

Meet Our New Members



Alíce Andrews

Alice transfers to Endwell UMC from the Whitney Point UMC. She lived in Endwell for 66 years, in Whitney Point for 25 yrs. and has now moved back to Endwell. She has 3 daughters an 1 son. Alice enjoys gardening, knitting & baking.



Betty Lawton

Betty recently moved back to Endicott with her husband, Ron. She transfers her membership from the Chandler UMC, Chandler, AZ. She has a BA in education and taught foreign languages. Her interests are reading, line dancing and traveling. She would like to become more active and involved in events at Endwell UMC.



Marcía McManus

I grew up in Endwell during the baby boomer years, and even went to school at EUMC as a sixth grade M-E student, as there were not enough school classrooms in the District. Although now retired, I spent many years at UHS as Director of Patient Relations and then several years as a pharmaceutical representative. I was fortunate to have wonderful, loving Christian parents, and attended Boulevard United Church the whole time I was growing up. In later years I became very involved in the Walk to Emmaus

community within the UMC, and still am active with this group. I enjoy travel, French lessons, singing and Bible study and look forward to discovering ways I can serve the Body of Christ at EUMC. Currently, I reside in Binghamton, in a large apartment overlooking the Chenango River. I love watching all the wildlife, right in the middle of the city! My adult children also reside in Binghamton: Mark, who is 31 and Molly, who is 34. I am glad to have a new home here at EUMC, and appreciate the friendliness of this congregation.



Patrícía Stíllings

I was born, raised and married in the Binghamton/ Endicott area. I lived here all my life! Graduated from North High School in Binghamton and worked for IBM Owego for 25 years. I met and married my husband, Warner there and we were married for 57 years. He passed away in 2011 at 87 years of age. I moved to Good Shepherd in late 2011. I grew up in the Methodist Church at Nimmonsburg. When we moved to Endicott, my husband and I joined First Presbyterian church and were there for 50 years. I am very pleased to join Endwell UMC after "trying it out" for over a year!

"RESTORADORES" Hispanic Ministry in the Binghatmon District

A Mission of Endwell UMC Christmas in Hispanic Homes this 2021

Despite the intensity of this cold winter, the church continues to make a difference amid the Hispanic community in the Binghamton District. On December 25th, 9 children in different families received their new toys and coats with smiling faces. The gratitude of parents also enabled us the opportunity to meet other family members to show God's love during Christmas. This mission during the season of the birth of our Savior was possible thanks to the love and commitment of the members of our beloved United Methodist Church in Endwell NY.



Mission to Cuba



The Hispanic ministry and Endwell UMC gave a Christmas gift of medicines to families a bit further away, on the island of Cuba. Eighty lbs. of medicine were distributed. With the help of two pastors, they were distributed in such a way that the neighbors received either pain-killers or medicine for colds and fever as needed. This service was done during a wave of Covid-19 as well a food and medicine crisis making a big difference for many families. We are grateful for the

opportunity to serve by providing comfort and relief in the midst of the pain and segregation this virus has caused. We plan to continue sending medicine and food to this distant island where the summer last forever.



Sunday, February 13~ Souper Bowl of Caring
Tuesday, February 15 @ 6:30 pm ~ New Comer's Class
Thursday, May 5 @ 7:15 am—Lives of Commitment Breakfast
Endwell UMC TWIGS Group — Faith In Action Honorees



We are booked for a BBQ once every month thru 2022. This a great fundraiser that requires only a few hours of work and the proceeds benefit our parking lot fund. If you can help pack meals from 2:30 to 4:30 pm, please let the office know. The next BBQ is scheduled for Friday, February $18 \sim 3:00-5:00$ pm



St. Pauly Textile, Inc.

Endwell United Methodist Church

Dear Friends,

We hope this letter finds you and your families safe and warm this winter. We're happy to report that 2021 was a record year. Over *40 million* pounds of clothing were donated to our clothing sheds - that's over 200,000 pounds of clothing collected every business day!

Every clothing shed is an important part of the big picture. Here are some numbers to show you the impact your own shed made in 2021...

-55,868 pounds of clothing were donated to your shed in 2021 -This was enough to clothe an estimated 10,292 people all over the world -Based on this volume of clothing, your organization received \$2,235

Thank you so much for partnering with us on this. We truly appreciate all the support you continue to give to the clothing shed program!

Sincerely, The Team at St. Pauly Textile, Inc.

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