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 we live into the last full month of summer and prepare for the joy of fall ahead, your **Lay Leadership/ Nominations team** (Lois Blight, Linda Peterson, Jody Butts, Mark Miner, Rhonda Emmons) will begin to format our leadership teams for 2024. Please pray for their work and for those who will feel God's call to step forward and lead.

Below are the preliminary openings and ministry descriptions:

At-Large member of Administrative Council – Full voice and vote. A wonderful position, which offers a broad overview of the ministry. (No limit of members)

Trustees – Responsible for the physical plant including maintenance, repairs and capital improvements. Reviewing our liability insurance annually. Trustees are not responsible to do the work but only see that work is completed. (3 positions are open)

Staff/Parish Relations – The liaison between church staff and congregation. This team equips, empowers, supports and evaluates the paid staff. (3 positions are open)

Finance - Develops our annual ministry plan/budget, assesses our income/expenditures monthly, and reports the financial status to the congregation. (1 position open)

Grove Mission Team – Meet monthly to discern, plan, implement local and global missions, and outreach. Thinking outside of the box is encouraged! (No limit of members)

Camping – This new team, in 2024 will promote, assist and empower our children and youth to attend summer camp. (No limit of members)

College – Promote, collect, pack, send care packages to our college students during final exams, 2x's/yr. (No limit of members)

Lay Leadership - The team that puts this report together annually usually gathers from September-October and during the year as needed. A position that requires knowing our members and their gifts for ministry. (6 positions open)

Please pray for where God might be calling you. If you have questions regarding any of these openings please see Pastor Mark personally. Each team is a blessing but needs faithful disciples to be all that God calls them to be. Is that you?

Advent in August Offering

Attached to your August Newsletter is our annual Advent in August offering envelope, a tradition we launched several years ago to lessen the financial requests over the holidays. **Yes, it is in the form of a Communion envelope as the Advent envelopes are backordered.** This vital offering allows us to enter the fall with financial stability. Please give generously throughout August, as envelopes are available in the office, Welcome Center and pews through August. In advance, I thank you for your extravagant generosity!

Caravan of Hope

Last year we collaborated with Trinity UMC in Hackettstown, NJ and provided notes of encouragement and love to those receiving over 5,000 meals in a daylong meal delivery ministry. Over 20 people participated as we wrote 500 notes on 3x5 cards. We are ready to launch in 2023! You can pick up as many cards as you would like at the office and be a creative and colorful as you choose. August 20th will be the cutoff so please pick up your cards ASAP, share some love and then return them to the office so we can mail them to our brothers and sisters in NJ!

Summer New Comer's Class

Wednesday, August 23rd 6:30-8:00pm

Come, meet others and explore this Vital ministry with others.....

Please call the office to reserve your spot



2023

Children's Ministry Mission

Inspiring children to be rooted in God's love, laugh often, and live like Jesus.



Children's Church for kid's Pre-K -5th grade is held during worship following the children's sermon from 10:20 – 11:00am and will resume in the fall. Children enjoy animated videos, snacks, Bible stories, crafts, experiential activities, spiritual practices, and reflection. We provide a safe place for children to ask big questions as they wonder about God and his love, care and provision. For more information on children and youth ministries visit us at www.rootedateumc.org



A Big thanks to all our Children's Church Teachers for their dedication throughout this past school year. Each week they provided a fun learning experience inspiring kids to be rooted in God's love, laugh often, and live like Jesus. Childrens Church will resume on September 10th, 2023. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please contact Lynne.



Hero Hotline VBS held July 9-13th was huge success with over 60 children in attendance and many volunteers who made this a life changing week. Based on Romans 14:19 "So let's all strive for the things that bring peace and the things that build each other up." Children enjoyed activities inspiring them to be heroes for Jesus. A Big Thanks to the entire VBS team and all those who supported this ministry. Our Kid2Kid VBS Mission for Pibbles and More Animal rescue raised \$423.53 and supplies needed to support this mission. For more information or to make a donation go to www.pmarinc.org.



TWIGS
Teens Walking
In
Gods Spirit

Our TWIGS Youth Group Mission is to engage teens in Christian values and inspire them to be rooted in God's love, to laugh often and live like Jesus. Jr. & Sr. High TWIGS YG will be led by Lynne and Pastor Mark and will resume in September. If you would like to be a part of this ministry please contact Lynne.



All our children and Youth programs will resume in the fall. Have a wonderful and safe summer!



TWIGS Bottle & Can Drive

We are still collecting returnable cans and bottles to benefit the TWIGS youth. Please put all of your glass bottles in cardboard boxes. Do not mix the glass bottles with your cans or plastic bottles. Thank you for your help.



We are presently serving over 200 take out dinners every Monday night!! The area around us is considered to be in a food desert, resulting in a high demand for food.

We continue to deliver over 40 meals to the homebound!! Along those home bounders, we not only provide them with a hot meal but we wellness check

Nonday Night Dinners also perform a on them too!!

<u>Dog and cat food</u>: We are in need of cat and dog food that can be distributed to people receiving Monday night dinners. A lot of the people receiving dinners either have cats or dogs and are in need of food for their animals. We are looking for dry food or cans of food. Please consider helping us not only feed our neighbors, but also their pets.





VINES FARM SHARE

Every Wednesday

4:00 PM-6:00 PM

SIGN UP BY GOING TO- www.vinesgarden.org



MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

Monday, August 7th 8:30 AM-11:30 AM

Through the Food Bank of the Southern Tier, we are providing over 200 boxes of food to families that register with dialing 211. This is a great opportunity for our Church to provide needed food once a month to many families.

We encourage any Church member to help out and volunteer some of their time with this mission project.....it's good for the SOUL!!!!

Grove Mission Team



EUMC Missions Committee is supporting Pastor Sean in a new ministry of our church. We are seeing a need for emergency hygiene kits in our community. We would like to collect items to fill these kits. Donations can be placed in the bin located in the entrance to the Education Wing.

Donations of:

Toothpaste , Toothbrushes , Soap , Shampoo , Deodorant , Combs & Toilet Paper

If you would rather not shop, financial contributions are welcome.



August 6

Georgia Tamblyn Betty Jo Kasprzak

August 20

Tom Bushnell Joyce Atherton

August 13

Dave Alexander Elsa Bingel

August 27

Patti Anderson Art Newcomb



Saturday, August 26 @ Endwell Greens

^{10:00am} 2023 Golf Tournament



Scholarship THANK YOU

Dear Scholarship Committee,

Thank you so much for the Rev. Jose L. Valencia Jr. scholarship. It is going to help a lot as I go to college in the fall. Thank you again. Mackenzie Dawe

Dear Endwell United Methodist Church family,

Thank you so much for awarding me the Jose Valencia scholarship. Getting this award means so much to me because I have been a part of this church my whole life! Being a part of this church makes me feel so happy and so blessed. I have really enjoyed being at this church both in the church services and at other church events. As a college student I plan to continue gong to church every Sunday, teaching Sunday school, and volunteering in other church events! I am so thankful for this church and everyone in it! Thank you again for awarding me this scholarship, it is so special to receive a scholarship from my church! Love Maria Yacovoni

Other Correspondence

Nettie Williams would like to thank TWIGS and everyone else for the cards she has received

Dear Friends at Endwell UMC Our Newark Valley Church family is praying for your church and for your missions. God bless and be with you. From all of us at Newark Valley UMC

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